

Teaching in Semester 2 (February – August 2021)

Programme – BSc (Hons) Nursing

Level of Study – Level 4

Teaching pattern in 2020-21 academic year, semester 2:

Module number	Module Name	Module Credits	Compulsory/Optional Module	Lectures	Practicals	Seminars and small group teaching	Other teaching e.g. tutorials
1993	Nursing in Context	20	Compulsory	12 weeks online lectures 9-4pm Mondays			Placement 25 th January – 7 th March 2021 Personal tutorial time 4-5pm e-learning day on Thursdays (unless on placement) and self-directed study on Fridays (unless on placement)
1994	Assess, Plan, Provide and	20	Compulsory	Online 9 weeks Delivery 9-5pm	3 weeks practical delivery 9-5pm		Students will go out on their 2 nd placement

	Evaluate Care			(plan and evaluate care) Tuesdays	(assess and provide care simulation and skills based). Dates of practical sessions will be confirmed with the group in advance. Health Skills and Simulation Suite Students to adhere to safe distancing guidelines. Students are to wear masks and additional aprons, gloves and visors when 2m social distancing cannot be maintained for practical skills.		from 5 th July-15 th August. They will be visited by Academic Assessors and Link Tutors for progression / 1:1 tutorials in the placement setting
1995	Nursing Practice 1	20	Compulsory	Face to face Health Skills and Simulation suite – 9-5pm teaching delivery throughout the year, including when students are on placement. Wednesdays	Students to adhere to safe distancing guidelines. Students are to wear masks and additional aprons, gloves and visors when 2m social distancing cannot be maintained for practical skills.	Group tutorials 1 x month (online)	e-learning and self-directed study on Thursdays and Fridays throughout semester 2, unless on placement

Please note that hours per week are an average across term time tuition, and may vary across the weeks.

There isn't an option to request online teaching for the full semester for nursing, as the practical sessions require face to face attendance in university.

Are there any changes to the content of the course, compared with what was agreed previously?

The placements are now planned to take place in two 6-week blocks, (Jan-March and July- August) due to Covid 19. In addition, we have provided more simulation sessions into the programme and these are delivered on Wednesdays in nursing Practice 1 module which runs continuously through year 1.

Are there any changes to the assessment methods we are using?

No, as there are plans to enable practical assessments (OSCEs) as planned on site and the other module assessments are professional discussions, which can occur remotely, and assignments which will be submitted electronically.

If we have a lockdown situation so the university buildings are shut, but placements continue; virtual reality simulation scenarios will be used instead online and there will be an increased emphasis on students achieving clinical skills on their placements. Any skills that cannot be met in year one will be moved to year 2.

Are there any changes to previously advertised field trips, placements, enrichment activities or other external activities?

Placements – meetings are occurring weekly between hospital Trusts and organisations and the universities to determine the availability of placements for the two placements in this semester. Our practice learning partners are keen to place student nurses, and risk assessments of areas and self-assessments students are being conducted to ensure we can allocate students on placements as safely as possible.

When might what is set out above change?

We intend to use the teaching methods set out above during Semester 2 of the 2020-21 academic year.

At the moment we intend that teaching in the 2021-22 academic year will be a combination of on campus and face-to-face and online teaching for all students on this course, continuing to make use of our extensive online resources to supplement on-campus teaching.



However, if restrictions on movement or group size continue, we would need to continue to offer your course in a blended way, in a similar pattern to that described above. We will let you know as soon as possible if we think that is likely to happen, but decisions may need to be taken at short notice where we are obliged to act on changes to national or local advice.

If there are more severe restrictions on movement or gatherings as a result of changed government guidance (e.g. in the event of another wave of Coronavirus), teaching that is planned to be on campus may have to be moved online. In that instance your lectures, seminars and small group teaching would be online and we would postpone your practical sessions until campus teaching became possible again. Placements across Birmingham and Solihull may still occur (Jan-March and July-August), and risk assessments are being conducted to ensure that students are placed in a clinical learning environment that is appropriate to meet standards of proficiency and skills. Students will be provided an update on the placement situation frequently throughout the semester.