

Diploma in Health Science

MQF Level 5 | 60 ECTS







ABOUT US

Founded in 2005 as IDEA Leadership and Management Institute, IDEA Academy has since evolved into one of Malta's leading higher education institutions accredited by the Malta Further and Higher Education Authority. We offer a selection of accredited, industry-led programmes in a wide variety of fields, from foundation programmes right up to doctorate.

Our mission is to provide quality, industrydriven education to adult students who are already practitioners and professionals. In doing so, we adopt a student-centric blended approach to learning that is flexible and allows one to balance between personal, professional, and student life.



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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Higher Diploma in Health Science aims to prepare you for more advanced health-related careers, as well as opens up academic pathways allowing you to progress to a bachelor's and, later, to a master's level.

This programme will advance your knowledge, skills and competences that will help you deal with patients with health issues, as well as with challenges presented in working with multidisciplinary teams within healthcare settings.

The course covers the different developmental, physical, psychological, spiritual and mental aspects of human health, as well as the tools required to deal with illness and challenging behaviour.



CAREER PATHS

The programme aims to prepare second level nurses to progress to first level nurses.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This course is targeted at:

- second level nurses who hold an EQF Level 4 certificate in Nursing;
- candidates who are employed within the healthcare sector and possess an EQF Level 4 Diploma qualification (or equivalent) in healthcare/health science or other relevant and related sectors, such as carers, medical assistants, home health aides, orderlies and administrators, amongst others;
- candidates seeking a career in the healthcare sector;
- candidates who wish to progress in their studies along the further and higher education route, whilst broadening their chances of advancing in their own career path.

STRUCTURE & ASSESSMENT

The programme comprises a total of 9 modules. Methods of assessment depend on the module and can be assessed in various modes. Selfstudy hours comprising research, reading and assignment work.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates who apply for this course must:

 be second level nurses in possession of a minimum Level 4 Certificate in Nursing (or comparable as per the MQRIC);

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possess a qualification at EQF Level 4 (one 'A' Level or equivalent, preferably in science) or – if the 'A' level is not in a science subject – a pass in Biology, Chemistry or Physics at EQF Level 3 ('O' Level or equivalent) is required.

Preference will be given to prospective applicants who have a minimum of a year of work experience in the healthcare sector.

Students whose first language is not English will be required to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

COST

Reading for the entire Diploma in Health Science as presented in this brochure costs €7,150

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be eligible for a 70% refund of the cost through the 'Get Qualified' scheme.**

Due to the modular structure of the course, you may also opt to take individual modules as stand-alone. The entry requirements still apply.***

^{**} Terms and Conditions apply.

^{***} For the price of individual modules, please contact the IDEA Academy team.



PROGRAMME OUTLINE

| MODULE/UNIT TITLE | COMPULSORY OR ELECTIVE | ECTS |
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| 1. Medical and Surgical Care | Compulsory | 12 ECTS |
| 2. Introduction to Elderly Care | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 3. Mental Health Disorders | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 4. Introduction to Ethical Issues in Healthcare | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 5. Introduction to Mental Health | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 6. Nutritional Health | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 7. Mother and Child Care | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 8. Infection Control | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |
| 9. Professional Development | Compulsory | 6 ECTS |

You are required to complete all 9 compulsory modules to obtain the Diploma in Health Science.

Total credits: 60







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