

## Nursing Placement Information - 2023/24

We at Northumbria University value the student placement support that we receive from our practice partners in the private, voluntary and independent placement areas.

Facilitation of student nurse placements from our partners provides excellent and valued learning for our student nurses in the clinical and home environments which are part of statutory requirements for nurse education and subsequent registration.

Please find some information about the curriculum which was introduced by The Nursing and Midwifery Council

The NMC introduced The *Future Nurse* as part of a series of changes in 2018; the updated standards also changed how nurses and midwives can be supervised and assessed in practice. More information can be found on the NMC website:

<https://www.nmc.org.uk/standards/standards-for-nurses/>

Northumbria University values the new curriculum which significantly contributes to a nursing workforce that is fit for purpose in the future.

The future workforce is dependent on placement opportunities, and this is where we value your continued support.

### **Practice Placement and University Experience**

Under the new curriculum, for most of their programme, students spend 3 days in practice and 2 days in university. (22.5hrs/week)

Placements are between 09–14-week placements where the student can be a valued team member in a supernumerary capacity.

Student learning can be facilitated with all team members and the wider multi professional team.

Longer placements provide continuity and an excellent opportunity for students to progress through proficiencies with various levels of supervision.

We value the opportunity for our students to attend home visits while on placement. This enables students to meet the EU Directive to attend a designated number of home visit learning experiences.

Practice areas can benefit from Northumbria University Partnerships within their monitoring and governance requirements by the involvement of teaching and assessing students.

Supporting students evidences a research rich practice area and supports our registered nurse practitioners to address their statutory Code of Practice to support learners.

### **When will students attend?**

Primary care placements have evaluated extremely well and remain central to the students' learning experiences. There are several opportunities across the year for you to be able to support our students and these are outlined below. **We are currently requesting offers for the placements highlighted in yellow.**

Nursing field	Year	Experience	Hours per week/dates
Adult	Two <i>Developing skills</i>	<b>Primary and Community Care Experience:</b> This is a 09 to 14-week assessed experience.	02/10/23 - 17/12/23 (11wks – 22.5hrs)  22/01/24 - 24/03/24 (09 wks – 22.5hrs)  <b>15/04/24 – 30/06/24</b> <b>not w/c 15/05/23</b> <b>(10wk – 22.5hrs)</b>
Adult	Three <i>Developing skills</i>	<b>Primary and Community Care Experience:</b> This is a 09 to 12-week assessed experience.	02/10/23 -17/12/23 (11 wks – 22.5hrs)

			22/01/24 - 24/03/24 (09 wks – 22.5hrs wks 1-2 & 30hrs wks 3-9)
<b>Adult</b>	<b>Three</b> <i>Leadership and Management</i>	<b>Internship:</b> Students will express interest in completing their nursing programme in a primary care setting.	(final placement in year 3) <b>13/05/24 – 04/08/24</b> <b>37.5hrs 12 wks</b>

Nursing field	Year	Experience	Hours per week/dates
<b>Child</b>	<b>Two</b> <i>Developing skills</i>	<b>Mental Health and Community Care Experience:</b> This is a 09 to 13-week assessed experience. Students will spend between 4-5 weeks within a mental health service – to be arranged by the university.	02/10/23 - 17/12/23 (11wks – 22.5hrs)  22/01/24 - 24/03/24 (09 wks – 22.5hrs)  <b>15/04/24 – 30/06/24</b> <b>not w/c 15/05/23</b> <b>(10wk – 22.5hrs)</b>
<b>Child</b>	<b>Three</b> <i>Developing skills</i>	<b>Mental Health and Community Care Experience:</b> This is a 09 to 12-week assessed experience. Students will spend 4-5 weeks within a mental health service – to be arranged by the university.	02/10/23 -17/12/23 (11 wks – 22.5hrs)  22/01/24 - 24/03/24 (09 wks – 22.5hrs wks 1-2 & 30hrs wks 3-9)

### **Is placement tariff continuing with Future Nurse curriculum?**

Yes, payment will be aligned to the HEE tariff for 2023/24 – more information can be found on the [DHSC website](#).

### **How will the University work with us?**

Northumbria University have developed a Practice Learning Team who can visit students on placement for additional support also, we provide support for Practice Supervisors and Practice Assessors to support students.

Nursing Students have a universal Practice Assessment Document which is electronic and replaces the older paper document.

We have NEPAD (Northeast Practice Assessment Document) online sessions to support practice teams with student documentation.

These are drop-in sessions which are delivered regularly, convenient and contribute to practitioner updates. (Please email Sue Tweddell for session information)

Practitioners who have a Mentor qualification can update to Practice Assessors by completing our convenient online module which issues a certificate of completion for update and Revalidation. Similarly, Nurses without a mentor qualification can complete the module to become Practice Supervisors.

[www.pracedne.co.uk](http://www.pracedne.co.uk)

We support Practice supervisors to progress to Practice Assessors with an online module at no financial cost to our partners, which is convenient and accessible.

<https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/study-at-northumbria/continuing-professional-development-short-courses-specialist-training/mentor-educator-preparation---non-accredited---ac1000/>

## **Placement offers**

We welcome and appreciate all placement offers, if you are able to support even one student it hugely contributes to our future workforce.  
Our team are available for support and welcome meeting our Practice Partners.