



BSc (Hons) in Applied Nursing Science could give you the best returns in your life

> *Passport to a Nursing career in the UK*

Singapore, 4 May 2005 – According to national statistics (31 March 2005) of UK, the population of England and Wales is ageing. That is one reason that led the nation in creating jobs, many in the health care industry.

'The UK is experiencing a nursing shortage. Nurses will find a high use of agency and internationally recruited nurses. Up to 30% of nurses in London are trained outside the UK.

The UK is a varied country. There are the big cities of London, Manchester and Leeds, which are vibrant, cosmopolitan areas, and these are tempered by the rural countryside. Nurses are more likely to find work in the large cities because there are greater shortages there.

Starting salary for a qualified nurse is £16,000; average pay is about £19,000 to £20,000. Salaries go up for experienced nurses to about £29,000 to £30,000. Nurses might also get extra money, depending on where they work. Nurses in London, for example, are paid an additional £3,000. Nurses can earn more for working late shifts and night shifts. Those who work in areas that are difficult to recruit for also earn higher pay.' *

[* Source: Nursing Spectrum]

Labour shortages in hot markets, like the health care are triggering salary windfalls for the workers.

Economists consider these shortages a leading indicator of a tight labour market and have caused the need for an attractive salary scale for these workers.

Individuals who want to seek a career in the health care industry, especially in the area of nursing should seize this career opportunity. Getting an education in nursing now could be one of the investments that come with the biggest returns in your life.

'Nurses who have qualified to be nurses outside the UK need to have their qualifications registered by the Nurses and Midwives Council. The council checks to make sure those nurses' qualifications are equivalent to UK qualifications. Some nurses are asked by the council to work through a period of adaptation, which means working in an NHS or hospital setting in the UK for three to six months to become familiar with the environment before becoming registered in the UK.'

[Source: Nursing Spectrum]



At Informatics, we provide individuals with an education pathway to gain a possible nursing career in the UK. Individuals can do so by taking up the Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Applied Nursing Science awarded by Northumbria University, UK. Upon completion of the degree, nurses will be able to apply to Northumbria University to undertake an 'adaptation' module of study; this module will be approved by UK's Nursing and Midwifery Council.

For more information about the programme, please visit www.informaticsgroup.com/programmes/nursing

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About BSc (Hons) Applied Nursing Science programme with Informatics

The BSc (Hons) Applied Nursing syllabus is industry-focused on nursing and business and provides an excellent foundation to students. This programme works on the latest concepts to develop working applications of the nursing profession. Nursing students will receive skills reflecting industry demands in one of the most sought-after employment fields. Only a professionally qualified Academic is suitable to teach nursing and receiving training from highly qualified academics will incorporate learning experiences that learners can inculcate into their own working careers.

The course materials are produced directly by Northumbria University. The course – the industrial placement – is exactly the same as the accredited version available to the students on-campus. Students will be assessed at an international level, and have the same footing as those taught elsewhere, adding mobility to an international career path in Nursing.

This programme provides participants an integrated learning methodology that comprises e-Learning and local tutorials where participants can enjoy the flexibility and convenience of a modular system, incorporating elements of face-to-face tutorials. Within the limits of the course schedule outlined, participants can select some modules to do online from anywhere in the world, as long as there is Internet connectivity.

The affordability and unique integrated methodology of this programme is ideal for both full-time and part-time learners who wish to pursue a higher education.

The possible career opportunities in the private and public healthcare associations for our graduates are: Senior Staff Nurse, Specialist Clinician, Patient Relations Manager, Healthcare Consultant, Medical Affairs Quality Assurance Manager, Medical Writer and Clinics Manager.

About Northumbria University

Northumbria University is a large metropolitan university, first established as a polytechnic in 1969 and inaugurated as a university on 1 September 1992. The largely modularised curriculum is delivered to almost 22,000 students about 15,000 of who are full-time. The remainder study on a wide range of part-time and short courses.



School of Health, Community and Education Studies at Northumbria

The new School of Health, Community and Education Studies (known formerly as the Faculty of Health, Social Work and Education), brings together a comprehensive range of expertise in the caring and enabling professions. We have over 300 academic staff supporting courses and research in health, nursing, health promotion, midwifery, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, social work and social care and teacher education.

Northumbria has a teaching record that many traditional universities struggle to match in terms of the number of subjects rated excellent and the proportion of teaching assessments receiving top scores. [Source: The Sunday Times University Guide]

"Ranked 2nd in the UK for Nursing..."

[Times Good University Guide, 2005]

About Informatics Group

The Informatics Group, listed on the mainboard of the Stock Exchange of Singapore, was established in 1983, and is a multinational corporation providing lifelong learning services in information technology and business management. Informatics presently has a global network spanning more than 50 countries, offering programmes from O/A Levels (for international students) to undergraduate and postgraduate degree completions. The Company has won many awards including the Singapore Brand Awards 2002 and 2003, the Singapore Quality Class for Private Education Organisations (SQC for PEO) as well as the People Developer Standards Award. For more information, please visit <http://www.informaticsgroup.com>.

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