

# The UWI School of Nursing

## Vision of The UWI School of Nursing

*To be a dynamic force in the nursing arena of Trinidad and Tobago and the Caribbean with international collaboration that would enhance the stature of nursing education in the region. Its focus is to provide a foundation for advanced learning and graduate studies in nursing and other related fields.*

## Mission of The UWI School of Nursing

*To prepare nursing professionals for leadership in nursing education, management, clinical and other professional roles within the healthcare delivery service. Educational opportunities will be available at the undergraduate, graduate and continuing education levels in order to enhance the quality of nursing care throughout the Caribbean region.*

## Goals of The UWI School of Nursing

- To provide a post-basic programme at the undergraduate level for professional nurses in the Caribbean with Clinical Preceptorships at a variety of health care agencies
- To provide leadership and direction for the progressive development of the nursing profession of the region
- To strengthen nursing as a viable research-based academic discipline; and
- To ensure the organizational and administrative infrastructure for the sustained expansion of advanced educational programmes for nurses



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# BSc Nursing Pre Registration



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## Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Pre-Registration)

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing - Pre-Registration, (BSN Pre-Registration), is an exciting new Nursing Programme designed to prepare candidates to become Registered Nurses and be competent in providing excellent nursing care to patients.

This Programme was developed in response to the shortage of nurses in the region and need for continuing professional development of nurses, the improvement of health services and evidence-based care.

The BSN Pre-Registration Programme aims to develop knowledge, skills and clinical practice to enable students to become qualified nurses and provide exceptional quality and service to patients.

### Programme Overview

The BSN Pre-Registration targets entry level candidates who are new to the Nursing Profession. Unlike most Undergraduate Nursing Degrees, this Programme is tailored to candidates who are not Registered Nurses.

The BSN Pre-Registration is offered full time over four calendar years. The Programme utilizes a variety of teaching and learning methods including laboratory and clinical experiences. Graduates of the BSN Pre-Registration Programme will be eligible for licensure from the Nursing Council of Trinidad and Tobago to practice as professional nurses.



### Entry Requirements

Candidates must possess the following entry requirements as shown below:

#### Traditional Entry Requirements

5 CSEC (CXC) General Proficiency level subjects Grades I or II (III accepted after 1998) including:

- English
- Mathematics
- Biology/Human & Social Biology (or approved equivalent qualifications)
- Two other subjects

#### In addition to requirements above:

- Applicants must be at least 17 years of age
- Applicants must submit a medical certificate according to University Regulations
- Successful candidates are required to obtain permits as student nurses from the Nursing Council of Trinidad and Tobago



### Programme Goals

- To provide the essential components of Nursing knowledge, skills and practice to students, to prepare them to be able to deliver high quality care to different client groups
- To prepare students to develop the skills of delivering evidence-based care, to develop their career in their areas of speciality: Midwifery, Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Administrator or other, using continuous professional education, life-long learning, post graduate learning opportunities

### Aims and Objectives

- Prepare students to be eligible for registration and practice as nurses with the Nursing Council upon successful completion of the Programme
- Enable students to become nurses who will be able to deliver effective nursing practice by providing them education with particular emphasis on the application of nursing theory, the nursing process, therapeutic communication and interpersonal relationship, and a working knowledge of evidenced based nursing care
- Enable students to become graduates with knowledge, skills and attitude, who can deliver a high standard of care in all settings, demonstrating professional responsibility, accountability for the delivery of safe and competent care to individuals and groups in society
- Build a foundation for graduate study in advanced and specialized nursing, consultative practice, administration, education, research, evidence-based care among many others
- Enable students to provide evidence based care to all clients and patients groups and at the same to respect each individual rights