

Healthcare

Introduction of the Sector

Health Care comprising of hospitals, medical devices, clinical trials, outsourcing, telemedicine, medical tourism, health insurance and medical equipment has become one of India's largest sectors – both in terms of revenue and employment. With increased awareness about health, domestic healthcare, medical tourism and health insurance markets are gaining momentum, offering opportunities for trained personnel.

Diploma in Geriatric Care

Course Introduction

Considering the rising “Geriatric Population” in India, there is an acute need for the individuals who can provide quality care to the geriatric segment. With most of the families going nuclear, the elders are left alone to take care of themselves. This calls for courses such as Diploma in Geriatric Care which will produce quality carers who will provide appropriate service to the elderly population. The course thus aims to produce quality carers who will be able to demonstrate geriatric care, demonstrate understanding of various geriatric health issues, deal with emergencies, communicate well with the service user and the relatives and Demonstrate use of geriatric assistance equipment. The diploma is designed for individuals who have not completed higher specialty training as geriatricians, to give recognition to healthcare practitioners who have developed an in-depth critical understanding of the clinical knowledge and skills required in the field of geriatric medicine to provide expert care for older people.

Eligibility for Admission

The candidate should be a matriculate or tenth pass

Employability/Skill enhancement

Undertaking this course will enable the students to have better employment opportunities as they will receive training in assessing condition of the service user, learn various aspects of geriatric care, deal with various emergencies and understand various health issues related to geriatric age group.

Career Prospects

Gerontological nurses work in a variety of settings, including acute care hospitals, rehabilitation care, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, retirement homes, community health agencies, and the patient's home.

Students get jobs as gerontological nurses and work under various designations, like:

Nurses and nursing assistants, Socialworkers, home health and personal care aides, and Community service workers.

Semester Wise Distribution of Course Credit and Hours

Semester	Course Code	Course title	Credits
I	GE 1.1	Functional English I	4

	GE 2.1	Personal Grooming	2
	GC1	Basics of Gerontology and Geriatric Care	2
	GC 2	Psycho-social Support for Geriatric Age Group	3
	GC 3	Basic Geriatric Nursing	3
	GC 4	Common Geriatric Health Issues	4
II	GE 5.2	Health and Wellness	2
	GE 3.1	Communication Skills -I	4
	GC 5	Emergencies	4
	GC 6	Basic Knowledge of Communication and Medical Technology	3
	GC 7	Basic Knowledge of Mobility Aids	2
	GC 8	Legal and Financial Support to Geriatric Age Group	3

Programme fees: Rs. 36,000/-per annum

Examination fees: Rs.1,600/- per semester and Rs. 3200 per annum

Caution Deposit (Refundable): Rs.5000

