

CARDIAC NURSING POST-BASIC CERTIFICATE

Faculty of Nursing

Department of Interprofessional Education and Simulation Learning
MacEwan.ca/CardiacNursing (<http://MacEwan.ca/CardiacNursing>)

The Cardiac Nursing Post-basic certificate is intended for experienced nurses who are currently working in cardiac sciences, as well as for those who have an interest in caring for the cardiac population. The program provides registered nurses with the specialty knowledge and expertise required to work with patients with or at risk for cardiac disease. The entire patient journey is addressed, including health promotion, disease prevention, management of acute episodes and chronic conditions, rehabilitation and palliation. The program prepares cardiac nurses to provide care to individual families, groups, communities and populations in a variety of settings in both urban and rural environments.

Online delivery courses offer mature learners the flexibility to balance their studies with professional commitments and family responsibilities.

Career Potential

A broad spectrum of employment opportunities are available for qualified cardiac nurses. Graduates work in emergency departments, coronary care units, medical units, diagnostic imaging centres, rehabilitation settings, research areas and out-patient units. Because nurses have contact with cardiac patients in a myriad of settings, they are strategically positioned to confront cardiac disease and to educate patients and their families about the disease and its treatment.

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Categories of Admission

Applicants may be admitted to the following:

Regular Admission

To be evaluated through the Office of the University

Applicants must have, at minimum, a diploma in nursing or advanced care paramedicine.

Additional Admission Criteria

All applicants must meet the following:

1. English Language Proficiency

To be evaluated through the Office of the University Registrar

Applicable to All Admission Categories

All applicants must meet an acceptable level of English language proficiency. We will require official documents such as high school or post-secondary transcripts or proof of successful completion of standardized language evaluation. Full details are available in MacEwan University's academic calendar or online at MacEwan.ca/ELP (<http://MacEwan.ca/ELP>).

Program of Study

Course ID	Course Name	Credits
PBNS 465	Pathophysiology of Cardiac Disorders ¹	3
PBNS 466	Focused Assessment of Cardiac Function ¹	3
PBNS 467	Management of Cardiac Disorders ¹	3
PBNS 468	Care of Cardiac Surgical Patient ¹	4
PBNS 469	Advanced Management of Cardiac Disorders ¹	4
Total Credits		17

¹ The minimum passing grade for this course is a C-.

The minimum passing grade for a course at MacEwan University is a D unless otherwise noted next to the appropriate course in the program of study.