



Double Degree Nursing Program



**By
Rangsit University, Thailand
and
Malardalen University, Sweden**

Philosophy of the university

“Rangsit University creates better things for the society.”

Mission

The School of Nursing at Rangsit University is an educational institution which intentionally provides good and qualified graduates to serve the needs of our changing society and the current health system. This program is designed to provide practical and effective instructions and emphasizes on academic excellence, practical skills, critical thinking, language skills, management skills, and the application of modern technology. In addition, we also emphasize on doing research, providing academic services and preserving Thai arts and culture in order to produce wellqualified graduates who can also return their services to society.

Goals

The School of Nursing at Rangsit University focuses on integrating knowledge and ability with practical skills and attitudes that equip its graduates with proper judgment and manner in their career such as social and moral consciousness, professional responsibility and good human relationship.

Philosophy of the Program

Bachelor of nursing science program is based on the beliefs that human is a holistic person and interacts with environment at all times. Human, therefore, continually adapt to keep the bio-psychosocial balance throughout their lives. Health is a state of which an is able to adapt to environment. Illness i.e., critical and chronic is resulted if an individual fails to adapt to changes in biological, physical, chemical, social, and cultural environments. These environments are regarded to be promoting and inhibitory factors of health status of an individual. In a healthy environment, an individual will be able to achieve the highest potential of health.

Objectives of the Program

In order to complete the program, graduates must attain the following qualifications and abilities;

- 1) Having integrity, being respectful in human dignity, being responsible and caring
- 2) Having a profound knowledge in nursing science and related sciences as well as understanding in changing situations of nursing profession and world society
- 3) Having intellectual skill in searching information. Being able to systematically analyzing situation. Using critical thinking in solving problem in order to get the safe and quality result

- 4) Having interpersonal relationship skill. Be able to work as a team in both roles of leader and member. Be responsible in self development as well as professional and society development
- 5) Be able to use statistical principle, information technology and communication skill in presenting information to people in various levels, as following individuals, group and society
- 6) Be able to communicate effectively in English at work
- 7) Capability to provide holistic care on the basis of nursing science and related science to individuals in each age group, with any health condition and within health service system

Program Management

Management of the program develops on the foundation of philosophy, conceptual framework, and objectives of the curriculum as following;

1. As a profession, nurses acquire knowledge and develop understanding of the human body, its development and functions during the life cycle including interaction between people, environment and society. Such knowledge are the foundation for nurses to analyze the health problems and guide the nurse to provide nursing to meet the purpose of nursing service
2. As the program is a basic nursing program which aims to develop the abilities in providing general nursing care to individual as a whole person in each development. Thus, students will be prepared according to the development of person, starting from Fundamental Nursing, Maternal and Child Health nursing, Adult nursing, Elderly Nursing and integrated with Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing and Community Nursing, to provide the grounded education for student in providing nursing services to individual, family, and community
2. The nursing program emphasizes on learning experiences in the real situation. The nursing experience is orderly arranged from nursing to common health problem to the complicated one and from individual level, to family, and community

Teaching and Learning System

This program provides the students both theoretical and clinical courses by studying at Rangsit University, Thailand for 3 years and one more year at Malardalen University, Sweden. All theoretical classes at Rangsit University are taught in English and Thai languages by the instructors from both Rangsit University and Malardalen University. However, for better understanding in practice, all clinical courses are taught mainly in Thai by the instructors from the School of Nursing, RSU. Moreover, all students are required to study some extra English courses in order to improve their English ability as well as to promote self-learning skills out of the classrooms for their first three years at RSU. Therefore, all students will be ready to study abroad in their fourth year at Malardalen University, Sweden where both English and Swedish languages are mainly used and provided for learning and practicing their professional training

Benefits of Double Degree Nursing Program

1. In the period of only 4 academic years, all graduates will be given two bachelor's degrees in nursing from both Rangsit University, Thailand (3 years) and Malardalen University, Sweden (1 year).
2. The extra English courses as well as training abroad will be provided within the planned budget of this program.

Name of curriculum

Nursing Science Program

Type of curriculum

1. **Type:** A 4-year Bachelor Degree Program
2. **Language used for Instruction:** English and Thai language
 - 2.1 English language will be used in the General Education and Elective courses
 - 2.2 English and Thai language (Bilingual) will be used in the Foundation of Nursing and Nursing courses at 50 / 50 in proportion or depending on the curriculum committee
3. **Admission:** Thai students
4. **Cooperation :** School of Nursing, Rangsit University (RSU), Thailand & School of Health, Care, and Social Welfare, Malardalen University (MDU), Sweden
5. **Degree:** When completed, the graduate gets 2 degrees i.e.,
 - 5.1 Bachelor of Nursing Science (B.N.S.) from RSU
 - 5.2 Bachelor of Science in Caring Science [B.Sc. (Caring Science)] from MDU

Opportunity for career and further studies: Being a professional nurse in;

- International Hospital in Thailand
- Nursing Home / Elderly Home in Thailand and abroad
- International health and welfare organizations run by Public / Private / NGO / Foundations etc.,
- Hospitals / Health services units in Europe, America, Scandinavian countries
- Further studies at a master level or Intensive / Specialty program abroad

Teaching and Learning

1. At the School of Nursing, Rangsit University (RSU), Thailand

The courses which are provided at RSU include,

- General education
- Foundation of Nursing
- Theoretical and clinical nursing including Adult, Pediatric, Maternal and Child, Midwifery, and Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing
- Clinical nursing practicum will be placed in Health center, Community hospitals, Private hospitals, Provincial hospital, and Regional hospital.

2. At the School of Health, Care, and Social Welfare, Malardalen University (MDU), Sweden

The courses which are Provided at MDU include,

- Foundation of Nursing i.e., Scandinavian Welfare System and Health Organization
- Elderly Nursing and Community Nursing
- Elective courses
- Thesis
- Clinical nursing practicum will be placed in Elderly Home / Training Center, Health Center, Primary Care Unit, and in a selected community

Admission Criteria

1. High school graduate
2. For those who graduated with the background in related Sciences for less than 5 years, when accepted, may be able to transfer the General Education courses (taught in English) into the program
3. Be interested in and willing to improve English proficiency
4. Being healthy, without diseases that would be obstacle to the study and nursing practice

Preparation of English Language

With the experts from RELI (Rangsit English Language Institute), the students will be helped with English Language Proficiency including speaking, listening, reading, and writing, with-out any extra costs