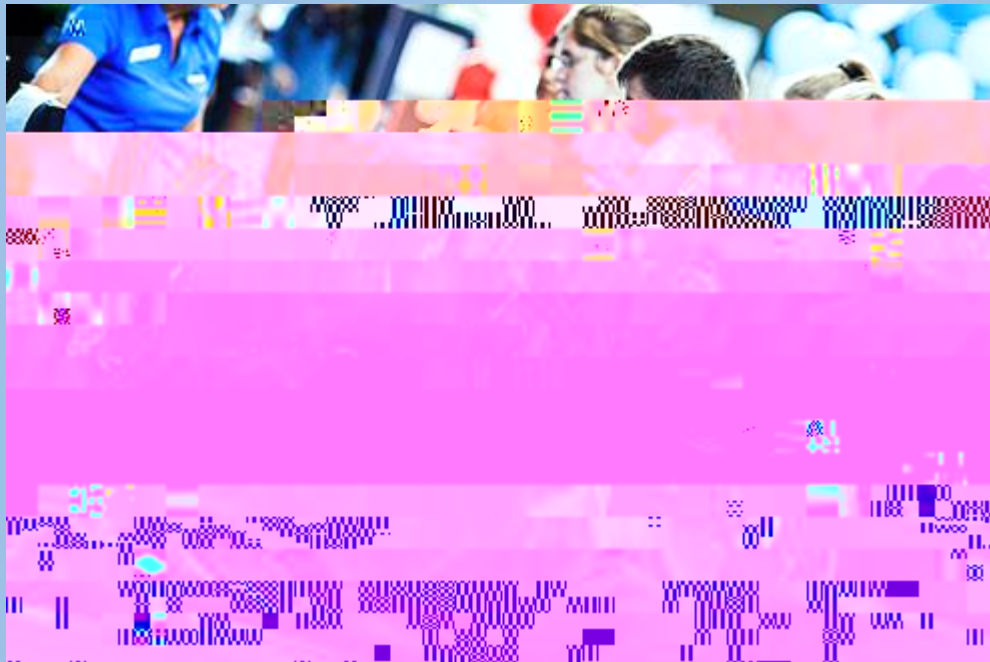




DOUGLAS COLLEGE

Faculty of Health Sciences

Academic Foundation Psychiatric Nursing / Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing / Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing Degree Completion



Information Booklet for Prospective Students

<https://www.douglascollege.ca/program/bspnur>

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to collaborate with clients and other health care professionals in promoting mental health and well-being of clients.

Upon completing the Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing Program, graduates will be able to

high-fidelity equipment, to provide safe and realistic learning experiences prior to students performing hands on care in clinical settings.

Hands on practice experiences are an integral part of the curriculum and comprise approximately one half of the total hours of study contained in the program. Clinically focused practicum experiences are offered in the following areas: acute psychiatry and tertiary mental health, medical/surgical, geriatric psychiatry, addictions, child and adolescents psychiatry, and community. Clinical experiences may be scheduled during days and/or evenings in various hospital and community agencies within the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley. Scheduled class and clinical time is approximately 30-35 hours/week. **Due to the heavy academic workload, employment during Fall and Winter semesters may impact your ability to be successful in the program.**

Notice Regarding Designated Seats:

A limited number of seats in the AFPNUR and BSPN programs are designated for Indigenous applicants who self-identify as Indigenous

- Students self identify when they apply to AFPNUR. Indigenous applicants can self-identify for the BSPN program in their last semester of AFPNUR . On Feb 1st (Sept start date) and June 1st (Winter start date). Students who self identify will be notified by admissions if there is an Indigenous seat available. Indigenous students may apply to the BSPN program during their last semester of AFPNUR courses.

There are a limited number of designated seats in the AFPNUR program for School District #43 and for other high school applicants. Students will qualify according to their GPA average if there are more applicants than seats.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR NUR

For general Douglas College admission requirements, please see [General Admission Requirements](#) on the website.

Students must meet the following minimum academic requirements for admission to the Academic Foundations for Potential Psychiatric Nursing Applicants (AFPNU) program:

English 12 or English Studies 12 or English First Peoples 12 with a minimum grade of B (or acceptable substitution*)

Biology 11 or 12 or Life Sciences 11 or Anatomy and Physiology 12 with a minimum grade of B (or acceptable substitution*)

Foundations of Math or Precalculus 11 or 12 with a minimum grade of B (or acceptable substitution*)

*In most cases, university transfer courses completed in the above subject areas can be used toward meeting the academic admission requirements for AFPNU

Students offered a seat in this cohort will receive priority registration and have earlier access to required courses.

Students may apply to the BSPN program for the Fall or Winter semester following completion of the required 30 credits of coursework. Applicants will be admitted to the BSPN program on a first qualified, first admitted basis based on seat availability. Indigenous students may apply to the BSPN program during their last semester of AFPNU courses.

If no seat offer occurs then a new application must be submitted for a following semester. If applying for a designated seat you must also reapply for the designated seat.

*A university transferable course (UT) is a course that transfers to one of the five Research universities- SFU, UBCV, UBCO, UNBC, or UVIC -according to the BC Transfer Guide.

II. NONACADEMIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Following a conditional offer of admission to the BSPN program, the applicant is required to comply with and/or provide documentation of the following:

Immunization Record A current record of immunizations consistent with the requirements of practice agencies. Details will be provided at the time the applicant is offered conditional admission to the program.

- i. Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis Vaccine Series
- ii. Polio Vaccine Series
- iii. Measles, Mumps, Rubella Vaccine Series or Serology
- iv. Varicella Vaccine Series, have had Chickenpox or Serology
- v. Hepatitis B Series

Immunizations are highly recommended for your own protection and the protection of patients and families. If you are not immunized you may not have access to clinical agencies and, subsequently, may be unable to complete required clinical courses. This could alter or prevent progression in the program.

Covid19 Vaccination Effective immediately, students will be required to submit evidence of 2 COVID-19 vaccines before a seat offer will be confirmed for entry into the BSPN program. This is a mandatory requirement.

Criminal Record Check Applicants will be required to undergo a criminal record check that satisfies the requirements of practice agencies and the professional regulatory body (British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives). Details of how to complete the C 0 0 1 126.02 324.8 Tm0 G(BSPN prog)4(ram. T)3(his)-3(is a m)-2(andatory rD eW*1 0 0 1 126.

*** Please see link to transcript guidelines <https://www.douglascollege.ca/future-students/admission-information/transcript-guidelines-applicants>

B. Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing Program

Students are admitted to the BSPN program on a first qualified, first admitted basis based on set availability.

1. Complete a Douglas College Application Form

PROGRAM DESIGN

Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing Degree Program Design with Academic Foundations Studies

Total Credits: 120.5 Credits

30 Credits Academic Foundations (Year 1) + 90.5 Credits BSPN (Years 2, 3, 4)

| Academic Foundations Required Courses Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ENGL 1130 (3) Academic Writing BIOL 1103 (3) Human Anatomy and Physiology I BIOL 1203 (3) Human Anatomy and Physiology II PSYC 1100 (3) An Introduction to Psychology I PSYC 1200 (3) An Introduction to Psychology II MATH 1160 (3) Introduction to Statistics Or PSYC 2300 (3) Data Analysis in Psychology Or BUSN 2429 Business Statistics BIOL 2401 (3) Introduction to Microbiology BIOL 2200 (3) Pathophysiology ENGL Elective (3) One Open UT Elective (3) | Semester One PNUR2101(4.5) Psychiatric Nursing Concepts I PNUR2121(1.5) Therapeutic Relations I PNUR2130(1.5) Clinical Procedures I PNUR 2170 (1.5) Trauma Informed Practices 1 PNUR2171 (3) Family Health Promotion PNUR2175(3) Psychiatric Nursing Research PHIL 3125 (3) Ethics for Psychiatric Nursing | Semester Three PNUR 301 (4.5) Psychiatric Nursing Concepts III (Episodic) PNUR 321 (1.5) Therapeutic Relations III PNUR 330 (1.5) Clinical Procedures III PNUR 3350 (3) Psychiatric Nursing Pharmacology PNUR 361 (5) Psychiatric Nursing Clinical Practice I (Episodic Health Challenges I) | Semester Five PNUR 450(3) Nursing Leadership and Management PNUR 4521 (1.5) Therapeutic Relations PNUR 4572 (3) Psychiatric Nursing Community Concepts PNUR 4573 (3) Psychiatric Nursing of Children and Adolescents PNUR4562(5) Psychiatric Nursing Clinical Practice IV (Episodic/Complex Health Challenges) |
| | Total 18 Credits | Total 15.5 credits | Total 15.5 Credits |
| | Semester Two PNUR2201(3) Psychiatric Nursing Concepts II PNUR2221(1.5) Therapeutic Relations II PNUR2230(1.5) Clinical Procedures II PNUR2261(5) Psychiatric Nursing Clinical Practice I (Serious, Persistent and Ongoing 115.98 244.16) | | |

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PSYCHIATRIC NURSING DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM

The BSPN Degree Completion Program is a part-time, online program designed for practising Registered Psychiatric Nurses (RPNs) who wish to complete their degree. The BSPN Degree Completion Program is a 33 credit program (categories one and two) that prepares students as generalists in the field of psychiatric nursing. The program combines education in advanced psychiatric nursing concepts with associated studies in Arts and Sciences. Graduates will be able to practice in various professional practice contexts from a broad perspective. In addition, the BSPN Degree Completion Program prepares students for further education such as graduate studies. The study format for the BSPN Degree Completion Program is online learning for required Psychiatric Nursing courses. Associated studies courses are taken online or in a classroom setting. Students are expected to have sufficient computer skills to manage online learning. Students are required to complete program requirements within six years of admission to the program. Students may request 1- year extension.

ADMISSION DOCUMENTS

The following documents are required for admission:

- Current practicing RPN license

- Transcripts from ALL post-secondary institutions attended

- An attestation letter from the institution that granted your Psychiatric Nursing Diploma.

The letter must indicate if any transfer credit was granted by the institution and used towards the RPN diploma, along with a listing of those courses. The letter must also state which (if any) courses on the transcript were NOT used to fulfill the requirements of the diploma.

For the BSPN Degree Completion program, [applications](#) open on October 1st for the following Fall intake and on February 1st for the following Winter intake.

For registration during 'late registration' period, please contact the Psychiatric Nursing Department for further information.

Currently RN applications are not being accepted.

Registration in PNUR courses is based on seat availability. BSPN Degree Completion Program requirements are listed for the following three categories

1. Douglas College Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Graduates from 2009 to date (Diploma Program completed in Winter 2009 semester or later)
2. Douglas College Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Graduates Prior to 2009 and Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Graduates from Other Institutions (Douglas College Diploma Program completed in Fall 2008 semester or prior)
3. Douglas College Advanced Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Program Graduates

Math Requirement

Math upgrading may be required to meet the Math pre-requisite for registration in PSYC 2300 or Math 1160 or BUSN 2429 or their equivalent.

Grade Requirement

The Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing Degree Completion Program has increased the graduation requirement grade to a C+ in all Degree Completion courses for new student admissions or re-admissions from Fall 2017 to date. Students admitted prior to Fall 2017 require a minimum C grade in all courses.

Inactive Registration:

If a student does not take a course at Douglas College for 3 consecutive semesters (i.e. Fall, Winter, and Summer) the student must reapply to the program. If the BSPN degree completion applicant is requesting re-entry into the BSPN Degree Completion Program then the Psychiatric Nursing Department must be notified @ 604-777-6406.

IMPORTANT For All Categories

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CATEGORY TWO

Douglas College Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Graduates Prior to 2009 and Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Graduates from Other Institutions (Douglas College Diploma Program completed in Fall 2008 semester or prior). **Important: It is strongly recommended that PNUR 3700 be taken prior to all other PNUR courses when beginning BSPN Degree Completion Program.**

| PNUR Required Courses <i>(no course substitutions)</i> | Credit |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| PNUR 3700 Professional Psychiatric Nursing Concepts ○ | 3 |
| PNUR 3171 Family Health Promotion in Psychiatric Nursing Practice | 3 |
| PNUR 4575 Psychiatric Nursing Research | 3 |
| PNUR Electives <i>(Two 3-credit PNUR courses, no course substitutions)</i> | Credit |
| PNUR 4573 Psychiatric Nursing of Children and Adolescents | 3 |
| PNUR 4574 Emergency Mental Health Nursing | 3 |
| PNUR 4576 Trauma Informed Practices | 3 |
| PNUR 4585 Psychiatric Nursing in Addictions and Mental Health | 3 |
| Associated Studies Required Courses | Credit |
| ENGLISH Elective (UT) | 3 |

CATEGORY THREE

Douglas College Advanced Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing Program Graduates

| PNUR Required Courses <i>(no course substitutions)</i> | Credit |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| PNUR 4575 Psychiatric Nursing Research | 3 |

Transfer Credit

Transfer credit from other educational institutions is not automatically granted. Students must request transfer credit by submitting an official transcript from the educational institution where the course was taken, along with a Douglas College Transfer Credit Request Form. For detailed and up-to-date information on transferring from one institution, to another institution, see our Transfer Your Credits page at the following link:

<https://www.douglascollege.ca/future-students/admission-information/transfer-credit/transfer-your-credits>

Detailed course outlines of courses taken at a B.C. institution may also need to be submitted before credit can be evaluated. Submission of detailed course outlines will be required for credit evaluation of courses taken outside of B.C. institutions. The Enrollment Services Office will take a minimum of six weeks to process transfer credit requests.

Note: Courses that were used to meet the graduation requirements of your Psychiatric Nursing Diploma cannot be used a second time toward graduation of the Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing. Transfer Credit is not granted for any Nursing courses.

Deadlines for submitting transfer credit requests

To ensure transfer credit is done in time for your registration, your request must be received by the following deadlines:

April 15^h for Fall Semester

September 15^h for Winter

The Learning Centre is located in:

Room: **A1040**Coquitlam Campus

Phone: **604-777-6139**

D. Counselling

Counsell

If you are looking for information on career options or advice on which career path to pursue, contact one of our [Career Counsellors](#) as listed above.

Advisors are available for one-on-one drop-in appointments, in a virtual classroom (chat) and by email for potential, new, and returning students and can answer your questions on topics including (but not limited to):

- application procedures
- admission requirements
- transfer credit information, including transferring to university and appropriate course selection at Douglas for the faculty or department you are interested in
- course and program planning, as well as information on credentials such as certificates, diplomas, associates degrees and Douglas College degrees
- information on when you can expect to graduate and the courses you need to complete your credential
- upgrading to meet the admission requirements for our programs

H. Future Students' Office

Information Sessions regarding application and registration procedures, tuition fee information, job prospects and answers to all your other questions.

Contact the Future Students' Office at **604-777-6125**

grants
 work-study programs
 *awards
 *bursaries
 *scholarships

** Students may be eligible for specific awards, bursaries, and/or scholarships. Please consult the College Catalogue or the Financial Aid Office for specific information.*

The Enrolment Services Office is located in:

Room: **A1450**
 Contact: **604-527-5478** or enrolmentservices@douglascollege.ca

K. Housing

There are no residences or on-site housing available at Douglas College. Contact the Douglas College Students' Union for information regarding off-campus housing.

The Douglas College Students' Union is located:

Room: Students' Union Kiosk in AB Atrium (next to security) Coquitlam Campus
 A1190 Coquitlam Campus
 Phone: **604-777-6257** or info@thedsu.ca

L. Transportation

Douglas College, Coquitlam Campus, is accessible via public transportation and Skytrain (refer to Translink). All psychiatric nursing classroom learning is at the Coquitlam Campus.

Contact the Douglas Student Union Office for additional information regarding bus passes, maps, and student discounts at **604-777-6257** or info@thedsu.ca

Bachelor of Science in Psychiatric Nursing Students are required to have a car or be able to independently arrange their own transportation to clinical settings each semester.

M. Parking

Limited surface and underground parking is available for students. Students are strongly encouraged to organize car-pooling.

Contact the Douglas Student Union Office for additional information regarding parking at **604-777-6257** or info@thedsu.ca

N. Student Health

All students are required to have their own health and medical/hospital insurance. Students are responsible for maintaining their own health (physical and mental health) and notifying the Year Coordinator and course instructors of any changes in their health status that could interfere with their ability to carry out the required activities of the program and/or jeopardize their own personal safety or the safety of clients.

There is no student health services office at Douglas College. For First Aid Assistance, students need to contact Security located on the main floor in the Atrium, Coquitlam Campus.

O. Douglas Students' Union (DSU)

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