

Continuing Professional Education (CPE)

Newsletter Spring 2010

Welcome to the Spring 2010 edition of the School of Nursing and Midwifery CPE Newsletter

There have been a few changes of role within the Division in the last few months. Helen Stanley has taken up a secondment at Faculty level overseeing the Graduate Programme in Health and Social Science. Penny Lindley has taken over Helen's role as Assistant Head of School and Head of CPE. Janet Ahmad has taken on Penny's role as Course Leader for the BSc(Hons) Community Specialist Practice, and Annie Jackson as Course Leader for the BSc(Hons) Specialist Community Public Health Nursing. Caroline Hudson is back from maternity leave and co-ordinating the mentorship modules. In the admin team we have welcomed Claire Humphrey and Karen Beer back from maternity leave, Pam McQuaide is the new Return to Practice administrator, and Lawrence Daley has joined us to support the admissions team and the study skills provision.

This newsletter will give you an idea of some of things that have been going on over the last year, and of the opportunities that we provide for your career development. We hope it will be helpful and look forward to welcoming you to modules and courses over the next year.

We hope you will enjoy reading the newsletter and do let us know if there is anything more you would like to see in this newsletter. We welcome your input.

Good luck with your studies!

And finally, **congratulations** to the students who successfully completed their awards this year!

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CPE Open day 2010

This year's open day will be on **Wednesday 5th May 3.30-7pm** at Falmer

Timed appointments will be available for you to meet academic staff to discuss the opportunities open to you. Access booking information on our website from the beginning of April.

On the Web

Details of modules available in the next academic year (2010-2011) are on our website:
http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/modules/Module_Timetable.pdf

Dates will be added as they are confirmed. For the first time the cost of modules is also included which we hope will be helpful both to budget holders and to those of you who may want to self-fund.

To find our **prospectus**:
http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/publications/CPE_Prospectus.pdf

How to apply visit:
<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/apply.php>

Mental Health conference 14th April 2010, SNM Eastbourne campus with Diversity & Internationalism workshops

Key note lecturer will be Georgina Wakefield – National Mental health Campaigner who will discuss the families' journey of dealing with mental health issues.

If you wish to attend this conference and interact with professionals, carers and service users places are free but limited
Contact Alison Keen:
a.keen@bton.ac.uk

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What's new in CPE?

Prescribing

Stevan Monkley-Poole, Senior Lecturer, has taken on module leadership for non-medical prescribing. For more information about this module please visit:

<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/modules/sup-prescribing.php>

Library news

If you are having difficulties trying to access the new version of Studentcentral (SNM's online learning environment) the library recommends using a different browser such as Firefox which can be downloaded for free via the Internet at:

<http://www.mozilla-europe.org/en/firefox/>

Change in levels

In 2008, the Quality Assurance Agency designated a national credit framework for Higher Education in England. The aim was to bring credit systems in use within Higher Education in line nationally, and to align them internationally with European higher education within a Framework for Higher Education.

From January 2010, the University of Brighton adopted the national framework of levels. **Former levels 1, 2, 3 and M are now levels 4, 5, 6 and 7 respectively.**

New module for Cancer Pathway

NH 3161 Care and management of clients with haemato-oncological conditions is a new 20 credit level 6 module scheduled to start in the autumn for students on the **Cancer Pathway** within the BSc (Hons) Acute Clinical Practice degree. It can also be studied as a stand alone module and will appeal to staff currently working in practice where at least 50% of the caseload consists of patients with a diagnosis of cancer and a significant proportion with blood borne disease. Staff must have at least six months post registration experience and normally be working for a minimum of 15 hours per week. NHS Connected advanced communication skills course attendance or equivalent is also highly recommended as a pre-requisite but not essential. This module is one of six that can be studied as part of the 60 level 6 credits required for the Cancer Pathway. Other modules include **The administration and safe handling of cytotoxic drugs** (by work-based learning), **Acute cancer care**, **Living with cancer** and **End of life: Principles of care**.

Please contact Debbie Hatfield, Senior Lecturer/ Cancer Pathway Leader for further information on tel. 01323 417400 ext 3501 or e-mail D.Hatfield@brighton.ac.uk

India – December 2009

Penny Lindley and Debbie Hatfield, School of Nursing and Midwifery will be reflecting on their recent visit to Vellore, Tamil Nadu



When: Thursday 25 March 2010, 5.00 – 7.00 pm

Where: Room 201/202 Robert Dodd Building, Meads Campus, Eastbourne

- Community health & development
- Rehabilitation & therapy services
- Rural Unit for Health & Social Affairs
- Palliative care
- Eye camp
- Low cost effective care unit
- Self-help groups



All welcome. Come and join us for a flavour of India.

Booking: To confirm a place please contact Emilia Poisson 01273 644012
E.Poisson@brighton.ac.uk

Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Learning Adviser – Debbie Hatfield

My signposting role as **CPE Learning Adviser** is for nurses, midwives and specialist community public health nurses to help them navigate a path through our continuing education provision.

Apart from the occasional request for a job and how to become a nurse, midwife or paramedic, the majority of enquiries I receive concern how to use existing academic credit and what degrees or courses does the School run. My role has become busier in the eighteen months since I took on the role. In 2009, I dealt with over 200 enquiries mostly by e-mail or telephone. In the first two months of this year, I have received 50 or so enquiries.

Maybe it is the move to all graduate professions but staff in practice typically want to know about credit they have achieved, if it counts towards a pathway or degree and what can they study. I also answer queries about accrediting prior experience and learning (APEL) and recognising and accrediting work-related learning (RAWL). Most people are pleasantly surprised at how much credit they can achieve with this type of flexible learning. So, if you are not sure what to do next with your studies or how to use that old module, do get in touch.

Debbie Hatfield, Senior Lecturer for further information on tel. 01323 417400 ext 3501 or e-mail D.Hatfield@brighton.ac.uk



Applications for Study

A big hello from Karen and Nicky, the CPE admissions team, we're here to help you with any questions you may have about the application process, feel free to contact us at: namcpeadmissions@bton.ac.uk

All the information you need to apply for a CPE course is now on the website. You can download the application form and print it out <http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/apply.php>

We have one application form for all **UGCPE** students whether you are applying for a single module or award or you are already studying for an award.

Postgraduate students (masters level courses) should apply for courses via the SNM Graduate Programmes Administrator, Jenny Kam: 01273 64 4076 nam.pg@bton.ac.uk and for applications for single modules please contact: gphss@bton.ac.uk

Top tips to get the best out of the application process are:

Remember get your application to your Trust panel for agreement and apply early

We need to receive your application for semester 1 by 30th June 2010

Modules starting late in the semester may have a later cut off date, see the module timetable at: http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/modules/Module_Timetable.pdf

Print clearly especially your email address

The information you give us on the application form is put into a database and we can allocate you a place on your chosen course more quickly with a clear form.

Fill out all the boxes

Keep a copy of your form

Every year a couple go missing in the post, we can resolve this quickly if you have a copy of the form to send us.

Keep an eye out for your receipt

We send a receipt email when we receive your form, keep an eye out for this so that you know we've received it.

Look out for your offer letter

After the closing date we will send you out an offer letter with details of how to enrol and the course timetable. Please keep an eye out and get in touch if you don't hear from us.

If you need us, get in touch

We are here to help you and answer any questions you may have, the phones are open from 9-2 Monday to Friday, 01274 644016 or 01273 644039, answer phone outside these hours, and our inbox is always there:

namcpeadmissions@bton.ac.uk

We wish you the very best of luck in applying for your course, and hope to hear from you soon.

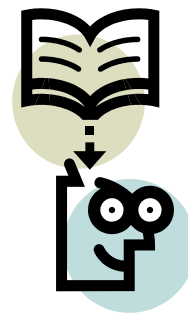
Karen and Nicky
CPE Admissions



Modules

There are a wide range of clinical and professional modules available to take as stand alone CPE or build into pathways or degree/masters courses and our website is continually updated. Here are a selection of modules that are frequently requested:

Study Skills and IT



Visit our study skills information on our website:

<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/environment/studyskills.php>

The following modules/workshops are available:

- level 2 Study Skills and IT module directed at students who have never written a referenced essay or studied at level 5 (previously level 2)
- a new on-line/blended level 6 module (previously level 3)
- a Study Skills Revision Day offered in the Diary of Events for those who want to brush up their essay writing and referencing skills.

Places can be booked on modules through Lawrence Daley:

01273 644095

L.Daley@bton.ac.uk

To book on the One Day Study Skills Revision Day go to:

<http://www.inam.brighton.ac.uk/events> or contact Linda Bowdler: 01424 755470 ext 8676

Return to Practice for Nursing and Specialist Community Public Health Nursing NA262

This module is for nurses who have been out of nursing practice, and for whom their NMC PIN has elapsed. The module takes place three times a year, namely January, April and September and is usually offered at the Falmer campus.

This module enables all returnees from mental health, adult nursing, learning disability, children and specialist community public health nurses to prepare for return to practice in a friendly environment. Knowledge and skills are shared to enable a confident and competent

practitioner to re-register with the NMC.

The programme takes place over a 12 week period, one day per week at the university and a minimum of 100 hours takes place in a clinical area.

For more information please contact: Ali Lane, Module leader
01424 756 241
A.M.Lane@bton.ac.uk
or Pam McQuaide, Administrator
01273 644071
P.A.McQuaide@bton.ac.uk

Are you interested in developing your skills for teaching in practice?

Mentor Preparation Module and Sign-off Mentors

This is a 10 credit module and offered as taught and open-learning versions across a number of Trust sites. The application form is available online at <http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/apply.php>

Sign off mentors

The NMC states that for student nurses, Sign-off mentors only need to be in place on the **final** placement of a course leading to a registerable or recordable qualification on the NMC Register.

Please note that for the BSc (Hons)/MSc Specialist Community Public Health Nursing Course, there has to be a Practice Teacher rather than a Sign off mentor.

In relation to midwifery, Sign-off mentors are required throughout the duration of all midwifery courses

The SNM are working closely with our trust partners to prepare mentors for this additional role, which will also involve a triennial review in practice. For more information on how this has been implemented in your trust, contact your Educational lead or Placement Education Facilitator.

Practice Teacher Module

Learning, Teaching and Assessment in Practice

Are you looking for a teaching programme that prepares you to teach, assess and become a Practice Teacher or “sign off mentor” in advanced and specialist practice areas?

The Module:

In response to the publication of the NMC’s new Standards for Practice Teachers, a shared level 3/masters 20 credit module has been developed to prepare you with the knowledge and skills to teach and assess in practice at Level III and above.

For more information contact:
Helen Stanley, Acting Module Leader, 01273 644014:
H.F.Stanley@brighton.ac.uk

Post Graduate Certificate in Health and Social Care Education

This course attracts a range of health care professionals who wish to develop their skills and knowledge in teaching and assessing in both practice and in higher education, and is recordable with the NMC to achieve Qualified Teacher Status for nurses and midwives.

For more information contact:
Helen Stanley, Acting Course Leader see contact details above

Flexible Learning Framework

The framework includes flexible modes of learning which include **AP(E)L, RAWL, Professional Accreditation** and **ReQ** as well as **work-based learning (WBL)** modules which can focus on skills, role development and project work.

WBL is a negotiated form of learning through a tripartite learning contract between the HEI, the work organisation and the individual and involves elements of work-based assessment.

For more information contact:
Dr Charlotte Ramage
c.m.ramage@bton.ac.uk

or Linda Bowdler, Administrator:
L.Bowdler@bton.ac.uk

Accreditation of prior (experiential) learning (AP(E)L)

recognises the learning that practitioners have already undertaken. APL enables students to transfer credits gained in one higher education institution (HEI) to another HEI. There is now an agreement regarding transfer of relevant credit between the four HEIs in the South East Coast Strategic Health Authority. For more detail speak to your Course Leader.

Recognising and accrediting workrelated learning (RAWL)

RAWL is a similar scheme to AP(E)L and is likely to follow on from a learning unit, such as a quality-approved in-house event or other workplace learning that takes place outside of the university and is not associated with an award. The credit claimed is not linked to an award but can be transferred to an award at a later stage.

For more information: Debbie Hatfield, AP(E)L and RAWL Co-ordinator 01323 417400 ext. 3501
D.Hatfield@bton.ac.uk

Recognising educational Quality

ReQ™ is awarded to an organisation that fulfils predetermined standards on the quality of a professional learning experience, such as a conference, in-house study days or a workshop by confirming quality standards have been met.

For more information about ReQ™: Debbie Hatfield or Charlotte Ramage (contact details above).

Study Days and Workshops - Diary of Events

An extensive range of study days and workshops are available:
<http://www.inam.brighton.ac.uk/events>
For more information please email:
nam.diaryofevents@bton.ac.uk

We can arrange bespoke study days and workshops via our Educational Consultancy service.

Funding for courses

Most staff are supported for the cost of their CPE via their NHS Trust or employer. However, there may be times when this is not available for a number of reasons and other sources of sponsorship or self-funding may be necessary.

Nurses may find their professional organisation such as the RCN or RCM may have funds for study if they wish to self-fund. For other sources contact

<http://www.rcn.org.uk/membership/scholarshipsawards/rcnmembers/>

<http://www.rcm.org.uk/college/professional-development/bursaries-and-scholarships/>

Remember, University of Brighton graduates receive a 15% reduction on postgraduate fees.

To enable nurses in clinical nursing to undertake further education, research or a clinical project, the Barbers' Company Clinical Nursing Scholarship of up to £5000 is offered for the fees or subsistence of a nurse normally undertaking a masters programme in an academic department in the UK. For more information contact (0)24 761 50618, email: p.d.kent@warwick.ac.uk

Other sources of funding may be available within your trust, so do discuss this with the Trust or PCT Education Lead.

UGCPE Courses and Pathways

BSc (Hons) Acute Clinical Practice

This undergraduate, post-registration degree is ideal for practitioners working in areas of acute practice within acute NHS Trusts. The programme is part-time and allows practitioners to choose from more than 40 modules covering a wide range of clinical topics, such as 'acute stroke care', 'physical assessment' and 'care of

the acutely ill adult patient'. Modules offered include 10 credits modules (5 study days), 20 credit modules (10 study days) and 30 credit modules (15 study days).

The modules are grouped together into 'clinical pathways' and there are currently 11 clinical pathways offered; these are listed below and include an email address to contact the pathway leader or course leader:

- Acute Care – Fiona Creed
F.Creed@bton.ac.uk
- Cancer – Debbie Hatfield
D.Hatfield@bton.ac.uk
- Cardiology - Chrissie Spiers
C.M.Spiers@bton.ac.uk
- Cardiac Surgery – Chrissie Spiers
C.M.Spiers@bton.ac.uk
- Child – Susanne Simmons
S.J.Simmons@bton.ac.uk
- Intensive Care – Fiona Creed or Heather Baid
H.Baid@bton.ac.uk
- Neonatal – Susanne Simmons
S.J.Simmons@bton.ac.uk
- Ophthalmology – Gaynor Paul – Gaynor.Paul@bsuh.nhs.uk
- Plastics, reconstructive and burns surgery – Chrissie Spiers
C.M.Spiers@bton.ac.uk
- Renal – Chrissie Spiers
C.M.Spiers@bton.ac.uk
- Urgent and Emergency Care – Christine Crawford
cc46@bton.ac.uk

Entry requirements include 120 credits at level 2 (Diploma in Nursing or NARIC equivalent) and employment within an appropriate clinical environment. Candidates who successfully complete 60 credits at level 3 are eligible for an ordinary degree, candidates who successfully complete 120 credits at level 3 are eligible for an honours degree.

Look at the website for further information:

<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/snm/courses/post-reg/modules>

Or contact the Course Leader – Chrissie Spiers
C.M.Spiers@brighton.ac.uk



New textbook – coming soon!

A new textbook edited by two acute care lecturers at the University of Brighton is due for publication in March 2010. '**Care of the acutely ill adult: an essential guide for nurses**' edited by **Fiona Creed and Chrissie Spiers** is published by Oxford University Press and is keenly priced at £24.95.

This key textbook aims to equip nurses with the knowledge and skills required to care for the deteriorating patient in the clinical environment. Derived from the recent NICE guidelines and the Department of Health competencies, this book emphasises the assessment, recognition and rapid escalation required for this group of patients. A unique system based approach with structured learning outcomes and competency based skills assessment makes this book an essential guide for clinical practitioners and will complement your studies on the BSc Acute Clinical Practice or on one of the Acute Clinical Practice clinical pathways at the University of Brighton.



What's your next step?

Thinking of developing your career in Community Nursing or Primary Care? Our exciting courses will prepare you for practice in these fields:

Specialist Community Public Health Nursing
BSc(Hons)/PGDip/MSc
Health visiting & School Nursing

Community Specialist Practice
BSc(Hons)/PGDip/MSc
District Nursing
General Practice Nursing & Community Mental Health Nursing

Courses begin in September 2010.
Closing date for applications is 9 April 2010.
Applicants must be sponsored or seconded.
To find out more:
Claire Humphrey on 01273 644037
or email us at nam.cpd@brighton.ac.uk.

BSc (Hons)/MSc Community Specialist Practice

BSc/MSc/Post Graduate Diploma Specialist Community Public Health Nursing

The courses can be undertaken at BSc (Hons) or Masters level, both enabling achievement of a recorded qualification with the NMC across three pathways, Community Mental Health Nursing, General Practice Nursing, and District Nursing / Nursing in the Home.

The Specialist Community Public Health Nursing Msc/PGDip/BSc (Hons) offers a registered qualification as a Specialist Community Public Health Nurse with the NMC across Public Health Nursing/Health Visiting, and School Nursing.

For an application pack contact nam.cpd@bton.ac.uk

or
Claire Humphrey 01273-644037
C.L.Humphrey@bton.ac.uk

BSc (Hons) Nurse Practitioner

This course continues to attract applicants from all areas of nursing and currently there are students enjoying their studies on all the three pathways – adult, mental health and child health. Successful completion of the course awards nurses with a degree as well as a recordable qualification as a specialist practitioner in one of the above pathways.

Most nurses take this course over 2-3 years in order to fit modules more comfortably into work and life commitments. Some do take the course full-time over one year but this depends on the modules chosen. The course is designed to be as flexible as possible with only two mandatory modules making up 60 credits and the remaining 60 credits required coming from choice modules.

This qualification is enabling practitioners to extend their practice into new areas of expertise as well as to find new enhanced roles. So if your work life needs a kick-start, get more information and application details from:

Janet Ahmad 01273 644027
J.E.Ahmad@bton.ac.uk
For an application pack contact nam.cpd@bton.ac.uk or
Claire Humphrey 01273-644037
C.L.Humphrey@bton.ac.uk



BA (Hons) Health Studies Full time/Part time top up degree for Diplomats

This course is aimed at students who have a diploma/relevant Foundation Degree and want to 'top up' to a Bachelor Honours. This can be taken as a full time course of one year (2-3 days attendance per week) or part time over 2 years (1-2 days attendance per week) and costs £3225 (2009/10). Students currently enrolled on the course are from a range of nursing backgrounds and are enjoying studying non clinical modules. They identify that the course is enabling them to study health in the broadest sense and will aide their future career choices.

Students enrolled on this course are eligible for student loan support or a University of Brighton Bursary
<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/prospectve/undergrad/fees/index.php>

Contact Nita Muir (course leader)
N.Muir@bton.ac.uk or
nam.cpd@bton.ac.uk

BSc (Hons) Professional Practice

This course has the flexibility to meet a broad range of students' professional experiences.

For more information about the **whole course** contact Marian Willmer, Course Leader on 01273 644086, m.willmer@bton.ac.uk

There are five pathways, for more information contact the Pathway Leader:

- End of Life Care – Paul Watters P.Watters@bton.ac.uk
- Long Term Conditions – Janet Ahmad J.E.Ahmad@bton.ac.uk
- Mental Health and Psychological Care – Sharon de Goeas s.m.d.e.goeas@bton.ac.uk
- Professional Practice – Marion Willmer m.willmer@bton.ac.uk
- Sexual Reproductive Health – Jonathan Roberts Jwr10@bton.ac.uk

Postgraduate CPE newsletter

The modules and courses of the postgraduate CPE provision are being continually updated to maintain currency in the changing world of practice. There is an on-line brochure that can be downloaded and 'Module Finder' can be accessed to see what modules and courses are offered in your area across the whole Faculty of Health and Social Science. Visit the website:

<http://www.brighton.ac.uk/hss/courses/gphss/>

For an application pack for all Masters courses, unless specified otherwise contact Jenny Kam: 01273 64 4076
nam.pg@bton.ac.uk

Enrolment and Fee Payments

To all postgraduate students, whether new or re-enrolling, when returning your completed Fees Payment Form for the graduate programme, please ensure that you complete the section regarding sponsorship and include whether you are being sponsored by your NHS Trust, signed by your Trust designated signatory.

MSc Advanced Nurse Practitioner

This is an exciting and flexible course for experienced nurses in advanced and autonomous roles, who would like to enhance their practice through study at Masters level.

For more information please contact Annie Chellel: 01273 64 4061
A.P.Chellel@bton.ac.uk

MSc Clinical Studies

This course has been specifically designed for experienced health care professionals (e.g. clinicians, managers, educators and specialists) who would like to advance their current role in practice. The course is highly flexible and draws on a wide selection of modules in the Graduate programme. The award can be combined with management or education.

For more information about MSc Clinical Studies contact the Course Leader Carole Cheales 01273 644011
C.B.Cheales@bton.ac.uk

MSc/PGDip Cognitive Behavioural Therapy

This course is part of the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) agenda. The first intake completed in October 2009. The students come from a wide range of mental health and psychological care backgrounds. Lydia Turner and Michelle McAlpine lead the course team and work closely with Sussex Partnership to recruit to the course.

For more information and application details contact Kerri Maher: K.Maher@brighton.ac.uk

MSc Health

This course covers the disciplines associated with health, health care and applied social science, and is aimed at people in public service employment or who may be engaged in community or voluntary activity. The syllabus is extremely flexible within a wide framework, allowing you to tailor the course to your needs.

The award can be combined with management (full time or part time) or education (part time only).

For more information please contact the course leader Linnette King: 01273 644 060 L.king@bton.ac.uk

Interested in developing expertise in safe guarding children?

The Masters safe guarding modules now sit within the MSc Health. NAM 72 **Leadership and decision making in safe guarding children** will be delivered for the fourth time from April – December 2010. Students are experienced practitioners with a variety of professional backgrounds drawn from a cross section of health, social care and educational settings; all have a responsibility for

safeguarding and child protection within their professional roles. The modules have been consistently well evaluated and continue to offer an exceptional opportunity for inter-professional learning in respect of key contemporary issues within Safeguarding and Child Protection.

Those of you wishing to study at undergraduate level might want to consider **NH3137 - Child protection enhancing practice**, which sits within BSc (Hons) Acute Clinical Practice

For more information contact Jan Nelmes Module Leader 01273 64 4074
J.E.Nelmes@bton.ac.uk

MA Health Promotion/ International Health Promotion

Dr Arantxa Santa-Maria Morales, is taking these courses through periodic review this summer. A new and exciting format is proposed. The courses can be studied full or part time and are attractive to students nationally and internationally. The MA Health Promotion can be combined with management or education.

For more information contact A.Santa-MariaMorales@brighton.ac.uk 01273 644035

Midwifery

Midwives can study either specific masters' programmes such as MSc Clinical Studies or MSc Health, where they can undertake midwifery modules. In addition, midwives can undertake the following as discrete modules as part of their professional updating and to meet Agenda for change requirements;

- NAM 90 Redefining midwifery practice
- NAM 34 Exercise and nutrition in childbearing
- MP 307/NAM 54 Preparation of Supervisors of midwives

For information contact Jenny Kam on 01273 644076
nam.pg@bton.ac.uk

If you have been out of midwifery practice for over 3 years, you can undertake the Return to Midwifery Practice module.

Pam McQuaide
01273 644095

P.A.Mcquaide@bton.ac.uk

Adult nurses who wish to become midwives, can apply to undertake the 18 month BSc (Hons) Midwifery Course. Email

nam.admissions@bton.ac.uk

Dissertation (NAM96)

Three dissertation introductory days are scheduled each academic year. These sessions will help you to focus on what is required for the dissertation outline that needs to be submitted for approval before you commence work on your dissertation.

To attend a dissertation introduction session please contact your course leader and Jenny Kam on 01273 644076 nam.pg@bton.ac.uk



International Health Studies and Liaison

There is a lot of activity in the school with this group who are supporting a range of projects in Sri Lanka, Zambia and within Europe.

Partnership with University Teaching Hospital (UTH), Lusaka, Zambia, Brighton Sussex University Hospital

<http://www.bsuh.nhs.uk/about-us/fundraising/lusaka-brighton-link/>

We have been successful in receiving a grant from the British Council/Education Partnerships in Africa to support our current project

work with the Schools of Nursing at the University Teaching Hospital, Lusaka. We are working with colleagues at UTH to support them in writing and implementing a brand new post registration nursing curriculum. This will be a Zambia wide curriculum and will be one of very few continuing professional opportunities for Zambian nursing in-country. The focus of the curriculum will be to develop nursing competencies and knowledge for those dealing with critically ill patients.

The curriculum is currently being reviewed by the General Nursing council in Zambia. We will be hosting two visiting nurse educators at the SNM in 2010.

Contact Nita Muir for further information

N.Muir@bton.ac.uk

Placement Opportunities for ALL Nursing and Midwifery students in Europe

We are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity for our CPE students to undertake a placement with one of 25 European partners in an area of clinical experience of their choice and to gain academic credit. This can be taken as a module (NA3153) and recent applicants are focusing on ophthalmology clinical areas. The next run of this module will be in October 2010.

The SNM educators are engaging in European and International Initiatives

Throughout this year your course/pathway leaders/module leaders have been undertaking a range of International experiences themselves.

Kevin Barrett (Course leader for Paramedicine) is travelling to Sweden, *Annie Rimmer* (Midwifery lecturer) is travelling to the Cze Republic, these opportunities are funded by an Erasmus scholarship. *Penny Lindley* (Assistant Head) and *Debbie Hatfield* (CPE advisor)

recently completed a privately funded study tour to India.

Nita Muir (Course Leader for BA (Hons) Health Studies) presented at the International Council of Nurses (ICN) congress in Durban, South Africa in 2009. 5000 nurses from across the world attended this meeting and it was really quite inspirational.

Congratulations also to *Dr Catherine Caballero* (Module leader for Qualitative research) for securing a scholarship at Monash University, Melbourne to collaborate in the research on simulation and decision making where she will travel in the summer 2010.

European – Canadian Initiative in International Health promotion- Student opportunities

The International Health Development Research Centre (IHDRC) recently launched a three-year Canadian-European initiative to enhance education and training in the field of international health promotion. Funded by the European Commission's Education Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) in Europe, and by the Ministry of Human Resources and Skills Development (HRSD) in Canada, the Trans-Atlantic Exchange Partnerships (TEP) project seeks to create sustainable global resources for advanced study in HP, particularly regarding student exchange and curriculum development.

The TEP programme will provide ten postgraduate students with the opportunity to study in Canada from four- twelve months. With bursaries to support travel and living costs, students will be able to travel to Canada to take courses, complete internships, engage in research practice, join conferences, and/or attend summer schools. These opportunities are available for all Post graduate students whose study generally link to the broader field of Health Promotion, and who will contribute to an expanding and interdisciplinary global HP focus. For further information contact: g.b.flood@bton.ac.uk