

Programme Major Modification report

Section one

Programme provider name:	Buckinghamshire New University
Programmes reviewed: <i>This is the NMC programme title(s)</i>	<p><i>Pre-registration nurse qualification leading to</i></p> <p>Registered Nurse – Adult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Registered Nurse – Children’s <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Registered Nurse - Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Registered Nurse - Mental Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Nursing Degree Apprenticeship (NDA) route</i></p> <p>NDA Adult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>NDA Children’s <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>NDA Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>NDA Mental Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Dual award - pre-registration nursing</i></p> <p>Dual award - adult/mental health <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Dual award - adult/children’s <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Dual award - adult/learning disabilities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Dual award - mental health/learning disabilities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Dual award - mental health/children’s <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Dual award - learning disabilities/children’s <input type="checkbox"/></p>
AEI programme title(s):	
Current AEI programme title(s): <i>Please include all currently approved programme titles</i>	<p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult)</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) Apprenticeship</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health)</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health) Apprenticeship</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Child)</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Child) Apprenticeship</p> <p>MSc Nursing (Adult) with NMC registration</p> <p>MSc Nursing (Mental Health) with NMC registration</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Learning Disabilities) Apprenticeship</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Learning Disabilities)</p>

<p>Modified AEI programme title(s) if applicable: <i>Please include new title(s) if current AEI programme title(s) are being modified as a result of this modification or add N/A</i></p>	<p>BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing BSc (Hons) Children's Nursing BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) (Apprenticeship) BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health) (Apprenticeship) BSc (Hons) Nursing (Children's) (Apprenticeship)</p>
<p>Additional AEI programme title(s) if applicable: <i>Please include any additional AEI programme title(s) for approval as a result of this modification (for example new routes being added that have a different title to those already approved) or add N/A</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Academic levels of current programme:</p>	
<p>Registered Nurse – Adult</p>	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p> <p>SCQF <input type="checkbox"/> Level 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
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Programme approval dates:	
Date of NMC approval of the programme being modified: <i>This is the approval date under the most recent NMC standards.</i>	24 December 2019
Date(s) of NMC approval of any modifications since last approval:	7 January 2022
Programme start dates:	
Current modification programme start date:	
RN – Adult	8 January 2024
RN – Children's	8 January 2024
RN - Learning Disabilities	N/A
RN - Mental Health	8 January 2024
NDA Adult	8 January 2024
NDA Children's	8 January 2024

NDA Learning Disabilities	N/A
NDA Mental Health	8 January 2024
Dual award - Adult/Mental Health	N/A
Dual award - Adult/Children's	N/A
Dual award - Adult/Learning Disabilities	N/A
Dual award – Mental Health/Learning Disabilities	N/A
Dual award – Mental Health/Children's	N/A
Dual award – Learning Disabilities/Children's	N/A
Date of modification:	24 July 2023
Type of modification:	Desktop
QA visitor(s):	Registrant Visitor: Angela Hudson

Section two

Summary of review and findings

Buckinghamshire New University (BNU) are seeking approval of a major modification to their three year full-time pre-registration nursing programme in adult, child, and mental health nursing fields. Learning disabilities field is not included in this major modification. The modification is for both direct entry and apprenticeship routes originally approved on 24 December 2019. A MSc Nursing adult and mental fields was approved on 7 January 2022.

The proposed modification includes changes to the credit rating of modules, programme and module learning outcomes and assessment for both direct entry and nurse degree apprenticeship (NDA) routes. The programme is delivered at Aylesbury, High Wycombe and Uxbridge campuses. BNU is an established provider of pre-registration nursing programmes.

Documentary evidence shows the proposed modification is designed and developed in collaboration with students, people who use services and carers (PUSCs), practice learning partners (PLPs) and employer partners (EPs).

Approved EPs for the pre-registration nursing programme are:

- Central and Northwest London NHS Foundation Trust (FT)
- Central Surrey Health
- Chelsea and Westminster NHS FT
- HCRG Care Limited
- Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust
- Meadowcroft Surgery
- Procure Community Services Limited
- Priory Group
- Ramsey Health Care
- Royal Surrey County Hospital NHS FT
- Spire Hospital
- West London NHS Trust
- University College London Hospital NHS FT

Two BNU practice learning environments are rated as inadequate from care quality commission (CQC) reports. BNU provide evidence of a robust process for communication with PLPs and EPs and the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) exceptional reporting process. Action plans are in place to mitigate against the impact on student learning. Actions include increased visits by practice education teams and BNU link tutors to support students in the affected practice settings. Students have been removed from one learning environment and BNU will no longer be sending students to this setting.

BNU pre-registration nursing programme, direct entry and NDA routes attract students from diverse backgrounds, with students who identify as black and minority ethnic (BME) making up 65 percent of the 2023 cohorts.

In the adult nursing field, a four percent attainment gap is identified with BME students' achievement of 100 percent against 96 percent for white students. Students with disabilities have 100 percent achievement and progression in the adult nursing field regardless of ethnicity. There's a greater achievement gap of 17 percent between white and BME students in the mental health nursing field, with BME students achieving 100 percent against 83 percent for direct entry white students. This is reversed for NDA students. Students with disabilities have an achievement gap of 29 percent regardless of ethnicity. Child nursing field have 100 percent attainment with no differences for BME and white students.

Analysis of equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) data highlight a range of measures in place to support student attainment, including those students on NDA routes. The intended changes to the nursing programme which include the sequencing of modules, is anticipated to further support and improve attainment, providing better continuity for NDA students and for students with disabilities.

Apprenticeship students with disabilities have access to the AEI inclusion team and reasonable adjustments are supported for assessment. There's further support planned for NDA students to include increased communication and collaboration with EPs to address any concerns early.

Personal tutor training and support will focus on a greater understanding of the white, BME and disability attainment gap. Graduate teaching assistants are employed to support academic skills development and are integrated into the programme team to support all students. Support is also offered on an individual basis. There's a retention and attainment panel held monthly in which individual learners are discussed and support plans reviewed or put in place.

The modification is undertaken by desktop review.

The programme has been mapped to the Standards for pre-registration nursing programme (SPNP) (NMC, 2018, updated 2023) and the Future nurse: Standards of proficiency for registered nurses (FN: SPRN) (NMC, 2018).

Arrangements at programme level do not meet the Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (SFNME) (NMC, 2018) or the SPNP as a condition applies. The programme meets the requirements of the Standards for student supervision and assessment (SSSA) (NMC, 2018 updated 2023).

The programme is recommended to the NMC for approval subject to one NMC condition.

Updated 10 August 2023:

BNU has provided evidence which demonstrates the condition is met. The modification is recommended to the NMC for approval.

Recommended outcome of the approval panel	
Recommended outcome to the NMC:	<p>Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Recommended to refuse approval of the programme <input type="checkbox"/></p>
Conditions:	<p>Effective partnership working: collaboration, culture, communication and resources: None identified.</p> <p>Selection, admission and progression: None identified.</p> <p>Practice learning: None identified.</p> <p>Assessment, fitness for practice and award: None identified.</p> <p>Education governance: management and quality assurance: Condition one: Ensure student facing documentation provides accurate information about hours of simulated practice learning and inaccuracies in module names and codes are corrected. (SFNME R3.2; SPNP R2.1)</p>
Date condition(s) to be met:	10 August 2023

Recommendations to enhance the programme delivery:	None identified.
Focused areas for future monitoring:	Review of proposed EDI interventions.

Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met	
Commentary post review of evidence against conditions:	
BNU has provided revised programme handbooks and programme specifications that demonstrate accurate and consistent information of the hours of simulated practice learning in the programme. Module codes and names have been corrected for each field of nursing. Condition one is now met.	
AEI Observations	Observations have been made by the education institution YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of observations made, if applicable	Correction to modified apprenticeship titles (bracketed awards).
Final recommendation made to NMC:	Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended to refuse approval of the programme <input type="checkbox"/>
Date condition(s) met:	10 August 2023

Section three

NMC Programme standards
<p>Please refer to NMC standards reference points:</p> <p>Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes (NMC 2018, updated 2023)</p> <p>Future nurse: Standards of proficiency for registered nurses (NMC, 2018)</p> <p>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (NMC 2018, updated 2023)</p> <p>Standards for student supervision and assessment (NMC 2018, updated 2023)</p> <p>The Code: Professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses, midwives and nursing associates (NMC, 2015 updated 2018)</p> <p>Quality assurance framework for nursing, midwifery and nursing associate education (NMC, 2020)</p> <p>QA Handbook (NMC, 2022)</p>

Partnerships

The AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, people who use services, students and all other stakeholders.

Please refer to the following NMC standards reference points for this section:

[Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023)

Standard 1: The learning culture:

- R1.12 ensure programmes are designed, developed, delivered, evaluated and co-produced with people who use services and other stakeholders
- R1.13 work with service providers to demonstrate and promote inter-professional learning and working

Standard 2: Educational governance and quality:

- R2.2 ensure programmes are designed to meet proficiencies and outcomes relevant to the programme
- R2.4 comply with NMC [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#)
- R2.5 adopt a partnership approach with shared responsibility for theory and practice supervision, learning and assessment, including clear lines of communication and accountability for the development, delivery, quality assurance and evaluation of their programmes
- R2.6 ensure that recruitment and selection of students is open, fair and transparent and includes measures to understand and address underrepresentation
- R2.7 ensure that people who use services and representatives from relevant stakeholder groups are engaged in partnership in student recruitment and selection

Standard 3: Student empowerment:

- R3.3 have opportunities throughout their programme to work with and learn from a range of people in a variety of practice placements, preparing them to provide care to people with diverse needs
- R3.16 have opportunities throughout their programme to collaborate and learn with and from other professionals, to learn with and from peers, and to develop supervision and leadership skills
- R3.17 receive constructive feedback throughout the programme from stakeholders with experience of the programme to promote and encourage reflective learning
- R3.18 have opportunities throughout their programme to give feedback on the quality of all aspects of their support and supervision in both theory and practice.

Standard 4: Educators and assessors:

- R4.7 liaise and collaborate with colleagues and partner organisations in their approach to supervision and assessment
- R4.9 receive and act upon constructive feedback from students and the people they engage with to enhance the effectiveness of their teaching, supervision and assessment
- R4.10 share effective practice and learn from others

Standard 5: Curricula and assessment:

- R5.4 curricula are developed and evaluated by suitably experienced and qualified educators and practitioners who are accountable for ensuring that the curriculum incorporates relevant programme outcomes
- R5.5 curricula are co-produced with stakeholders who have experience relevant to the programme
- R5.14 a range of people including people who use services contribute to student assessment

[Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023)

Standard 1: Organisation of practice learning:

- R1.4 there are suitable systems, processes, resources and individuals in place to ensure safe and effective coordination of learning within practice learning environments
- R1.7 students are empowered to be proactive and to take responsibility for their learning
- R1.8 students have opportunities to learn from a range of relevant people in practice learning environments, including users of services, registered and non-registered individuals, and other students as appropriate

Standard 2: Expectations of practice supervisors:

- R2.2 there is support and oversight of practice supervision to ensure safe and effective learning

Standard 3: Practice supervisors: role and responsibilities:

- R3.3 support and supervise students, providing feedback on their progress towards, and achievement of, proficiencies and skills

Standard 4: Practice supervisors: contribution to assessment and progression:

- R4.3 have sufficient opportunities to engage with practice assessors and academic assessors to share relevant observations on the conduct, proficiency and achievement of the students they are supervising

Standard 7: Practice assessors: responsibilities:

R7.9 communication and collaboration between practice and academic assessors is scheduled for relevant points in programme structure and student progression

Standard 9: Academic assessors: responsibilities:

R9.6 communication and collaboration between academic and practice assessors is scheduled for relevant points in programme structure and student progression

Findings against the standard and requirements

Provide an evaluative summary about the effectiveness of the partnerships between the AEI and their practice learning partners, service users, students and any other stakeholders.

The major modification documentation and desktop modification provide evidence of collaborative working with students, PUSCs, PLPs and EPs in the design and delivery of the modified programme. Major modification documentation confirms that effective partnership working at strategic and operational levels with stakeholders continues. Students continue to provide feedback after completion of modules, practice learning experiences and at programme level on a regular basis.

Documentary analysis provides continued evidence of shared responsibility for theory and practice learning, supervision and assessment with PLPs and EPs. Partnership working continues to be robust and effective at strategic and operational levels for the delivery of the current pre-registration nursing programme. Strategic governance meetings between PLPs, EPs, BNU and other AEIs in the geographic area continues. These meetings are held to share evaluations and monitoring of action plans developed as a result of student feedback, concerns in practice or adverse regulator reports.

BNU is a member of the Pan London practice learning group and students use the electronic practice assessment document and an electronic ongoing achievement record. At operational level effective partnership working continues between BNU and PLPs/EPs in the preparation and support of practice supervisors, practice assessors and academic assessors.

Assurance is provided that the AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, people who use services, students and all other stakeholders as identified in Gateway 1: [Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#)

MET

NOT MET

Assurance is provided that the AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, people who use services, students and all other stakeholders as identified in Gateway 2: [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#)

MET NOT MET

Post Event Review

Identify how the condition is met:

N/A

Date condition(s) met:

N/A

Revised outcome after condition(s) met:

MET NOT MET

N/A

Student journey through the programme

Standard 1: Selection, admission and progression

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

R1.1 Confirm on entry to the programme that students:

R1.1.1 meet the entry criteria for the programme as set out by the AEI and are suitable for their intended field of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing

R1.1.2 demonstrate values in accordance with the Code

R1.1.3 have capability to learn behaviours in accordance with the Code

R1.1.4 have capability to develop numeracy skills required to meet programme outcomes

R1.1.5 can demonstrate proficiency in English language

R1.1.6 have capability in literacy to meet programme outcomes

R1.1.7 have capability for digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes.

R1.2 ensure students' health and character are sufficient to enable safe and effective practice on entering the programme, throughout the programme and when submitting the supporting declaration of health and character in line with the NMC's health and character decision-making guidance. This includes satisfactory occupational health assessment and criminal record checks

R1.3 ensure students are fully informed of the requirement to declare immediately any police charges, cautions, convictions or conditional discharges, or determinations that their fitness to practise is impaired made by other regulators, professional bodies and educational establishments, and ensure that any declarations are dealt with promptly, fairly and lawfully

- R1.4 ensure the registered nurse responsible for directing the educational programme or their designated registered nurse substitute are able to provide supporting declarations of health and character for students who have completed a pre-registration nursing programme
- R1.5 permit recognition of prior learning that is capable of being mapped to the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes, up to a maximum of 50 percent of the programme
- R1.6 for NMC registered nurses permit recognition of prior learning that is capable of being mapped to the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes that may be more than 50 percent of the programme
- R1.7 support students throughout the programme in continuously developing their abilities in numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes, and

[Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#) specifically R2.6, R2.7, R2.8, R2.9, R2.11

Proposed transfer of current students to the programme under review

Demonstrate a robust process to transfer current students onto the proposed programme to ensure programme learning outcomes and proficiencies meet the [Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

Proposed transfer of current students to the [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

Demonstrate a robust process to transfer current students onto the [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

Findings against the standard and requirements

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence that selection processes ensure entrants onto the programme are suitable for the intended field of nursing practice and demonstrate values and have capability to learn behaviours in accordance with the Code. Evidence of people who use services and practitioners involvement in selection processes. (R1.1.1, R1.1.2, R1.1.3)

YES NO

- Evidence of selection processes, including statements on digital literacy, literacy, numeracy, values-based selection criteria, educational entry standard required, and progression and assessment strategy, English language proficiency criteria specified in recruitment processes (R1.1.4 – R1.1.7).

YES NO

- Ensure students' health and character are sufficient to enable safe and effective practice on entering the programme, throughout the programme and when submitting the supporting declaration of health and character in line with the NMC's health and character decision-making guidance. This includes satisfactory occupational health assessment and criminal record checks. Fitness for practice processes evidenced and information given to applicants and students are detailed (R1.2)

YES NO

- Ensure students are fully informed of the requirement to declare immediately any police charges, cautions, convictions or conditional discharges, or determinations that their fitness to practise is impaired made by other regulators, professional bodies and educational establishments, and ensure that any declarations are dealt with promptly, fairly and lawfully. (R1.3)

YES NO

- Processes are in place for providing supporting declarations by a registered nurse responsible for directing the educational programme (R1.4)

YES NO

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met

- Evidence of recognition of prior learning processes, mapped against programme outcomes at all levels and against academic levels of the programme up to a maximum of 50 percent of the programme (R1.5)

MET NOT MET

R1.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Evidence that for NMC registered nurses recognition of prior learning is capable of being mapped to the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes (R1.6)

MET NOT MET

R1.6 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy mapped against proficiency standards and programme outcomes. Provide evidence that the

programme meets NMC requirements, mapping how the indicative content meets the proficiencies and programme outcomes.

Ongoing achievement record (OAR) and practice assessment document (PAD) are linked to competence outcomes in numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes. Detail support strategies for students throughout the programme in continuously developing their abilities in numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes (R1.7)

MET NOT MET

R1.7 is met. There's mapping of modules from the 2019 programme to the modified 2023 programme, demonstrating where changes have been made to the indicative content, to meet the modified programme outcomes. NMC proficiencies are mapped to modules demonstrating where proficiencies will be met.

Proposed transfer of current students to the programme under review

From your documentary analysis and your meeting with students, provide an evaluative summary to confirm how the *Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes* and *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* will be met through the transfer of existing students onto the proposed programme.

Students will be facilitated to complete their current programme. However, students that have interrupted, are taking a break in learning or with more than 60 credits to retake will be enabled to join the modified curriculum and claim recognition of prior learning (RPL).

Proposed transfer of current students to the Standards for student supervision and assessment (SSSA) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

From your documentary analysis and your meetings at the approval visit confirm if students will be transferring to the SSSA, and if so that they have informed choice and are fully prepared for supervision and assessment.

The SSSA was implemented in 2019 at BNU and with its PLPs and EPs and already applies to pre-registration nursing students.

Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: [Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#) relevant to selection, admission and progression are met

YES NO

Outcome

Is the standard met?

MET NOT MET

Date: 24 July 2023

Post event review

Identify how the condition(s) is met:

N/A

Date condition(s) met:

N/A

Revised outcome after condition(s) met:

MET

NOT MET

N/A

Standard 2: Curriculum

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

R2.1 ensure that programmes comply with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education*

R2.2 comply with the NMC *Standards for student supervision and assessment*

R2.3 ensure that programme learning outcomes reflect the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and each of the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing

R2.4 design and deliver a programme that supports students and provides exposure across all four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing

R2.5 state routes within their pre-registration nursing programme that allows students to enter the register in one or more of the specific fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities or children's nursing

R2.6 set out the general and professional content necessary to meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes

R2.7 set out the content necessary to meet the programme outcomes for each field of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing

R2.8 ensure that field specific content in relation to the law, safeguarding, consent, pharmacology and medicines administration and optimisation is included for entry to the register in one or more fields of nursing practice

R2.9 ensure the curriculum provides an equal balance of 50 percent theory and 50 percent practice learning using a range of learning and teaching strategies

R 2.10 ensure technology and simulation opportunities are used effectively and proportionately across the curriculum to support supervision, learning and assessment

R2.11 ensure that programmes delivered in Wales comply with legislation which supports use of the Welsh language

- R2.12 ensure that all pre-registration nursing programmes meet the equivalent of minimum length of three (academic) years for full time programmes, which consist of a minimum of 4,600 hours
- R2.13 ensure programmes leading to registration in two fields of nursing practice are of suitable length to ensure proficiency in both fields of nursing, and
- R2.14 ensure programmes leading to nursing registration and registration in another profession, are of suitable length and nursing proficiencies and outcomes are achieved in a nursing context.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education specifically:

R1.9, R1.13; R2.2, R2.15, R2.16, R2.19, R2.20; R3.1, R3.2, R3.4, R3.9, R3.10, R3.15, R 3.16; R5.1 - R5.16.

Standards for student supervision and assessment specifically:

R1.2, R1.3, R1.7, R1.10, R1.11

Findings against the standard and requirements

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There is evidence that the programme complies with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education* (R2.1)

YES NO

R2.1 is not met. Programme specifications and programme handbooks contain conflicting information about the hours allocated to simulated practice learning for NDA and direct entry students. There are inconsistencies in module codes and module names in both documents. (Condition one).

- There is evidence that the programme complies with the NMC *Standards for student supervision and assessment* (R2.2)

YES NO

- Mapping to show how the programme learning outcomes reflect the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and each of the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R2.3)

YES NO

R2.3 is met. Revised programme learning outcomes have been mapped to the SPRN for adult, children's and mental health fields.

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met.

- There is evidence to show how the design and delivery of the programme will support students in both theory and practice to experience across all four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R2.4)

MET NOT MET

R2.4 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Evidence that programme structure/design/delivery will illustrate specific fields of practice that allows students to enter the register in one or more specific fields of nursing practice. Evidence of field specific learning outcomes and content in the module descriptors (R2.5)

MET NOT MET

R2.5 is met. Examples of updated student practice learning journeys in three fields of nursing is provided. Mapping of each field of nursing practice against the proficiencies confirms students have exposure to all four fields of nursing in theory and practice.

The programme has changed to 20 or 40 credit modules from two 30 credit theory modules and one 60 credit practice module per year. In year one there's two field specific and five shared cross field theory modules. In year two there's four field specific and three shared modules which includes one optional module from a choice of four. Optional modules contribute to programme learning outcomes and are cross field. In year three there's four field specific and two shared modules. The practice module in each year is field specific and non-credit bearing.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to show how the general and professional content meets NMC requirements of the Standards of proficiency for registered nurses and programme outcomes (R2.6)

YES NO

R2.6 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to set out the content necessary to meet the programme outcomes for each field of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R2.7)

YES NO

R2.7 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met.

- There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to ensure that field specific content in relation to the law, safeguarding, consent, pharmacology and medicines administration and optimisation is included for entry to the register in one or more fields of nursing practice (R2.8)

MET **NOT MET**

R2.8 is met. Mapping is updated to reflect the revised content across three fields of nursing.

- The programme structure demonstrates an equal balance of 50 percent theory and 50 percent practice learning. This is detailed in the designated hours in the module descriptors and practice learning allocations. A range of learning and teaching strategies are detailed in the programme specification, programme handbook and module descriptors with theory / practice balance detailed at each part of the programme and at end point. There are appropriate module aims, descriptors and outcomes specified. There is a practice allocation model for the delivery of the programme that clearly demonstrates the achievement of designated hours for the programme detailed. (R2.9)

MET **NOT MET**

R2.9 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- There is evidence to ensure technology and simulation opportunities are used effectively and proportionately across the curriculum to support supervision, learning and assessment (R2.10)

MET **NOT MET**

R2.10 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence to ensure that programmes delivered in Wales comply with any legislation which supports the use of the Welsh language (R2.11)

YES **NO** **N/A**

The programme is delivered in England only.

- Evidence to ensure that all pre-registration nursing programmes meet the equivalent of minimum length of three (academic) years for full time programmes, which consist of a minimum of 4,600 hours (R2.12)

YES NO

- Evidence that programmes leading to registration in two fields of nursing practice are of suitable length to ensure proficiency in both fields of nursing (R2.13)

YES NO N/A

The programme leads to registration in a single field of nursing.

- Evidence to ensure that programmes leading to nursing registration and registration in another profession, will be of suitable length and nursing proficiencies and outcomes will be achieved in a nursing context (R2.14)

YES NO N/A

The programme leads to registration solely with the NMC.

Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education relevant to curricula are met

YES NO

Programme specifications and programme handbooks contain conflicting information about the hours allocated to simulated practice learning for NDA and direct entry students. There are inconsistencies in module codes and module names in both documents. (Condition one)

Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: Standards for student supervision and assessment relevant to curricula and assessment are met

YES NO

Outcome

Is the standard met?

MET NOT MET

Programme specifications and programme handbooks contain conflicting information about the hours allocated to simulated practice learning for NDA and direct entry students. There are inconsistencies in module codes and module names in both documents. (Condition one)

Condition one: Ensure student facing documentation provides accurate information about hours of simulated practice learning and inaccuracies in module names and codes are corrected. (SFNME R3.2; SPNP R2.1)

Date: 24 July 2023

Post event review

Identify how the condition(s) is met:

Condition one: BNU has provided revised programme handbooks and programme specifications that demonstrate accurate information about the hours of simulated practice learning in the programme. Module codes and names have been corrected for each field of nursing. Condition one is now met.

Evidence:

BSc Hons Nursing apprenticeship programme handbook, 2023-2024,
BSc Hons Nursing direct entry programme handbook, 2023-2024,
BSc Hons Adult nursing programme specification, August 2023,
BSc Hons Childrens nursing programme specification, August 2023
BSc Hons Mental health nursing programme specification, August 2023
BSc Hons Nursing adult apprenticeship programme specification, August 2023
BSc Hons Nursing children apprenticeship programme specification, August 2023
BSc Hons Nursing mental health apprenticeship programme specification, August 2023
BSc Hons Nursing adult apprenticeship programme specification – appendix two, August 2023
BSc Hons Nursing children apprenticeship programme specification – appendix two, August 2023
BSc Hons Nursing mental health apprenticeship programme specification – appendix two, August 2023
BSc Hons Adult nursing programme specification – appendix two, August 2023
BSc Hons Children nursing programme specification – appendix two, August 2023
BSc Hons Mental health nursing programme specification – appendix two, August 2023

Date condition(s) met:

10 August 2023

Revised outcome after condition(s) met:

MET

NOT MET

Standard 3: Practice learning

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

R3.1 provide practice learning opportunities that allow students to develop and meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* to deliver safe and

- effective care to a diverse range of people, across the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R3.2 ensure that students experience the variety of practice expected of registered nurses to meet the holistic needs of people of all ages
- R3.3 provide practice learning opportunities that allow students to meet the communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures, as set out in *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses*, within their selected fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R3.4 provide no less than 2300 practice learning hours, of which a maximum of 600 hours can be in simulated practice learning
- R3.5 take account of students' individual needs and personal circumstances when allocating their practice learning including making reasonable adjustments for students with disabilities
- R3.6 ensure students experience the range of hours expected of registered nurses, and
- R3.7 ensure that students are supernumerary.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically:
R1.1, R1.3, R1.5; R2.10, R2.12; R3.3, R3.5, R 3.7, R3.16; R5.1, R5.7, R5.10, R5.12

Standards for student supervision and assessment, specifically: R1.1 – R1.11

Findings against the standard and requirements

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met.

- Evidence that the practice learning opportunities allow students to develop and meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* to deliver safe and effective care, to a diverse range of people, across the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R3.1)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.1 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- There is evidence of how the programme will ensure students experience the variety of practice learning experiences to meet the holistic needs of people in all ages. There are appropriate processes for assessing, monitoring and evaluating these practice experiences (R3.2)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.2 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Evidence that the practice learning opportunities allow students to meet the communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures, as set out in the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses*, within their selected fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R3.3)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.3 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Evidence to ensure the programme is no less than 2300 practice learning hours, of which a maximum of 600 hours can be in simulated practice learning (R3.4)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.4 is met. Programme learning hours for both simulated practice learning and theoretical learning are in place. BNU are approved to deliver up to the maximum of 600 hours of simulated practice learning in the pre-registration nursing programme under RND6. Each field of nursing has different hours allocated for simulated practice learning. Mental health field is allocated 210 simulated practice learning hours and adult and child field 170 simulated practice learning hours. BNU intend to increase the simulated practice learning up to 300 hours over the three years of the programme. All simulated practice learning hours are contextualised, used proportionately across the programme and enhance student understanding of diverse areas of practice. All simulated practice learning meets the SSSA requirements.

- There are processes in place to take account of students' individual needs and personal circumstances when allocating their practice learning including making reasonable adjustments for disabilities (R3.5)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence of how programme is planned to allow for students to experience the range of hours expected of registered nurses (e.g., 24 hour care, seven days, night shifts planned examples) (R3.6)

YES **NO**

- Processes are in place to ensure that students are supernumerary (R3.7)

	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to practice learning are met	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: <u>Standards for student supervision and assessment</u> relevant to practice learning are met	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Outcome		
Is the standard met?	MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 24 July 2023		
Post event review		
Identify how the condition(s) is met:		
N/A		
Date condition(s) met:		
N/A		
Revised outcome after condition(s) met:	MET <input type="checkbox"/>	NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
N/A		

Standard 4: Supervision and assessment

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

- R4.1 ensure that support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education*
- R4.2 ensure that support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC *Standards for student supervision and assessment*
- R4.3 ensure they inform the NMC of the name of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme
- R4.4 provide students with constructive feedback throughout the programme to support their development
- R4.5 ensure throughout the programme that students meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes for their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing

- R4.6 ensure that all programmes include a health numeracy assessment related to nursing proficiencies and calculation of medicines which must be passed with a score of 100%
- R4.7 ensure that students meet all communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures within their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R4.8 assess students to confirm proficiency in preparation for professional practice as a registered nurse
- R4.9 ensure that there is equal weighting in the assessment of theory and practice
- R4.10 ensure that all proficiencies are recorded in an ongoing record of achievement which must demonstrate the achievement of proficiencies and skills set out in *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses*.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically:
R2.12; R3.5, R3.6, R 3.8, R3.11, R3.13, R3.14, R3.17;
R4.1, R4.2, R4.3, R4.4, R4.5, R4.6, R4.8, R4.11; R5.9

Standards for student supervision and assessment

Findings against the standards and requirements

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met

- There is evidence of how the programme will ensure how support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education*. (R4.1)

MET NOT MET

R4.1 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- There is evidence of how the *Standards for student supervision and assessment* are applied to the programme. There are processes in place to identify the supervisors and assessor along with how they will be prepared for their roles. (R4.2)

MET NOT MET

R4.2 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There are processes in place to ensure the NMC is informed of the name of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme (R4.3)

YES NO

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met

- There are processes in place to provide students with constructive feedback throughout the programme to support their development. Formative and summative assessment strategy is detailed (R4.4)

MET NOT MET

R4.4 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- There is appropriate mapping of the curriculum and practice learning placements to ensure throughout the programme that students meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes for their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R4.5)

MET NOT MET

R4.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There is evidence that all programmes include a health numeracy assessment related to nursing proficiencies and calculation of medicines which must be passed with a score of 100 percent (R4.6)

YES NO

- Processes are in place to ensure that students meet all communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures within their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R4.7)

YES NO

- Evidence of processes to assess students to confirm proficiency in preparation for professional practice as a registered nurse (R4.8)

YES NO

- There is an assessment strategy with details and weighting expressed for all credit bearing assessments. Theory and practice weighting is calculated and detailed in award criteria and programme handbooks (R4.9)

YES NO

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is evidence that all proficiencies are recorded in an ongoing record of achievement which must demonstrate the achievement of proficiencies and skills as set out in the <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses (R4.10)</i> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> 	
Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to supervision and assessment are met YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: <u>Standards for student supervision and assessment</u> are met YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Outcome	
Is the standard met?	MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 24 July 2023	
Post event review	
Identify how the condition(s) is met:	
N/A	
Date condition(s) met:	
N/A	
Revised outcome after condition(s) met:	MET <input type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
N/A	

Standard 5: Qualification to be awarded
Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must: R5.1 ensure that the minimum award for a pre-registration nursing programme is a bachelor's degree, and R5.2 notify students during and before completion of the programme that they have five years to register their award with the NMC. In the event of a student failing to register their qualification within five years they will have to undertake additional education and training or gain such experience as specified in our standards.
<i>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically R2.12, R2.21</i>

Findings against the standards and requirements	
Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The pre-registration nursing programme award to be approved is clearly identified in all programme documentation and is a minimum of a bachelor's degree (R5.1) 	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notify students during and before completion of the programme that they have five years to register their award with the NMC. In the event of a student failing to register their qualification within five years they will have to undertake additional education and training or gain such experience as specified in our standards. (R5.2) 	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Fall Back Award If there is a fall back exit award with registration as a nurse all NMC standards and proficiencies are met within the award	
	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
There's no fall-back award with registration as a nurse.	
Assurance is provided that the <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to the qualification to be awarded are met	
	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Outcome	
Is the standard met?	MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 24 July 2023	
Post event review	
Identify how the condition(s) is met: N/A	
Date condition(s) met: N/A	
Revised outcome after condition(s) met:	MET <input type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
N/A	

Section four

Sources of evidence

The following documentation provided by the AEI/education institution was reviewed by the visitor(s):

Key documentation	YES	NO
Programme document, including proposal, rationale and consultation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Programme specification(s) include fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Module descriptors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student facing documentation including: programme handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student university handbook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Practice assessment documentation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing record of achievement (ORA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice learning environment handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice learning handbook for practice supervisors and assessors specific to the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Academic assessor focused information specific to the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Placement allocation/structure of programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PAD linked to competence outcomes, and mapped against <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the education institution has met the <i>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</i> (NMC 2018, updated 2023) (Gateway 1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the <i>Standards for student supervision and assessment</i> (NMC 2018, updated 2023) apply to the programme(s) (Gateway 2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the education institution has met the <i>Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes</i> (NMC 2018, updated 2023) (Gateway 3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Curricula vitae (CV) for relevant staff	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CV of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Registrant academic staff details checked on NMC website	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
External examiner appointments and arrangements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Written placement agreement(s) between the education institution and associated practice learning partners to support the programme intentions.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written agreement(s) to support the programme intentions between the education institution and employer partners for apprenticeship routes (if applicable).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation:		
There are no changes to the academic programme team so review of CVs was not required. There's no university student handbook, all information relevant to students can be found online.		
List additional documentation: Evidence:		
<p>BSc Hons Nursing apprenticeship programme handbook, 2023-2024, BSc Hons Nursing direct entry programme handbook, 2023-2024 BSc Hons Adult nursing programme specification, August 2023 BSc Hons Childrens nursing programme specification, August 2023 BSc Hons Mental health nursing programme specification, August 2023 BSc Hons Nursing adult apprenticeship programme specification, August 2023 BSc Hons Nursing children apprenticeship programme specification, August 2023 BSc Hons Nursing mental health apprenticeship programme specification, August 2023 BSc Hons Nursing adult apprenticeship programme specification – appendix two, August 2023 BSc Hons Nursing children apprenticeship programme specification – appendix two, August 2023 BSc Hons Nursing mental health apprenticeship programme specification – appendix two, August 2023 BSc Hons Adult nursing programme specification – appendix two, August 2023 BSc Hons Children nursing programme specification – appendix two, August 2023 BSc Hons Mental health nursing programme specification – appendix two, August 2023</p>		
Additional comments: None identified.		

During the event the visitor(s) met the following groups:

	YES	NO
Senior managers of the AEI/education institution with responsibility for resources for the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Senior managers from associated practice learning partners with responsibility for resources for the programme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Senior managers from associated employer partners with responsibility for resources for the programme (applicable for apprenticeship routes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Programme team/academic assessors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice leads/practice supervisors/practice assessors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please identify cohort year/programme of study:		
People who use services and carers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation:		
Although stakeholders were involved in the consultation, none were required at the desktop modification.		
Additional comments: None identified.		

The visitor(s) viewed the following areas/facilities during the event:

	YES	NO
Specialist teaching accommodation (e.g. clinical skills/simulation suites)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Library facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Technology enhanced learning/virtual learning environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Educational audit tools/documentation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Practice learning environments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If practice learning environments are visited, state where visited/findings:		
System regulator reports reviewed for practice learning partners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
System regulator reports list: CQC report, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust, 4 July 2022 CQC report, Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust, 13 March 2019 and 10 June 2021 CQC report Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, 30 July 2019 CQC report, London North West University Healthcare NHS Trust, 20 May 2022 CQC report, Huntercombe Hospital, Maidenhead, 17 February 2021 CQC report, The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, 18 January 2023		
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation: BNU is an established AEI, visits to practice learning areas are not required.		
Additional comments: None identified.		

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Final Report

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