FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

B. TECH: NURSING: ONCOLOGY

WHAT IS THE COURSE AIM?
This course offers registered nurses with the South African Nursing Council (SANC) as a registered professional Nurse (RPN) the opportunity to specialize in Oncology Nursing.

HOW DO I APPLY?
Contact the website: http://www.cput.ac.za for the application forms.
Application forms are also available for collection at the administrative office of CPUT.

WHEN SHOULD THE APPLICATION FORMS BE SUBMITTED?
Application forms should be submitted with R100.00 application fees preferably by 31 August 2011. Late applications should be submitted with R150.00 by 31 October 2011.

WHAT ARE THE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS?
Applicants must have a senior Certificate or an equivalent; submit proof of current registration with the following:
• SANC as a General Nurse
• Membership of a professional body for indemnity purposes e.g. DENOSA, SAMWU, NEHAWU, etc.

Please note:
• It is the responsibility of the learner to maintain both these memberships for the duration of the study period, and

Furthermore,
• All applicants must have completed their year of Community Service i.e. post-training, and
• Must provide proof of study leave from their employer.
• Each applicant must attach updated curriculum vitae to their application.
WHO DO I CONTACT REGARDING POST-BASIC NURSING AT THE HEALTH SCIENCE OFFICE?
Ms J. Adams at 021 9596183 or Ms Raquel Rayners at 021 9538644

WHO IS THE FACILITATING LECTURER?
Dr. Petro Basson. Contact details: bassonp@cput.ac.za Tel. 021 959 6494

WHAT IS THE DURATION OF THE COURSE?
The B Tech: Oncology Nursing qualification is offered as a one year full time or two-year part time programme. Full-time students have two years to complete the course and part-time students have four years to complete the course. THE COURSE IS OFFERED IN A BLOCK SYSTEM

HOW IS THE COURSE STRUCTURED?
The programme includes four subjects with the respective modules:
It is advisable to commence with the elective subjects.

Elective subjects:
Medical and Surgical Nursing 4
Oncology Nursing Science 4

Core subjects
Nursing Management 4
Professional Practice Module 1
Health Information systems Module 2
Management and Organisation Module 3

Nursing Research 1
Epidemiology Module 1
Research methods Module 2

DO I NEED TO WRITE AN ENTRANCE EXAMINATION?
No

WHEN WILL I ATTEND LECTURES?
Attendance of all the classes is compulsory.

- Should you miss a class, a formal, written apology is required and, for missing a test or exam a medical certificate is required.
• Please take note that should you miss a class, the onus will be on you to be updated on what you have missed. No additional notes will be made available for learners if they were absent from classes when the material was presented. Please ensure that you ask a fellow learner to collect any handouts that were distributed in class for you. Non-attendance will negatively impact your study achievements and therefore a 100% attendance should be aimed for. Your success will be deferred should you attend less than 80% of the scheduled lectures. An attendance register will be present at each class – please ensure that you sign it.

• Compulsory computer skills development
  Computer skills training will be offered on the first six consecutive Saturdays – dates and venues will be announced during orientation in January 2012.

• Lectures will be offered during the compulsory block sessions from 09h00 to 16h00. See below:

- Oncology
  1. 30/1 – 3/2/2012
  2. 12/3 -16/3/2012
  3. 21/5 – 25/5/2012
  4. 18/6/- 22/6/2012
  5. 13/8/2012 – 17/8/2012
  7. EXAMINATION – 30/10/2012

- Pharmacology lectures are offered on Wednesday evenings from 17h30 – 20h00.

- Research lectures are offered on these block sessions:
  1. 16 - 20 January 2012
  2. 05 - 09 March 2012
  3. 11 -15 June 2012
  4. 17 – 21 September 2012
  5. EXAMINATION. 11 October 2012

- Management lectures are offered on these block sessions:
  1. 05 – 10 February 2012
  2. 25 - 29 March 2012
  3. 13-18 May 2012
  4. 20 - 24 August 2012
  5. 21 – 24 October 2012

- 2-4 July 2012: 3-day compulsory HIV/AIDS Management course when you register for pharmacology.
WHEN DO I ATTEND PHC EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING?
Practical learning is scheduled for 3-7 September 2012 but is submitted to change.

WHAT IS THE COST OF THE COURSE?
Note: The fees are increased annually. Below are the fees for 2011.
The registration fee is R615.00.
RPL fees will be paid to the RPL office account.

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A fee of R250.00 will be charged per subject. Books may be purchased at CPUT.
Details regarding prescribed books and costs will be available at the secretary’s office
subject to increase in price.

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE IF I APPLY FOR EXEMPTION OF SUBJECTS?
• Only students who are registered may apply for exemption.
• Exemption can at most be awarded for 50% of the B.Tech programme i.e. for a
  maximum of two subjects if qualification was obtained at another institution.
• A formal written application for exemption of any subject has to be submitted to the
  Faculty Office before 24 January 2012.
• Complete the front page of the application form only.
• Applications should be accompanied by the following:
  • Receipt of payment
  • Certified copies of evidence to substantiate the application e.g. certificates,
    diplomas, transcripts and marks.
• Currently, a fee of R20.00 is required for recognition of internal subjects and R40.00 for
  recognition of subjects passed at another institution. The fees are subject to change.
• Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their applications have been submitted and
  followed up with the respective lecturers, until they have been informed that their
  applications have been approved.
• You may apply for an exemption for Management 4 if you are registered with the SANC as a Nurse Administrator and you submit your transcript and marks from the institution where you obtained the qualification.

• You may apply for Nursing Research 1 if you have written your own proposal and you provide the transcript and marks from the institution where you obtained your qualification.

WHAT IS THE QUALIFICATION THAT I WILL BE REGISTERED WITH?
After successful completion of the B. Tech.: Oncology qualification, the names of learners will be submitted to South African Nursing Council (SANC) for registration.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IN ORDER TO REGISTER WITH SANC AFTER COMPLETION OF THE QUALIFICATION?
Apply to SANC using the application form and pay the required fee for the registration of the additional qualification in Oncology Nursing. The fee was R150.00 in 2011.

The receipt for the fee for additional qualification together with the completed SANC application form must be handed in at the secretary’s office before graduation in order for your name to be forwarded to SANC. Failure to adhere could lead to a delay in registration.