Over the last few years there has been a continuous drop in the number of professional nurses, creating a demand for qualified registered nurses in New Zealand's Healthcare Industry. Employment opportunities in the Health Care and Nursing Industry have increased, making a career in nursing a good choice.

New Zealand trained and registered nurses are recognized and respected throughout the world and can find employment in most countries including America, Britain and Australia. The Nursing Council of New Zealand is a member of the International Nursing Council.

This course is ideal for students who wish to study a Bachelor of Nursing degree, gain valuable work experience in an English speaking environment, and go for NZ Nursing Registration. It is also good for qualified nurses who want to work in the same job in English.

Nursing is one of the careers on New Zealand Immigration’s Long Term Skill Shortage list. Applicants who complete an NZQA-approved Bachelor of Nursing Programme and register as a comprehensive nurse in New Zealand are seen as desirable by the New Zealand government. Approval rates for NZIS's visa applications are higher when applying to study nursing as it is a more attractive occupational target than many other careers.

If you are already a qualified nurse in your own country, you can send your CV and a copy of your qualifications to the NZ Nursing Council to see if they will be accepted by NZQA. If they are accepted, you can then come to LSI and do this course at the same time as studying to reach the score of IELTS 7.0.

Please contact the NZ Nursing Council www.nursingcouncil.org.nz to have your situation assessed.

Minimum entry requirements to the LSI English for Nursing Course:

- 9 month course — 5.5 Academic IELTS
- 6 month course — 6.0 Academic IELTS

Course outline:

- 6 months or 9 months of Intensive 30 (25 hours per week)
- General English module (3 / 6 months) classes, with Academic IELTS training and English for Health & Nursing in the afternoons.
- Nursing English module - improve your reading, writing, listening, speaking and grammar using language in context, extending core vocabulary with the communicative approach.
- Opportunity to work part-time after school and in the weekends — gain valuable experience, improve your English and get paid! Once they have attained IELTS 5.0, students can apply for a “Variation of Condition” to allow them to work 20 hours per week on a student visa. Placements may be available through an agency. The normal cost is around NZ$1000 – NZ$1500. Students can find their own placement free of charge.
LSI 9 month course

**ENTRANCE LEVEL**
- Minimum entry requirement
  - Academic IELTS 5.5

**COURSE**
- General English (mornings)
  + Academic IELTS / English for Health & Nursing (afternoons)
- PLUS possibility of part-time work

**SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION**
- IELTS 7.0
  - plus the opportunity to either apply for your Registration at the NZ Nursing Council
  - OR study a Bachelor of Nursing or Bachelor of Health Science at an NZ institution

LSI 6 month course

**ENTRANCE LEVEL**
- Minimum entry requirement
  - Academic IELTS 6.0

**COURSE**
- General English (mornings)
  + Academic IELTS / English for Health & Nursing afternoons
- PLUS possibility of part-time work

**SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION**
- IELTS 7.0
  - plus the opportunity to either apply for your Registration at the NZ Nursing Council
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**PATHWAYS**

Opportunity to apply for Registration with the NZ Nursing Council

Bachelor of Nursing or Bachelor Health Science at an NZ Institution

IELTS 7.0

Successful completion of LSI 6 or 9 month English for Nursing course