

# Nursing

## A-levels

A minimum tariff score of 200-240 points may be offered for 3 A-levels. A tariff score of 180 points may be offered for 2 A-levels, B/C minimum			
A-levels (A2s)	Any two/three subjects (excluding General Studies and Critical Thinking)	The following A-level combinations could be offered for 3 A-levels as follows: ACE/ADD/BCE/BC/CCC/CCD	Plus, five GCSEs at C or above including English and Mathematics (or agreed alternative) science and IT desirable.
BTEC Nationals			
Level 3 Extended Diploma BTEC ND Level 3 Diploma BTEC NC BTEC ND BTEC NC	Health-related Health-related Health-related Health-related Early Years Early Years	MMP MMP DM DM MMM DD	Plus, five GCSEs at C or above including English and Mathematics (or agreed alternative) science and IT desirable.
Other qualifications included in the Tariff			
CACHE Diploma in Childcare and Education	Level 3 (18 units)	Overall C Grade	Plus, five GCSEs at C or above including English and Mathematics (or agreed alternative) science and IT desirable.
Advanced Level	Dual Science Award	B/C	Plus, five GCSEs at C or above including English and Mathematics (or agreed alternative) science and IT desirable.
Other qualifications (not currently included in the UCAS Tariff)			
Access to Higher Education Diploma	Health and social care-related	60 credits including 48 at Level 3 and 12 at Level 2 (MMP profile).	Combined with Mathematics GCSE grade C or above, or OCN equivalent (or agreed alternative).
Access to Higher Education	Medicine and health professions	60 credits including 48 at Level 3 and 12 at Level 2 (MMP profile).	
Open University K101/DD101 or DD131 + DD132 combined	Health-related	60 Points at Level 1	Combined with Mathematics GCSE Grade C/Level 2 agreed alternative.

## Level 3 – Advanced Diploma (From 2010)

The School of Nursing and Midwifery welcomes the development of the new diploma lines. All the advanced diploma lines are accepted and Society, Health and Development is desirable. Level 3 – Advanced Diploma – 200 points including A-level at grade C or above in any subject (excluding General Studies)			
Advanced Diploma	Level 3 All diploma lines accepted but Society, Health and Development desirable. Additional and/or specialist learning (ASL) to include one A-level subject (excluding General Studies).	Plus A-level grade C or above (excluding General Studies).	Plus, five GCSEs at C or above including English and Mathematics (or agreed equivalents) Science and IT desirable. Or Level 2 Higher Diploma at C or above (including Functional Skills: English/Mathematics and ICT pass). All diploma lines accepted but Society, Health and Development desirable. Additional and/or specialist learning (ASL) to include two GCSE subjects at C or above (Science desirable).
Progression Diploma	Level 3 All diploma lines accepted but Society, Health and Development desirable.	Plus one A-level C grade subject (excluding General Studies).	Plus, five GCSEs at C or above including English and Mathematics (or agreed equivalents). Or Level 2 Higher Diploma at C or above (including Functional Skills: English/Mathematics and ICT pass). All diploma lines accepted but Society, Health and Development desirable. Additional and/or Specialist Learning to include two GCSE subjects (Science desirable).
For the full list of entry requirements, please visit our course information leaflets on the School of Nursing and Midwifery web pages, <a href="http://www.keele.ac.uk/nursingandmidwifery">www.keele.ac.uk/nursingandmidwifery</a>			

### Nursing pre-registration: entry requirements for BSc (Hons)\*

All candidates studying for qualifications covered by the UCAS Tariff will be expected to meet a Tariff score of between 200-240 points. The exact Tariff score you will be required to meet will be determined by your educational profile and your individual application.

Applicants' qualifications that are not listed will be considered on an individual basis. The School will also consider applicants who have a relevant degree, higher national diploma or other health-related higher education qualifications. In these instances, students, following negotiation with the

admissions tutor / programme lead, may be able to study at postgraduate level and exit with a registered nurse qualification and a postgraduate award.

*All applicants to pre-registration programmes will be required to meet or exceed any School of Nursing and Midwifery literacy and numeracy requirements.*

Evidence of recent study within the last five years is desirable.

International candidates who meet residency/academic requirements of UK students but whose first language is not English will need to hold IELTS (International English Language Testing System) with an overall score of 7.

In addition, we prefer applicants to have gained some experience in care (e.g. work experience while at school/college, caring for family members or voluntary work).

'Late' applications from suitable candidates will be considered if required.

Candidates are advised to apply for one specialist field and not to submit a mixed application.

The UCAS form currently caters for one nominated referee only. It is a requirement for all Nursing and Midwifery applicants applying to Keele to provide a second reference. Reference forms will be included in the interview letter for all shortlisted candidates. All references must be

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satisfactory to the University (friends, relatives or neighbours cannot be nominated as referees) and should be from a line manager/supervisor or second academic referee.

We are currently unable to consider international candidates and we have no self-funding places.

## Additional requirements

Candidates who are successful at the initial stage of selection will be required to satisfy Occupational Health clearances and an Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) check (see page 284). Candidates who have concerns about any criminal convictions, cautions and/or reprimands, however dated they may be, are strongly advised to contact the School for guidance (01782 679557). All such information will be treated in strictest confidence.

The University follows the CRB Code of Practice in these issues (see [www.crb.gov.uk](http://www.crb.gov.uk)) and can provide a copy of the Code on request. Candidates must also provide evidence of minimum residency requirements and meet English language requirements (see page 295).

## Health Foundation Year leading onto BSc (Hons)\* Nursing programmes

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| <b>B742</b> | BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing* with Health Foundation Year               |
| <b>B731</b> | BSc (Hons) Children's Nursing* with Health Foundation Year          |
| <b>B762</b> | BSc (Hons) Learning Disability Nursing* with Health Foundation Year |
| <b>B763</b> | BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing* with Health Foundation Year       |

*These programmes are designed for students who wish to study nursing but lack the necessary background qualifications for direct entry onto the main degree programme. Successful completion of the Health Foundation Year leads on to an identified three-year BSc (Hons)\* programme (four years study in total).*

Please note that fees are payable for the Health Foundation Year.

Further details can be found on page 269 or on the website at [www.keele.ac.uk/nursingandmidwifery](http://www.keele.ac.uk/nursingandmidwifery)