Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research Scientific Supervision and Scientific Evaluation Apparatus Directorate of Quality Assurance and Academic Accreditation Accreditation Department

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# Academic Program and Course Description Guide

# Introduction:

The educational program is a well-planned set of courses that include procedures and experiences arranged in the form of an academic syllabus. Its main goal is to improve and build graduates' skills so they are ready for the job market. The program is reviewed and evaluated every year through internal or external audit procedures and programs like the External Examiner Program.

The academic program description is a short summary of the main features of the program and its courses. It shows what skills students are working to develop based on the program's goals. This description is very important because it is the main part of getting the program accredited, and it is written by the teaching staff together under the supervision of scientific committees in the scientific departments.

This guide, in its second version, includes a description of the academic program after updating the subjects and paragraphs of the previous guide in light of the updates and developments of the educational system in Iraq, which included the description of the academic program in its traditional form (annual, quarterly), as well as the adoption of the academic program description circulated according to the letter of the Department of Studies T 3/2906 on 3/5/2023 regarding the programs that adopt the Bologna Process as the basis for their work.

In this regard, we can only emphasize the importance of writing an academic programs and course description to ensure the proper functioning of the educational process.

## **Concepts and terminology:**

**Academic Program Description:** The academic program description provides a brief summary of its vision, mission and objectives, including an accurate description of the targeted learning outcomes according to specific learning strategies.

**Course Description:** Provides a brief summary of the most important characteristics of the course and the learning outcomes expected of the students to achieve, proving whether they have made the most of the available learning opportunities. It is derived from the program description.

**Program Vision:** An ambitious picture for the future of the academic program to be sophisticated, inspiring, stimulating, realistic and applicable.

**Program Mission:** Briefly outlines the objectives and activities necessary to achieve them and defines the program's development paths and directions.

**<u>Program Objectives</u>**: They are statements that describe what the academic program intends to achieve within a specific period of time and are measurable and observable.

<u>Curriculum Structure</u>: All courses / subjects included in the academic program according to the approved learning system (quarterly, annual, Bologna Process) whether it is a requirement (ministry, university, college and scientific department) with the number of credit hours.

**Learning Outcomes:** A compatible set of knowledge, skills and values acquired by students after the successful completion of the academic program and must determine the learning outcomes of each course in a way that achieves the objectives of the program.

<u>Teaching and learning strategies</u>: They are the strategies used by the faculty members to develop students' teaching and learning, and they are plans that are followed to reach the learning goals. They describe all classroom and extra-curricular activities to achieve the learning outcomes of the program.

## Academic Program Description Form

University Name: University of Basrah Faculty/Institute: College of Nursing Scientific Department: Department of Community Health Nursing Academic or Professional Program Name: BSc in Nursing Final Certificate Name: BSc in Nursing Academic System: Courses Description Preparation Date: 05/10/2023 File Completion Date: 25/02/2024

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#### 1. Program Vision

The College of Nursing at the University of Basrah seeks to match nursing colleges at the local and international levels by highlighting the quality of medical and nursing education and its reflection on its outputs from graduates who possess competence, excellence, and the ability to provide comprehensive nursing care in the field of community service in all aspects of health care, whether in primary health centers or in Hospitals. The college also seeks to distinguish itself among its counterparts through solid scientific research that provides solutions to society's problems in accordance with the vision of the University of Basrah.

#### 2. Program Mission

Supporting health institutions with scientifically and practically qualified nursing staff capable of dealing with various medical conditions and providing effective, high-quality health services to improve and enhance citizen health.

#### 3. Program Objectives

1- Preparing highly qualified university nursing staff who possess a high sense of responsibility to provide preventive, curative and rehabilitative nursing services to the individual and family.

2- Addressing the shortage of qualified nursing personnel, especially women, in the field of health services.

- 3- Developing the reality of nursing through conducting nursing research.
- 4- Strengthening the role and status of nursing staff in health institutions.
- 5- Striving to expand admission to both primary and postgraduate studies.
- 6- Striving to provide advanced scientific laboratories.

## 4. Program Accreditation

None

## 5. Other external influences

None

6. Program Structure						
Program Structure	Number of Courses	Credit hours	Percentage	Reviews*		
Institution Requirements	30	2		Basic course		
College Requirements	Yes					
Department Requirements	Yes					
Summer Training	No					
Other						

\* This can include notes whether the course is basic or optional.

7. Program Description					
Year/Level	Course Code	Course Name	Cre	dit Hours	
2023-2024 / Third		Research Methods in Nursing	theoretical	practical	
			2		

8. Expected learning outcomes of the program					
Knowledge					
Teach the students the					
definition, purpose, and					
characteristics of the nursing					
research.					
Skills					
Demonstrate the steps of					
writing a scientific nursing					
research.					
Identify the sources of nursing					
research.					
Ethics					
Developing students' abilities to					
share ideas.					
Developing the student's skill					
and knowledge in writing and					
review a scientific nursing					
research.					

## 9. Teaching and Learning Strategies

Lectures, Group Discussion, Group Projects, and Presentations.

## 10. Evaluation methods

Quizzes, monthly examinations, reports and final examinations.

Faculty Member	rs				
Academic Rank	Specialization		Special Requirements/Skills (if applicable)	Number of the teaching staf	
	General	Special		Staff	Lecturer
Lecturer. Dr.	Medicine	Diagnostic Radiology		Yes	
Lecturer	Chemistry	Biochemistry		Yes	

#### **Professional Development**

Mentoring new faculty members

Professional development of faculty members

#### 12. Acceptance Criterion

## 13. The most important sources of information about the program

1- Denise F. Polit and Bernadette P. Hungler, Nursing research – principles and methods – Lippincott Williams & Wilkins; (2003) 7<sup>th</sup> edition.

2- Rose Marie Nieswiadomy and Catherine Bailey, Foundation of nursing research, Pearson; 7th edition (2017).

3- Denise F. Polit and Cheryl T. Beck, Essential of nursing research:

Appraising Evidence for Nursing Practice, LWW; 9th edition (2017).

14. Program Development Plan

1- Increase the ability to differentiate between the different research hypothesis.

2- Illustrate the modern methods of measurements and data collection.

3- Use the new technology in identify, write and review nursing researches.

Required program Learning outcomes	Ethics	B3 B4 C1 C2 C3 C4					
ed progra	Skills	B2					
Require		A4 B1					
	0	A3					
	Knowledge	1 A2					
		nal A1					
	Basic e	optional	Basic				
	Course Name		Research Methods in Nursing				
	Course Code						
	Year/Level		2023-2024/ Third				

Please tick the boxes corresponding to the individual program learning outcomes under evaluation. •

## **Course Description Form**

1. Course Name:

Research Methods in Nursing

#### 2. Course Code:

3. Semester / Year:

First Semester / Third Year

4. Description Preparation Date:

### 25/02/2024

5. Available Attendance Forms:

Attendance only

6. Number of Credit Hours (Total) / Number of Units (Total)

30 hours in the semester.

2 theoretical hours per week.

7. Course administrator's name (mention all, if more than one name) Name: Lec. Dr. Husham Hussein Abdul Ra'oof Email: <u>hosham.hossain@uobasrah.edu.iq</u> Name: Lec. Sadoun Abbas Alsalimi

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## 8. Course Objectives

Course Obje	ectives	1- Define and explain the different types of scientific researches.			
		2- Demonstrate scientific research concept.			
		3- Illustrate the characteristics of scientific			
		research.			
		4- Define research hypothesis.			
		5- Identify the sources of research problems.			
		6- Explain the purpose of nursing research.			
		7- Demonstrate the steps of reviewing and			
		writing a scientific nursing research.			
		8- Considerations and requirements of scientific			
		nursing research.			
9. Tea	ching and Learning St	rategies			
Strategy	ategy Brain Storm, Group Discussion,, Group Projects, and Presentatio				

Week	Hours	Required Learning Outcomes	Unit or subject name	Learning method	Evaluation method
1	2	1- Teach the	Scientific research1	Lectures,	Quizzes,
2	2	students the	Scientific research2	Group	monthly
3	2	definition,	Research steps 1	Discussion,	examinatio
4	2	purpose, and	Research steps 2	Group	ns, reports
5	2	characteristi	Research problems	Projects, and	and final
6	2	cs of the	Literature review	Presentations.	examinatio
7	2	nursing	Sampling 1		ns.
8	2	research.	Sampling 2		
9	2	2-	Experiment studies		
10	2	Demonstrate	Data Measurement		
11	2	the steps of	Data Collection 1		
12	2	writing a	Data Collection 2		1
13	2	scientific	Data Collection 3		
14	2	nursing	Data Collection 4		1
15	2	research.	Data Discussion		
		3- Identify			
		the sources			
		of nursing			
		research.			
		4-			
		Developing			1
		students'			1
		abilities to			1
		share ideas.			
		5-			
		Developing			
		the student's			
		skill and			
		knowledge			
		in writing			
		and review a			
		scientific			1
		nursing			
		research.			
11.	Course	Evaluation		1	
Distrib	uting the	score out of 100	to:		
1-30 s	core: for	the tasks assigned	to the student such as qu	izzes, monthly exam	ns, and report
2-70 s	core: for	the final exam.			

12. Learning and Teaching Resource	¥S			
Required textbooks (curricular books, if any)	None.			
Main references (sources)	<ol> <li>Denise F. Polit and Bernadette P. Hungler, Nursing research – principles and methods – Lippincott Williams &amp; Wilkins; (2003) 7th edition.</li> <li>Rose Marie Nieswiadomy and Catherine Bailey, Foundation of nursing research, Pearson; 7th edition (2017).</li> <li>Denise F. Polit and Cheryl T. Beck, Essential of nursing research: Appraising Evidence for Nursing Practice, LWW; 9th edition (2017).</li> </ol>			
Recommended books and references (scientific journals, reports)	None			
Electronic References, Websites	https://www.researchgate.net/ https://scholar.google.com/			