



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 2024-02-20, and is valid from the Autumn semester 2024 at Karlstad University.

Prerequisites

Fundamentals of 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, Nursing in relation to acute situations, 7.5 ECTS credits, with at least 3.5 ECTS credits completed, Scientific methods in nursing, 7.5 ECTS credits, with at least 3.5 ECTS credits completed, and registered for Nursing in longterm illness and multimorbidity, 30 ECTS credits, or equivalent

Learning Outcomes

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

Knowledge and understanding

1. identify a research problem and possible research questions that are relevant for the professional area of nursing.

Competence and skills

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 discuss the results and method critically,

4. apply research ethical principles appropriate for 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 of nursing, independently and within given time limits,

6. demonstrate a critical approach by discussing results in relation to nursing, scientific strengths and weaknesses, and societal and ethical aspects, when reviewing and defending scientific work (degree project).

Judgement and approach

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

Content

Instruction is in the form of literature study, 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, and are responsible for language editing of their own work.

The course comprises the following components:

- completion of a scientific work (degree project)
- database searches
- collection, processing, and analysis of data
- reflecting on research ethics
- presenting a scientific work in writing (degree project)
- defending and opposition
- participation in seminars

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on a written independent degree project, and defense of own degree project and opposition of another degree project at a seminar. The degree project is a independent degree project, but normally carried out by two students working together, for pedagogical reasons. In order to assess the students' individual performance, each student must be able to individually defend all parts of the work, demonstrate receptiveness to criticism and the ability to have a constructive discussion about their own work in the process of the degree project at the seminar.

Supplementary revisions may be allowed if submitted within ten working days after notification.

Supervision is provided for the duration of the course. Reregistered students may be 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 local regulations for studies at the Bachelor and Master levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.

The course is required in the Nursing programme

The course OMG007 cannot be included in the same degree programme as courses with overlapping content.