

Get ready for BSc(Hons) Nursing (Adult)

I hope that you are enjoying your summer holiday and are looking forward to starting at UWE Bristol. As your Programme Leaders, we warmly welcome you onto BSc(Hons) Nursing (Adult). We appreciate the last year has been challenging; we are looking forward to starting the new cohort and will be here to support you.

We have provided some information below that will help you to prepare for starting this exciting new course with us.

We look forward to meeting you.

**Mark Alder (Programme Lead), Alan Keyte (Co-Programme Lead)
Bella Ware, Denise McDowell and Alison Dinning (Professional Leads for Adult Nursing)**

Before you start

We are looking forward to welcoming you in the week commencing 8th September for Starting Block and the beginning of your programme for Year 1 students, and 1st September for Year 2 students.

If you are a student who is commencing the course in Year 2, due to accreditation of previously completed course, such as Nursing Associate or extended Foundation course, your academic year will start in the week commencing 1st September 2025.

Starting Block will help you settle into university and to help you get to know your teaching team and course mates. We will help you find your way around, get used to our systems, and practise the skills you need to make a strong start. Look out for further emails and explore the [Starting Block website](#) with more details.

Your [timetable](#) will be available to you via MYUWE (login required) once you have started the registration process. Please visit the '[Understanding your teaching timetable](#)' website to find out when your timetable will be published.

Preparing and arrival

You can find everything you need to know about registration, Starting Block and the start of teaching, on our [Preparing and Arrival](#) webpage. Take a look at our website to familiarise yourself with our facilities and services such as the [library](#), [study skills](#), [academic support](#), [health and wellbeing support](#) and much more.

Registration

Once you have satisfied all admissions requirements, we'll send you your login details for our IT systems to enable you to activate your university email account. Once your account

has been activated, you'll gain access to the [MYUWE](#) platform where you can register. You can find guidance and further information on our [Registration](#) website.

ID card - upload your photo now

We can only print your ID card if you have added your photo to [MYUWE](#). To avoid delays, upload your photo as soon as you receive your login details. For help, go to our [student card guidance](#).

How to make a successful start to your programme

Specific for your course

In previous correspondence you will have already been informed about our additional requirements which must be completed ahead of Registration and Induction:

- **Academic certificates**
- **Disclosure and Barring Service check**
- **Occupational Health clearance**

Immunisation

Please read both the [Immunisation Letter](#) and [Immunisation leaflet](#) prior to commencing your studies.

If any of these requirements are still outstanding, you must send the relevant paperwork, as instructed, as soon as possible.

Please be aware that incomplete Disclosure Barring Service and Occupational Health Checks will impact on your ability to access learning materials, attend placements and complete your registration onto your degree programme.

Placement Uniform

Details of how to order your placement uniform online will be sent to you by email soon after you start. This will include guidance to help you take accurate measurements that will be required to process your uniform order. You will also be asked to provide an address where your uniform will be delivered – please ensure that the address you provide is where you will be based when the delivery is made. Uniform deliveries will be made between late October and December. Look out for the email in your UWE email inbox and order your uniform promptly.

Engage with your programme

Start your learning and read around your subject

A key skill which is required to achieve a high level of success within your chosen programme is the ability to think critically about key issues and practices. To help you to enhance these skills and be ready to engage with your studies, you should start to read and research around your subject before you arrive. Explore the [Library](#) web pages to see the

wide range of resources available to you once you become a UWE Bristol student.

Here are some of our recommended titles / websites for you to view, to be inspired by and to understand the scope of your degree programme:

- [The Code: Professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses, midwives and nursing associates - The Nursing and Midwifery Council \(nmc.org.uk\)](#)
- [The NHS Constitution for England - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Connect with others

Find out what is going on by joining the [Adult Nursing Society Facebook](#) group and [@NursingUWE](#) Twitter account.

Take a look at the networking opportunities, charitable and social events run by [The Students' Union at UWE Bristol](#).

Be prepared

Access support

Check the information on our [Disability web pages](#) so you know what you need to do. If you need any urgent additional mobility or other support to fully access all activities during your studies, contact me as your programme leader.

Get equipped

The University has computers on all our campuses for you to use during your studies. These provide access to our core digital learning tools and any specialist software required for your course. You may have scheduled sessions in computer labs or other specialist facilities, and you will be able to use open-access PCs for self-study.

UWE Bristol licenses many specialist software packages for use on personal laptops for the duration of your course. If you're struggling to meet the financial demands of your course, please contact the [Student Money Service](#) team for advice and guidance.

See the UWE website for detailed information on [choosing your IT equipment](#) including [recommended specifications](#).

For this programme we recommend the **Core Specification**.

Specialist applications used on the course include: **Oxford Medical Software**. These applications work on **Windows and Mac** devices but not on tablets or Chromebooks.

International students

[The Global Student Support Team](#) offer information and advice to ensure you receive all the support you need to get the best from your time at UWE Bristol. They are here to help you to settle in when you first arrive at UWE Bristol and organise social events to help you to adapt to your new environment.

Who to contact if you have questions

For any questions about the course, please contact the Programme Leaders:

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Please note: this information has been provided on the assumption that you will meet the conditions of your offer and be eligible to take up your place.

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