



Faculty of Health, Science and Technology
Nursing Science

Syllabus

Degree Project in Nursing

Course Code: OMG007

Course Title: Degree Project in Nursing
Examensarbete i omvårdnad

Credits: 15

Degree Level: Undergraduate level

Progressive Specialisation: First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree proj. for B.A./B.Sc. (G2E)

Major Field of Study:
OMA (Nursing Science)

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Health, Science and Technology 2022-09-13, and is valid from the Spring semester 2023 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

Basic Nursing and the Nursing Profession, 30 ECTS credits, Basic Clinical Nursing, 30 ECTS credits, Nursing in Relation to Symptoms and Signs of Illness, 37.5 ECTS credits, and registration on Nursing in Emergency Situations, 7.5 ECTS credits, with at least 3.5 ECTS credits completed, Research Methods in Nursing, 7.5 ECTS credits, with at least 3.5 ECTS credits completed, and Nursing in Longterm Illness and Multimorbidity, 30 ECTS credits, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

1. identify a research problem and possible research questions that are relevant for the

professional area of the general care nurse

Competence and skills

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

2. conduct literature searches and use adequate search strategies required for the chosen research project
3. carry out data collection and data analysis, process the results, and critically discuss the results and method
4. apply research ethical principles appropriate to the research (degree project)
5. carry out all parts of the research process and produce academic writing in the form of a written degree project in the subject area, independently and within given time limits
6. demonstrate a critical approach through discussing results in relation to nursing, scientific strengths and weaknesses, and societal and ethical aspects, in connection with the examination and defense of research projects

Judgement and approach

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

7. reflect upon their own needs for further knowledge in the area of nursing, and demonstrate responsibility in relation to their own skills development

Content

Instruction is in the form of literature studies, lectures, supervision, and seminars. The degree project is normally carried out in the form of a literature study by two students working together, but other formats may be used. Students have the opportunity to write in English, but each student is responsible for language editing.

The course comprises the following components:

- completing a degree project
- conducting database searches
- collecting, processing, and analysing data
- reflecting on research ethics
- presenting a project in writing (degree project)
- defending and peer reviewing
- participating in seminars

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a written independent degree project discussed in a final seminar and the student's performance as a writer and a peer reviewer of another student's project. The degree project is normally carried out by two students working together, for pedagogical reasons, but each individual student has to be able to defend the project in its entirety, respond capably to criticism, and discuss their own contribution to the research process in the seminar.

Supplementary revisions may be allowed if submitted within 15 workdays of notification.

Supervision is provided for the duration of the course. Reregistered students are offered additional supervision for a limited period after the course, at the most six months.

If students have a decision from Karlstad University entitling them to Targeted Study Support due to a documented disability, the examiner has the right to give such students an

adapted examination or to examine them in a different manner.

Grades

One of the grades Distinction (VG), Pass (G) or Fail (U) is awarded in the examination of the course.

Quality Assurance

Follow-up relating to learning conditions and goal-fulfilment takes place both during and upon completion of the course in order to ensure continuous improvement. Course evaluation is partly based on student views and experiences obtained in accordance with current regulations and partly on other data and documentation. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of any measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional information

The courses OMGC21 or OMG207 cannot be included in the same degree programme as the course OMG007.

The course is part of the Nursing Programme.

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor and Master levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.