Make a real difference in people’s lives. The School of Health Sciences (SHS) offers you the opportunity to enjoy a fulfilling career as a highly-skilled healthcare or social care professional in related industries. You will study in an interdisciplinary healthcare and social service setting, which will provide you with well-rounded knowledge and skills to deliver quality holistic patient/client care. Our programmes are developed to meet the specific needs of these dynamics industries. This will allow you to receive relevant and quality training in your chosen field, leading to further education or career advancement opportunities.

PRACTICE-FOCUSED LEARNING
To prepare you for today’s real-life work environments, classroom teaching is put into practice through our specialised skills laboratories, simulation centre, teaching clinics and clinical attachments at various healthcare institutions and social service agencies. You will be learning from our highly-experienced and knowledgeable lecturers, who are dedicated to sharing their knowledge and insights with you.

Your learning will be further enriched by engaging lectures delivered by visiting academics and leading practitioners in Singapore.

The School is recognised nationally and regionally, and maintains strong links with key professional, educational and public agencies in Singapore and the region. We continuously ensure that our curriculum is updated and practice-driven to meet the evolving needs of healthcare and social care professionals.

WHY CHOOSE SHS?
- Select from a variety of courses offered by the most established health and social sciences school among polytechnics in Singapore.
- Practise in authentic hospital, healthcare or social service environments under the guidance of specialists.
- Enjoy advanced standing and overseas clinical attachments with our foreign university partners in Australia, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan, the UK and the US.
INDUSTRY PARTNERS
Our industry partners include the Ministry of Health, the National Council of Social Service, the Health Promotion Board, as well as leading hospitals and voluntary welfare organisations.

DEGREE PROGRAMMES
SHS works closely with local and overseas universities to enable you to upgrade your academic qualifications. Diploma holders from the Nursing, Oral Health Therapy and Social Sciences (Social Work) courses can pursue local degrees offered by the Singapore Institute of Technology, the National University of Singapore and the Singapore University of Social Sciences, among others.

YOUR CAREER OPTIONS
Graduates can look forward to careers as nurses, oral health therapists and social work associates in hospitals, clinics, laboratories, community health agencies, schools, research organisations, family service centres and other healthcare and social work-related settings.

Take up this course to embark on a highly-fulfilling career as a nurse. You will receive comprehensive training in nursing and clinical skills, and develop a solid foundation in biological and behavioural sciences, communication, research, statistics and life skills. The course’s innovative learning strategies and hands-on practice in simulation wards, specialist laboratories, hospitals and other healthcare agencies will enable you to gain the knowledge and skills required to be a competent nurse. You will be qualified to work in different healthcare settings, and be eligible for further education at both local and international universities.
WHY THIS DIPLOMA?
• It is Singapore’s most established diploma programme in nursing, accredited by the Singapore Nursing Board and renowned locally and internationally.
• You will be able to study in a learner-centric and authentic learning environment.
• Our strong links to the industry provide opportunities for invaluable practical experience.
• There are opportunities for interdisciplinary learning with the two allied health courses that NYP offers.

IT WILL ENABLE YOU TO...
• Apply to clinical practice the knowledge you have gained in the fields of nursing, biological and behavioural sciences and research.
• To provide safe and competent patient care in various healthcare settings.
• Educate patients, families and the community on diverse health issues.
• Adopt a problem-solving and critical-thinking approach for holistic, individualised and evidence-based patient care.
• Establish and maintain effective relationships.
• Contribute professionally as an essential member of a healthcare team.
• Participate in nursing and healthcare research.
• Pursue ongoing educational and professional development.

DURATION
Three academic years on a full-time basis.

FURTHER EDUCATION
Further your studies and specialisation in nursing at NYP or at local or overseas universities. NYP offers post-registration programmes at advanced and specialist diploma levels in the disciplines of:
• Critical care
• Clinical education
• Community health
• Diabetes management and education
• Ear, nose and throat care
• Emergency
• Endoscopy
• Gerontology
• Management
• Medical-surgical
• Mental health
• Midwifery
• Nephro-urology
• Neurology
• Oncology
• Orthopaedics
• Paediatrics
• Palliative care
• Perioperative care
• Perinatal care
• Radiology

We also offer specialisations in adolescent and youth health, counselling, health promotion and paramedicine.

With a Diploma in Nursing, you will be eligible to enter directly into the second year of study in the BSc (Nursing) (Hons) course offered by the National University of Singapore (three-to-four-year programme), or the two-year BSc (Hons) Nursing course at the Singapore Institute of Technology.

CAREER PROSPECTS
You will be well placed to pursue a career in the health, social and scientific fields, depending on your interests. The prospects for nursing graduates are very promising. You will be eligible for registration with the Singapore Nursing Board, which gives you the licence to practise as a registered nurse. Rewarding opportunities await you in hospitals, clinics, public/community health, school health, and clinical trials and research organisations.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS* You must have obtained the following minimum GCE O Level results:
• English Language (EL1) Grade 1–7
• Elementary/Additional Mathematics Grade 1–7
• General Studies Modules (GSMs) aim to promote a holistic learning experience for all students. Nursing students are expected to complete 60 hours of GSMs in Year 1 and 30 hours of GSMs in Year 3.

FURTHER STUDIES

YEAR 1 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2
Core Modules
HS1174 Fundamentals of Nursing and Critical Thinking
HS1175 Nursing Laboratory 1A
HS1176 Communication and Safety in Healthcare
HS1177 Psychosocial Perspectives 1
HS1178 Human Biosisence 1A
HS1179 Human Biosisence 1B
HS1800 Nursing Laboratory 1B and Health Assessment
HS1801 Nursing Practice 1
HS1802 Family and Community Health
HS1803 Women and Children Health
HS1804 Research Methods

YEAR 2 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2
Core Modules
HS2226 Nursing Laboratory 2A
HS2227 Nursing Laboratory 2B
HS2228 Pharmacology
HS2229 Human Biosisence 2
HS2230 Psychosocial Perspectives 2
HS2231 Adult Nursing 1
HS2232 Adult Nursing 2
HS2233 Mental Health Nursing
HS2234 Professional Nursing Practice and Health Education
HS2235 Statistics and Evidence Based Practice
HS2236 Nursing Practice 2A
HS2237 Nursing Practice 2B

YEAR 3 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2
Core Modules
HS3201 Adult Nursing 3
HS3202 Management and Leadership
HS3203 Elder Care and Care Transition
HS3204 Nursing Project
HS3205 Nursing Laboratory 3
HS3206 Nursing Practice 3A
HS3209 Nursing Practice 3B
HS3210 Nursing Practice 3C
HS3211 Nursing Practice 3D

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Core Modules
HS3201 Adult Nursing 3
HS3202 Management and Leadership
HS3203 Elder Care and Care Transition
HS3204 Nursing Project
HS3205 Nursing Laboratory 3
HS3206 Nursing Practice 3A
HS3209 Nursing Practice 3B
HS3210 Nursing Practice 3C
HS3211 Nursing Practice 3D

General Studies*

* General Studies Modules (GSMs) aim to promote a holistic learning experience for all students. Nursing students are expected to complete 60 hours of GSMs in Year 1 and Year 2 respectively, and 30 hours of GSMs in Year 3.
You will get a good foundation in oral health therapy through this comprehensive course, which is offered exclusively by NYP with strong support from the Health Promotion Board, the National Dental Centre, professional associations and industry partners. You will acquire the knowledge and skills to perform basic clinical procedures, such as scaling, polishing, extraction of milk teeth, simple fillings and taking dental X-rays. You will also become an advocate in the prevention of dental disease and the promotion of good oral health. There will be ample opportunities to gain hands-on experience through simulation training in specialised laboratories and during clinical attachments in dental institutions. Upon graduation, you can look forward to a promising career as a licensed oral health therapist.

WHY THIS DIPLOMA?
• This is the only diploma programme in Singapore that will train you to become a professional oral health therapist who can provide basic dental services.
• Your work will have an impact on the overall dental health of the nation, as you will be at the forefront taking care of the basic dental needs of children and adults.

IT WILL ENABLE YOU TO...
• Be registered with the Singapore Dental Council as an oral health therapist who can provide:
  - Basic preventive and therapeutic dental services to children;
  - Simple dental hygiene services to both adults and children; and
  - Dental health education programmes to the general public;
• Pursue a bachelor's degree in oral health in Australia or New Zealand, which will enable you to work as an oral health therapist with expanded functions.

DURATION
Three academic years on a full-time basis.

FURTHER EDUCATION
Due to an increasing demand for dental professionals, graduates have many opportunities for further studies overseas and subsequent career progression in a related area of work.

CAREER PROSPECTS
Oral health therapists can work in a variety of settings as a vital member of a dental team. There is ready employment due to the rising demand for dental care, so you can look forward to competitive salaries and career development opportunities. You can also choose to work in areas related to dentistry and oral healthcare, such as:
• Oral health promotion
• Healthcare administration
• Dental clinic management
• Business development and marketing of services and products

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
You must have obtained the following minimum GCE O Level results:
• English Language (EL1) Grade 1–7
• Elementary/Additional Mathematics Grade 1–6
• A Science subject Grade 1–6

DIPLOMA IN ORAL HEALTH THERAPY

^ Please refer to the section on entry requirements for diploma courses for more details.
DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL SCIENCES (SOCIAL WORK)

Through this course, you will be trained to offer professional help to some of the most vulnerable members of our community as a social work associate. This programme is the only one of its kind in the region, and is offered exclusively by NYP with strong support from the Ministry of Social and Family Development and the National Council of Social Service.

You will develop knowledge, skills and values in the areas of casework, programme development and implementation, as well as community practice. You will also acquire helping skills and intervention techniques in order to work with individuals, families, groups and communities facing different social challenges and issues. Field placements form an integral component of the course and this will help you gain first-hand experiences in preparation for your chosen career.

**COURSE STRUCTURE**

**YEAR 1 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2**
Core Modules
- HS1073 Dental Anatomy and Histology
- HS1096 Introduction to Psychology
- HS1124 Microbiology
- HS1126 Operative Techniques I
- HS1127 Operative Techniques II
- HS1130 Dental Radiography
- HS1161 Biological Science I
- HS1162 Head and Neck Anatomy
- HS1163 Clinical Education I
- HS1164 General Chemistry
- HS1165 Biological Science II
- HS1166 Oral Pathology
- HS1167 Dental Hygiene Practice I
- HS1168 Dental Hygiene Practice II
- HS1169 Biochemistry
- General Studies**

**YEAR 2 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2**
Core Modules
- HS2134 Research Methods
- HS2135 Statistics
- HS2167 Developmental Psychology
- HS2168 Pharmacology and Pain Management
- HS2169 Oral Health Promotion
- HS2170 Preventive Dentistry
- HS2171 Community Dentistry
- HS2175 Dental Hygiene Practice 2B
- HS2221 Dental Hygiene Practice 2A
- HS2222 Operative Techniques 2A
- HS2223 Operative Techniques 2B
- HS2224 Clinical Education 2A
- HS2225 Clinical Education 2B

**YEAR 3 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2**
Core Modules
- HS3158 Communications and Health Psychology
- HS3161 Issues of Professional Practice
- HS3195 Dental Project Proposal
- HS3196 Dental Care of Special Needs Patients
- HS3197 Clinical Education 3A
- HS3198 Dental Project
- HS3199 Clinical Education 3B
- HS3200 Clinic Management

* Includes Vacation Training Practice
**General Studies Modules (GSMs) aim to promote a holistic learning experience for all students. Oral Health Therapy students are expected to complete 60 hours of GSMs over Years 1 and 2.
WHY THIS DIPLOMA?
• This is Singapore’s only diploma in social work.
• You will be inspired to make a difference in the lives of others.
• Engage in exciting and meaningful activities such as learning journeys, exposure learning with clients and social service professionals, community projects, overseas student exchange programmes and study trips.

IT WILL ENABLE YOU TO...
• Become a competent social service practitioner across different fields of social work.
• Explain social welfare and social service delivery and the development of the social work profession in the Singapore context.
• Examine current and emerging social issues and discuss their implications at the different levels of social work practice.
• Apply social work theories and principles in the assessment of needs and challenges, as well as in the design of intervention to improve social functioning.
• Display commitment to lifelong learning.

CAREER PROSPECTS
Singapore’s social service and healthcare sectors offer ample employment opportunities, given the rising need to provide more services to address critical social challenges such as the rapidly ageing population, widening income gap and evolving family support system.

DURATION
Three academic years on a full-time basis.

FURTHER EDUCATION
With increasing demand for manpower in the social service sector, there are abundant opportunities for further training and development upon graduation. Third-year students with good academic achievements may join the Singapore University of Social Sciences’ through-train Bachelor of Social Work Accelerated Pathway programme. Graduates may also apply to pursue a degree in social work at the National University of Singapore, or at overseas universities such as Griffith University and Queensland University of Technology, among others.

COURSE STRUCTURE

YEAR 1 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2
Core Modules
HS1096 Introduction to Psychology
HS1097 Introduction to Sociology
HS1133 Introduction to Social Work
HS1134 Dynamics of Interpersonal Effectiveness
HS1136 Ethical and Legal Issues in Social Services
HS1137 Contemporary Social Issues
HS1139 Group Dynamics and Facilitation
HS1140 Case Management and Report Writing
HS1141 Working with Families
HS1142 Working with Children and Youth
HS1185 Self-Awareness
HS1186 Basic Counselling Skills
HS1187 Human Development over the Lifespan

YEAR 2 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2
Core Modules
HS2178 Programme Planning, Organising and Evaluation
HS2179 Working with Older Adults
HS2180 Working with Persons with Disabilities
HS2182 Crisis Intervention
HS2184 Working in Healthcare Settings
HS2186 Field Placement I
HS2238 Working with Minority Groups
HS2239 Research and Statistics
HS2240 Community Engagement

YEAR 3 – SEMESTERS 1 & 2
Core Modules
HS3165 Final Year Project
HS3166 Organisational Behaviour
HS3167 Volunteer Management
HS3168 Field Placement II

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Please refer to the section on entry requirements for diploma courses for more details.