



# NURSING

## Work Placement Nurses and Public Health Nurses

The degree programme of nursing includes instructed work placement periods for both nurses and public health nurses in authentic environments in the basic health care services and in special health care services. The work placement periods are taken in the health care centres and hospitals in the Centria operating area as well as in the numerous private health care businesses of the area.

Students are not paid for the work placement but training is regarded as studying with a learning objective. The students are always instructed and their performance is evaluated. Before starting your work placement period, you will learn nursing skills in workshops and simulations that are included in all professional studies in nursing. You will learn process thinking and clinical skills as well as evidence-based practice and decision making. You will also learn to define the need for nursing measures and to work in multi-professional teams. During your work placement period, you will be instructed by a teacher as well as the nurses working in the organization in which your work placement takes place.

The extent and contents of work placement in different stages of studies.

The studies leading to a nurse's degree include altogether

75 ECTS of clinical work placement. The studies leading to the degree of a public health nurse include 100 ECTS of work placement.

The first instructed work placement period is organized during the first study year and it focuses on learning the basic care practices. During work placement in the second study year, you will learn patient and client care related to internal diseases, surgery and home care. In the last, advanced work placement you can specialize in some area of health care that particularly interests you.

Public health nurse students have the same work placement periods as listed above. In addition, they have advanced work placement periods in maternity and child clinics, school health care and in occupational health care.

During your third study year you have the opportunity to take theoretical studies and a work placement period abroad through our various international contacts in the Nordic countries, Europe, Africa and in the Far East.

Information on the instructed work placement is available in the online learning platform. During your studies you will get more information at the info classes organized before each work placement period.