

Programme Major Modification report

Section one

Programme provider name:	Queen Margaret 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 type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Registered Nurse - Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Registered Nurse - Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Nursing Degree Apprenticeship (NDA) route</i></p> <p>NDA Adult <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>NDA Children’s <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>NDA Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>NDA Mental Health <input 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>	MN Nursing BSc (Hons) Nursing BSc (Hons) Nursing (fall back award)
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>	N/A
Additional AEI programme title(s) if applicable: <i>Please include any additional AEI programme title(s) for approval as a</i>	BSc Nursing (fall back award)

<p><i>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>Academic levels of current programme:</p>	
<p>Registered Nurse – Adult</p>	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p> <p>SCQF <input type="checkbox"/> Level 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 10 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
<p>Registered Nurse – Children’s</p>	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
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Academic levels of modified/additional programme(s)/route(s):	
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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>	3 September 2020
Date(s) of NMC approval of any modifications since last approval:	N/A
Programme start dates:	
Current modification programme start date:	
RN – Adult	9 September 2024
RN – Children’s	
RN - Learning Disabilities	
RN - Mental Health	
NDA Adult	
NDA Children’s	
NDA Learning Disabilities	
NDA Mental Health	
Dual award - Adult/Mental Health	
Dual award - Adult/Children’s	
Dual award - Adult/Learning Disabilities	
Dual award – Mental Health/Learning Disabilities	
Dual award – Mental Health/Children’s	
Dual award – Learning Disabilities/Children’s	
Date of modification:	24 April 2024

Type of modification:	Visit
QA visitor(s):	Registrant Visitor: Alison Marchbank

Section two

Summary of review and findings

Queen Margaret University (QMU) is an established approved education institution (AEI). The QMU division of nursing and paramedic science present a modification to the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) approved pre-registration adult nursing programme. The programme was approved by the NMC on the 3 September 2020. The approved programme includes a full-time four-year Masters in Nursing (MN) at Scottish credit and qualifications framework (SCQF) level 11 and a Bachelor of Science with Honours (BSc (Hons)) nursing at SCQF 10. The BSc (Hons) route is delivered full- and part-time. All routes are in the field of adult nursing. There's a fall back exit award in the MN route, which is a BSc (Hons) nursing with NMC registration as an adult nurse at SCQF level 10.

The current programme entry point is to the MN nursing route; the proposed modification is to introduce an entry point for the BSc (Hons) nursing route with a new BSc nursing without honours fall back exit award at SCQF level nine for students who successfully achieve all NMC requirements and programme outcomes. The new route title is BSc nursing (fall back award).

There's evidence that QMU working in partnership with practice learning partners (PLPs), students and people who use services and carers (PUSCs) have undertaken a review of the current programme. Feedback from all stakeholders informs the proposed modification.

The review of the programme is informed by changing workforce requirements and to meet the needs of the local population. QMU consider student feedback about their experiences of the programme. There's evidence that consultation with all stakeholders provides the opportunity for a review of the programme content, modules, award titles, fall back exit awards, learning outcomes and assessments. PLPs confirm that the proposed modification provides flexibility for applications to either the MN or a BSc (Hons) route with the opportunity at the end of part two of the programme to transfer to either the MN or BSc (Hons) routes. Transfer is dependent on academic achievement and/or individual circumstances. Transfer to the MN route requires achievement of an overall average academic mark of 60 percent and successful completion of a 40-credit SCQF level nine independent study for developing professional practice module that supports transition to the MN. The approved fall back exit award for the MN is a BSc (Hons) nursing. Written placement agreements are in place and confirm PLP support for the programme modification.

There's evidence of student consultation and agreement with the transfer of existing students to the modified routes. There's documented evidence in place that details the transfer processes.

The programme continues to meet the NMC requirement of 4,600 hours and there's an equal balance of 50 percent theory and 50 percent practice learning. QMU confirm that there are no plans to include any simulated practice learning hours. There's no change to planned student numbers.

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

The programme is delivered at the QMU Musselburgh campus.

There's evidence of policy and processes in place that confirm QMU monitor student equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI), including attainment by disability, ethnicity and gender. QMU and the programme team have a clear plan in place to ensure EDI monitoring at programme level. There's evidence that the review of the curriculum has informed further development of decolonised learning materials.

There's evidence that QMU and PLPs work collaboratively, to ensure the quality and safety of practice learning environments. They work in partnership to address, action plan and monitor any practice learning concerns and risks identified by system regulators including Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) reporting. There are effective processes in place to monitor practice learning governance, capacity and adherence to the Standards for student supervision and assessment (SSSA) (NMC 2018, updated 2023). The NHS Education for Scotland (NES) quality management of practice learning environments (QMPLE) process that's used by all PLPs and AEs in Scotland is clearly detailed in programme documentation. QMPLE confirms that QMU and PLPs have access to data related to the ongoing quality of practice learning environments.

There's evidence that students, practice assessors and practice supervisors know how to raise practice learning concerns; the processes are clearly detailed in programme documentation. Supernumerary status in practice learning environments is confirmed. Practice learning is assessed in the Scottish practice assessment document (PAD) that's contextualised to the QMU programme.

The Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (SFNME) (NMC, 2018 updated 2023) and the SSSA are met at programme level.

The modification visit is undertaken face to face.

The modification is recommended for approval subject to one university condition. Two university recommendations are made.

Updated 22 May 2024:

QMU confirm the university condition is met.

The programme 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:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Selection, admission and progression:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Practice learning:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Assessment, fitness for practice and award:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Education governance: management and quality assurance:</p> <p>Condition one: Update the documentation including student-facing documentation to ensure accuracy, completeness and consistency to address matters highlighted in the pre-visit feedback and covered in discussion. (University condition)</p>
Date condition(s) to be met:	22 May 2024

Recommendations to enhance the programme delivery:	<p>Recommendation one: To update the documentation to be more explicit about aspects of good practice identified in discussion. (University recommendation)</p> <p>Recommendation two: To explore both within the division of nursing and paramedic science and wider context how to further diversify the stakeholder group, including PUSCs. (University recommendation)</p>
Focused areas for future monitoring:	The collection of EDI and attainment data at programme level.

Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met	
Commentary post review of evidence against conditions:	
A response to the university condition signed by the chair of the conjoint approval panel confirms the university condition is met. Condition one is met.	
AEI Observations	Observations have been made by the education institution YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of observations made, if applicable	
Final recommendation made to NMC:	<p>Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Recommended to refuse approval of the programme <input type="checkbox"/></p>
Date condition(s) met:	22 May 2024

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>

NMC Programme standards

[The Code: Professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses, midwives and nursing associates](#) (NMC, 2015 updated 2018)
[Quality assurance framework for nursing, midwifery and nursing associate education](#) (NMC, 2020)
[QA Handbook](#) (NMC, 2022)

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:

- S2.2 all learning environments optimise safety and quality taking account of the diverse needs of, and working in partnership with, people who use services, students and all other stakeholders
- 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're 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, people who use services, students and any other stakeholders.

Documentary evidence and the visit confirm that there's effective partnership working between QMU and PLPs at both strategic and operational levels. PLPs confirm that they've contributed to the development of the proposed modification. They tell us that the inclusion of the MN route remains important to ensure the development of NMC registrant adult nurses who can meet the needs of the local population. PLPs tell us that the proposal to allow an entry point to the BSc (Hons) increases the opportunities for people who are considering studying a nursing degree at academic level 10. Students tell us that they support this change that means it can remove the uncertainty for applicants who may feel they don't have the academic ability to undertake academic level 11 study. They tell us that this can be an issue and can mean people won't apply to study the programme at QMU. They tell us that they feel that the flexibility offered by the modification will enhance student success.

There's evidence that QMU works collaboratively with other AEIs across Scotland as part of NES. This approach ensures that there's sharing of information and data using QMPLE to inform assurance of the quality and safety of practice learning experiences and the implementation of the SSSA. Documentary evidence confirms and PLPs tell us that there's a collaborative approach that ensures practice learning is reviewed and monitored using QMPLE and that any adverse reporting by HIS is managed in partnership with QMU. Senior PLPs, the senior QMU team and the programme team tell us about the processes that are in place that require

them to work in partnership to address any student practice learning concerns. Documentary evidence confirms that there are processes in place to assure the application of the SSSA in practice learning environments. Student, practice assessor and practice supervisor facing documentation provide assurance that the roles and responsibilities for practice learning are clear.

Documentary evidence confirms and the programme team and PLPs tell us that student views inform the modification. Students tell us that their feedback has informed the proposed modification. They tell us about the opportunities to evaluate theory and practice learning across the programme and that they're listened to by the programme team and PLPs. They confirm that the partnership working approach between the programme team and PLPs is effective and supports their learning. There are processes in place to listen to and address student concerns. Students, practice assessors and practice supervisors tell us that they know how to raise concerns and how reasonable adjustments are used to support student learning. Students tell us that the programme team provide excellent support, guidance and actively listen to and act on their feedback, answer questions and support them if they raise any concerns.

Documentary evidence confirms that QMU has a PUSC strategy in place. PUSCs tell us that they're actively involved in the programme and that the programme team listen to their views about the proposed programme modification. They describe examples of their involvement across the programme and their contribution to the recruitment and selection processes, delivery of teaching, assessment and evaluation. They tell us that they feel listened to and valued by the programme team, students and PLPs. Students tell us they appreciate and value the contribution of PUSCs across the programme.

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. Unchanged through this modification.

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 tell us about how they've contributed to the modification. They know about and agree with the transfer arrangements. They confirm that they've attended meetings and events and that the student representatives update them on ongoing discussions. There's a clearly documented process to transfer current students onto the modified programme.

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 is implemented in the approved programme.

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 April 2024

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, R2.17, R2.19, R2.20, R3.1, R3.2, R3.4, R3.9, R3.10, R3.15, R3.16; 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
- 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

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. Module descriptors detail how students are supported to experience learning across the four fields of nursing. Documentary evidence confirms and students tell us that they're supported in theory and practice to experience learning opportunities related to the four fields of nursing. The programme team describe how students gain experience of other fields in spoke placements. This process is managed collaboratively by the programme team and the NES practice learning teams. There's evidence of agreed collaborative working with for example learning disabilities teams in partnership with PLPs and AEs across Scotland. These opportunities ensure that students experience and are supported to learn about caring for people with learning disabilities in adult settings. The curriculum design, inter-professional learning and active learning communities support theory and practice learning across the lifespan and the four fields of nursing practice. Cross field learning is further supported by programme team members who have a range

of clinical backgrounds and who are registered mental health nurses, children's nurses, learning disabilities nurses and specialist community public health nurses.

- 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. Unchanged through this modification.

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

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

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. Documentary evidence confirms that the programme is mapped to field specific content in relation to the law, safeguarding, consent, pharmacology and medicines administration and optimisation. This is demonstrated across the module content.

- 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. Documentary evidence detailed in the module descriptors and programme specifications confirm that the programme structure continues to provide an equal balance of 50 percent theory and 50 percent practice learning. There are appropriate programme aims, learning outcomes and module content to meet the programme outcomes. There's a range of effective teaching and learning strategies including blended learning approaches, practical work, group work, lectures and active learning communities. Active learning communities are a key component of the programme. They provide opportunities for students to develop and support learning and understand how this applies in challenging practice clinical settings. The strategy enables students to reflect and consolidate theory and how this applies to the practice learning experiences that are assessed in the Scottish PAD. Blended learning approaches are used for directed learning in physiology, using recorded lectures, online activities and simulated theory learning. Students' understanding and application of physiology are assessed using multiple choice and integrated objective structured clinical assessments. The strategies and range of assessments across the programme enable students to demonstrate and develop their learning to support progression towards achievement of the programme outcomes.

- 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 isn't delivered in Wales.

- 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The programme doesn't lead to registration in two fields of nursing.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
The programme doesn't lead to a registration in another profession.		
Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to curricula 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 curricula and assessment 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 April 2024		
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 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, R2.15; 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. Unchanged through this modification.

- 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 NO

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

YES NO

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

YES NO

Outcome		
Is the standard met?	MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 24 April 2024		
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
<p>Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:</p> <p>R4.1 ensure that support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC <i>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</i></p> <p>R4.2 ensure that support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC <i>Standards for student supervision and assessment</i></p> <p>R4.3 ensure they inform the NMC of the name of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme</p> <p>R4.4 provide students with constructive feedback throughout the programme to support their development</p> <p>R4.5 ensure throughout the programme that students meet the <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses</i> and programme outcomes for their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing</p> <p>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%</p> <p>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</p> <p>R4.8 assess students to confirm proficiency in preparation for professional practice as a registered nurse</p> <p>R4.9 ensure that there is equal weighting in the assessment of theory and practice</p> <p>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 <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses</i>.</p>

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically: R2.12; R3.5, R3.6, R3.8, R3.11, R3.13, R3.14, R3.17; 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. Documentary evidence confirms that there’s appropriate mapping of the curriculum and practice learning to meet the FN:SPRN and programme outcomes for the adult field of nursing practice.

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

- 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 *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* (R4.10)

YES NO

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

YES NO

Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) are met

YES NO

Outcome

Is the standard met?

MET NOT MET

Date: 24 April 2024

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 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.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically R2.12, R2.21

Findings against the standards and requirements

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

- 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 NO

- 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 NO

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 NO N/A

The BSc (Hons) nursing fall back award is a BSc nursing with registration as an adult nurse.

The MN nursing fall back award is a BSc (Hons) nursing with registration as an adult nurse.

Assurance is provided that the Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education relevant to the qualification to be awarded are met

YES NO

Outcome

Is the standard met? MET NOT MET

Date: 24 April 2024

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

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CV of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Registrant academic staff details checked on NMC website	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation: There's no apprenticeship route proposed.		
List additional documentation: Post visit documentation: Response to the university condition signed by the chair of the conjoint approval panel, undated		
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Students	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please identify cohort year/programme of study: MN adult, year one x one. MN adult, year two x one. BSc (Hons) adult, year three x two. MN adult, year four x two. BSc (Hons) adult, year four x one.		
People who use services and carers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation: There's no apprenticeship route proposed.		
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, system regulator reports list:		
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation: QMU is an established AEI, practice and resource visits aren't needed. There are no system regulator reports available.		
Additional comments: None identified.		

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