

Master's Degree (Second Cycle) Program in Nursing

General Information

Thanks to the bilateral agreement between Institute of Science and Technology of Nevşehir Hacı Bektaş Veli University and Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University Institute of Science and Technology opened joint Master Program in Nursing Department and 20 students were taken in 2015.

3 Associated Professors and 2 Assistant Professors are employed in our department.

Aims and Objectives

Aims :

To coach students through instruction of nursing and health area information and contemporary educational methods in becoming Nursing who can fulfill occupational requirements of the health industry.

Objectives :

To become one of the best departments Nursing that follows technological developments and pursues advanced level scientific research. To train Nursing who have vocational knowledge and skills, critical thinkers, possessing leadership skills and capable of interdisciplinary collaboration and who are innovative and can produce original solutions.

Qualification Awarded

Upon successful completion of this program, students are awarded with the qualification of MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE in NURSING.

Level of Qualification

Master's Degree with thesis in NURSING is a two-year (4 semesters) program with 120 ECTS and 21 credits. The program meets the requirements both for ECTS credits and level descriptors of the "Second Cycle" degree qualifications of the Overarching Framework of European Qualifications Framework HE (QF-EHEA) and the "7th Level" qualifications of the Turkish Qualifications Framework for (TYYÇ).

Specific Admission Requirements

Admission requirements are determined in line with the regulations set by Higher Education Council of Turkey. Information on application for graduate programs and access requirements are announced on the web page of the university at the beginning of each academic year. The following requirements are applied for students:

- ✓ To have a First Cycle (BSc) degree in nursing.
- ✓ To have ALES (Entrance Exam for Academic Personnel and Postgraduate Education) with minimum score of 60 (or equivalent GRE point)
- ✓ The candidates with a Bachelor's Degree from abroad must have the certificate of equivalence from the Council of Higher Education (YOK).

- ✓ ALES score is valid for 3 years; however, after master degree is completed or the master program is ended by itself, a new ALES point for the candidates who want to apply Master program maximum one semester later is not required.
- ✓ If the graduate score is submitted with respect to 4-point system, this score must be translated to 100-point system according to the score translation table prepared by the Council of Higher Education (YOK).

Profile of the Program

Master's Degree program in nursing has been established with a vision that introducing innovative products can only be achieved by specialization in nursing area. The students also develop skills to participate in scientific activities, evaluate of knowledge and analyzes ability.

Master's Degree program in Nursing ("Second Cycle" in QF-EHEA and "7th Level" in TYYÇ) is an academically-oriented program giving access to degree and no degree research programs and professional practice demanding advanced levels of knowledge, skills and competencies.

Qualifications Framework for HE) profiles and fields of education as follows:

- ✓ ISCED Field of Education: 72 - Health
- ✓ ISCED 2011 Level: 7, Orientation (Profile): 64, Subcategory: 645, Academically-oriented "Second Cycle" degree
- ✓ Turkish Qualifications Framework for (TYYÇ). Area code:72-Health
- ✓ Turkish Qualifications Framework for (TYYÇ). 7th Level" qualifications of the Academically-oriented "Second Cycle" degree

Learning and Teaching Methods

The most frequently used instructional methods of the educational programs of Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University are given below. Programs commonly apply these methods as appropriate instructional approaches in accordance with their aims and objectives. The instructional methods applied for achieving the goal of meeting the expected learning outcomes of the Master's Degree program in nursing program at large are indicated in the section of 'program learning outcomes', and those methods utilized for individual course units are indicated in the relevant section of "description of individual course unit".

Learning and Teaching Methods

- ✓ Lecture & In-Class Activities
- ✓ Group Work
- ✓ Reading
- ✓ Assignment (Homework)
- ✓ Seminar
- ✓ Implementation/Application/Practice
- ✓ Thesis Work
- ✓ Field Study
- ✓ Report Writing

Occupational profiles of graduates with examples

Master's degree graduates work for the health industry as an nursing and manager. They can also apply to PhD programs in Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University.

Qualification Requirements and Regulations

Master's Degree program (second cycle) in nursing is awarded to students who have defended his/her thesis successfully, and have completed all the courses (120 ECTS) with at least a letter grade of CB or S in the program. For detailed information: Please see "Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University's Rules & Regulations for Graduate Education"

Access to Further Studies

Upon successful completion of this program, students may apply to doctorate (third cycle) degree program in NURSING.

Examination Regulations, Assessment and Grading

The methods applied for assessment of the achievement of the expected program learning outcomes for the entire Second Cycle program of NURSING are shown below and those for the individual course units are given in the relevant section of the course description with their contribution to the final grades.

- ✓ Mid-Term Exam
- ✓ Final Exam
- ✓ Make-up Exam
- ✓ Homework Assessment
- ✓ Presentation of Report
- ✓ Computer Based Presentation
- ✓ Presentation of Thesis

✓ Presentation of Document

Mid-term and final examinations are conducted in dates, places and times determined and announced by the University. The students' final semester grade is given by their instructors based on mid-term examination, homework evaluation, short-examinations, final examination and, if there is any other assessment results taking into account the students' compliance with attendance to the course activities. The contribution of assessment grades of the in-term activities to the final grade is 40% and that of the final exam is 60% for all the course units.

Grading:

The success of a student for each assessment (in-term and final) defined for each course unit is evaluated by the instructor. Evaluations are made over a scale of 100 points and converted to the letter grades at the end of the semester. A student is considered to be successful in a course if he/she gets one of the following grades: AA, BA, BB, CB, S, or EX. The student's academic standing is calculated in the form of a Grade Point Average (GPA) out of a scale of 4.00 and announced at the end of each semester. The total grade point of a course is obtained by multiplying the grade point by the course ECTS credit. The semester GPA is calculated by dividing the total amount of grade points of courses gained in that semester by the total amount of ECTS credits of courses taken in the semester. The yearlong courses are included in the spring semester GPA. Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) is calculated by dividing the total amount of grade points of all the courses in the curriculum to be taken by the total amount of 120 ECTS credits. For each course taken, the student is given one of the following letter grades and grade points:

Course Score	Course Grade	Grade Points
90-100	AA	4.00
85-89	BA	3.50
80-84	BB	3.00
75-79	CB	2.50
70-74	CC	2.00
65-69	DC	1.50
60-64	DD	1.00
50-59	FD	0.50
0-49	FF	00

Graduation Requirements

- Completed 120 ECTS credits with passing grades (56 ECTS credits for 7 graduate courses and 21 credits; 6 ECTS credits for a Seminar Course; 2 ECTS for thesis study; 6 ECTS credits for Special Topics Courses taken at 3 consecutive semesters, and 60 ECTS credits for Thesis Studies taken at 2 consecutive semesters).
- Prepared and defended a thesis successfully.

Mode of Study:

Master of Science Program in NURSING at Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University is a full time / face to face program.

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