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Zadar, home of the oldest Croatian university founded in 1396 was given the opportunity to establish within its university the Department of Health Studies along with the nursing study programme. Founded on the tradition of social sciences and humanities, the Department reinvented study programmes related to health sciences that once existed in Zadar.

The rich tradition of medical sciences in Zadar dates back to:

- The first medical school, founded in 1806
- The first midwifery school founded in 1821 and



- The first organisation of the Red Cross in Croatia, founded in 1878.

The Department of Health Studies is the first department in the field of biomedicine and health founded at the university of Zadar. On 4 December 2007 the Department was accredited for the Professional Undergraduate Study Programme of Nursing and on 2 November 2012 for the Undergraduate University Study Programme of Nursing. From the academic year 2014/2015 the University Study Programme of Nursing has been alligned at 82,3% with all the higher education institutions in the Republic of Croatia.

Since its foundation, the Department has elected more than 100 professors to a titular position, 17 of which were elected into a cummulative work relationship with the Department, namely:

Full Prof. Neven Skitarelić PhD., Assoc. Prof. Ivan Bačić, PhD., Assoc. prof. Robert Karlo, PhD., Assoc. Prof. Suzana Konjevoda, PhD., Assoc. Prof. Zrinjka Paštar, PhD., Assoc. Prof. Tatjana Šimurina, PhD., Assoc. Prof. Dražen Zekanović, PhD., Assis. Prof. Samir Čanović; Assis. Prof. Klaudia Duka Glavor PhD., Assis. Prof. Ivo Klarin, PhD., Assis. Prof. Jakov Mihanović PhD., Assis. Prof. Alan Medić, PhD., Assis. Prof. Anamarija Mrđen, PhD., Assis. Prof. Dario Nakić, PhD., Assis. Prof. Melanija Ražov Radas, PhD., Assis. Prof. Jelena Vučak Lončar PhD., Assis. Prof. Tomislav Sorić, PhD.

The Department has taken five professors into a full-time continuing employment: Assoc. Prof. Nataša Skitarelić PhD.-Head of Department, Prof. Marijana Matek Sarić PhD.- ViceHead of Department, Prof. Boris Dželalija, PhD, Assis. Prof. Marija Ljubičić, PhD and Ivana Gusar, PhD Senior Lecturer also as Marija Predovan Medić, administrative secretary.

The city of Zadar and its administration recognized the exceptional importance of our Study Programmes for the city as well as the region. Therefore, in the academic year of 2008/2009 they assigned the Department facilities in the location of the former Đuro Đaković military barracks, on the address Splitska 1. During 2012, the facilities were adapted and converted to classrooms and well-equipped laboratories.

Both Study programmes of Nursing are implemented by the University of Zadar, Department for Health Studies and Zadar General Hospital.

## **STUDY PROGRAMMES**

### **Undergraduate University Nursing Studies** **(Single-major)**

**Duration of the study:** 6 semesters

**Admission requirements:** completed four-year secondary school

**Competencies acquired upon finishing the study programme:** During the three-year Undergraduate Course the student recieves knowledge on various Healthcare theories, methods and disciplines. The programme is focused on scientific and professional training in the scientific area of biomedicine and Healthcare, in the field of nursing. Students are trained at the University of Zadar, Zadar General Hospital and other Healthcare institutions. The acquired theoretical and practical competencies enable students to continue their studies in the Graduate course in nursing or other related study programmes. On qualifying the Undergraduate course, students can seek employment in any health institution.

Undergraduate course qualifies students to work as higly responsible professionals in organising Healthcare, promoting health, preserving health and improving the society in general.

**Professional title acquired upon finishing the study programme:** Bachelor (baccalaureus) of nursing.



Course list by semesters:

Course unit code	Course	Status	Hours per week			ECTS
			L	S	E	
<b>I SEMESTER</b>						
SSE101	Basic Healthcare	O	40	25	150	10
SSE103	Anatomy	O	30	0	20	3
SSE146	Physiology	O	30	0	20	3
SSE104	Basic of Physics, Radiology and Radiation Protection	O	30	0	0	2
SSE147	Basic of Medical Chemistry and Biochemistry	O	15	5	5	1
SSE105	Dietetics	O	30	30	15	3
SSE107	Social and Health Legislation	O	30	0	0	2
SSE114	Philosophy and Ethics in Nursing	O	30	15	0	2
SSE110	Information and Computer Technology in Healthcare	O	15	0	30	2
JEZ101	English for Nursing I	O	15	0	15	2
<b>II SEMESTER</b>						
SSE102	Healthcare Process	O	50	30	180	11
SSE106	Microbiology and Parasitology	O	30	15	30	3
SSE108	Communication Skills	O	15	0	15	2
SSE109	Pharmacology	O	30	15	15	3
SSE123	Clinical Practice of Healthcare I	O	0	0	120	5
JEZ102	English for Nursing II	O	15	0	15	2
SSE128	Tourism Medicine	E	20	0	15	2
SSE165	First Aid	E	20	0	15	2
SSE211	Basic Environmental Health	E	20	0	15	2
<b>III SEMESTER</b>						
SSE116	Healthcare of Children	O	40	10	90	7
SSE117	Healthcare of Mother	O	25	5	60	6
SSE118	Adult Healthcare I Healthcare of Internal Medicine Patients Healthcare of Infectious Patients Healthcare of Neurological Patients	O	45	20	90	8
SSE149	Sociology of Health	O	30	15	0	2
SSE150	Hygiene and Epidemiology	O	30	15	15	3
SSE151	Pathophysiology	O	30	0	0	2
JEZ203	English for Nursing III	O	15	0	15	2
<b>IV SEMESTER</b>						
SSE141	Public Health	O	30	15	15	3



SSE152	Paediatrics	0	30	0	0	2
SSE132	Organization, Management and Administration in Healthcare	0	30	15	30	4
SSE153	Gynaecology and Obstetrics	0	30	0	0	2
SSE115	Health Psychology	0	30	0	15	2
SSE154	Internal Medicine	0	30	0	0	2
SSE155	Neurology	0	15	0	0	1
SSE156	Dermatology	0	15	0	0	1
SSE157	Infectology	0	15	0	0	1
SSE120	Clinical Propedeutics	0	30	15	30	4
SSE215	Pathology	0	30	0	0	2
SSE111	Clinical Practice of Healthcare II	0	0	0	100	4
JEZ204	English for Nursing IV	0	15	0	15	2
	<b>V SEMESTER</b>					
SSE136	Adult Healthcare II	0	40	10	90	7
SSE138	Healthcare of Psychiatric Patients	0	25	5	60	6
SSE158	Surgery, Traumatology and Orthopedics	0	30	0	0	2
SSE159	Otorhinolaryngology	0	15	0	0	1
SSE160	Ophthalmology	0	15	0	0	1
SSE143	Psychiatry and Mental Health	0	30	0	0	2
SSE113	Health Education Teaching and Learning Methods	0	30	15	0	3
SSE161	Health Care of Elderly Patients	0	30	15	30	4
SSE139	Healthcare of Disabled Persons	0	15	10	15	2
SSE144	Anaesthesiology, Reanimation and Intensive Treatment	0	15	0	35	3
	<b>VI SEMESTER</b>					
SSE134	Introduction to Research Work at Nursing	0	30	15	30	4
SSE135	Healthcare in the Community	0	25	5	60	4
SSE137	Home Healthcare	0	20	5	30	3
SSE162	Palliative Healthcare	0	10	5	10	2
SSE140	Clinical Practice of Healthcare III	0	0	0	120	5
SSE163	Graduate Paper	0	0	0	120	5
SSE145	Basic Surgical Techniques and Instruments	E	20	0	15	2
SSE209	Prevention and Control of Hospital Infections	E	15	15	0	2
SSE210	Emergency Conditions in Pediatrics - Nursing Approach	E	15	0	15	2
SSE164	Melanoma	E	15	0	15	2
SSE166	The Diagnostic Methods in Ophthalmology	E	15	0	15	2



SSE130	Medical Demography	E	15	0	15	2
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**Graduate university study programme of Nursing  
(single-major)**

**Duration of the study:** Program lasts for two years and has four semesters

**Admission requirements:** Completed three-year university undergraduate nursing or related studies or completed professional study nursing with laid distinguishing module

**Competencies acquired upon finishing the study programme:** Performs education at all levels of nurses and nursing areas close accordance with the regulations on higher education. Organizes and manages the staff, material resources and support systems within their autonomous areas of health / nursing care, at all levels of health and social care and the jobs that include nursing activity, manages the system of quality Healthcare / nursing care and assessment of the development of Healthcare.

**Professional title acquired upon finishing the study programme:** Master of Nursing

**Course list by semesters:**

Course code unit	Course	Status	Hours per week			ECTS
			L	S	E	
<b>I SEMESTER</b>						
SSE187	Nursing in Contemporary Medicine	O	20	15	15	4
SSE173	The Ethics of Health Research and Practice	O	30	30	15	5
SSE174	Planning and Management in Nursing	O	30	15	15	5
SSE180	Children Healthcare	O	30	15	0	4
SSE177	Emergencies in Medicine	E	30	15	0	4
SSE178	Oncology	E	30	15	0	4
SSE182	Inflammatory Diseases and Febrile Conditions	E	30	15	0	4
SSE175	Developmental Psychology	E	30	15	0	4
CSM101	Basic Knowledge on Upbringing and Education	E	15	30	0	5
CSM102	Didactics	E	30	15	0	5
CSM103	Educational Psychology I.	E	30	15	0	5
<b>II SEMESTER</b>						
SSE172	Quality System in Nursing	O	20	10	15	4
SSE188	Management in Healthcare	O	30	15	30	5
SSE189	Geriatric and Palliative Care	O	30	15	15	5
SSE190	Infections Related to Healthcare	O	30	15	0	4
SSE179	Cardiovascular Diseases: Prevention and Effects	E	30	15	0	4



SSE181	Cerebral Diseases: Prevention and Effects	E	30	15	0	4
SSE195	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	E	30	15	0	4
SSE192	Health and Environment	E	30	15	0	4
SSE214	Eye Disorders Associated with Systemic Diseases	E	30	15	0	4
CSM104	Theory of Upbringing and Education in Practice	E	15	30	0	5
CSM105	Art of Teaching	E	30	15	0	5
CSM106	Educational Psychology II.	E	30	15	0	5
<b>III SEMESTER</b>						
SSE1985	Methodology of Healthcare	O	30	30	30	5
SSE199	Methodical Practicum	O	30	30	30	5
SSE200	Research and Research Methods	O	30	15	15	4
SSE212	Primary Healthcare Nursing	O	30	30	0	4
SSE202	Basics of Allergology	E	30	15	0	4
SSE201	Selected Chapters in Dermatology	E	30	15	0	4
SSE204	Nutrition of the Elderly	E	30	15	15	4
SSE193	Social Pathology	E	30	15	0	4
SSE205	Selected Chapters in Methodology of Scientific Research Work	E	30	15	15	4
SSE197	Development Changes and Learning	E	30	15	0	4
<b>IV SEMESTER</b>						
SSE207	Labor Relations in Healthcare	O	30	0	0	2
SSE208	How to Do Graduate Thesis and Poster	O	20	10	20	3
SSE206	Graduate Thesis	O	0	0	0	30