



香港學術及職業資歷評審局
Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of
Academic & Vocational Qualifications

SUMMARY ACCREDITATION REPORT

HONG KONG ADVENTIST COLLEGE

LEARNING PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION

**HIGHER DIPLOMA IN ENROLLED NURSING
(GENERAL)**

SEPTEMBER 2022

1. TERMS OF REFERENCE

1.1 Based on the Service Agreement (No.: VA1451), the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ), in the capacity of the Accreditation Authority as provided for under the Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Ordinance (Cap 592) (AAVQO), was commissioned by Hong Kong Adventist College (“Operator”) to conduct a Learning Programme Accreditation (LPA) with the following Terms of Reference:

(a) To conduct an accreditation test as provided for in AAVQO to determine whether the programme of the Operator meets the stated objectives and Hong Kong Qualifications Framework (HKQF, or in short QF) Level 4 standard and can be offered as an accredited programme:

(i) Higher Diploma in Enrolled Nursing (General); and

(b) To issue to the Operator accreditation report setting out the results of the determination in relation to (a) by HKCAAVQ.

1.2 The accreditation exercise was conducted according to the relevant accreditation guidelines referred to in the Service Agreement. The Education Bureau’s *“Updated Revised Common Descriptors for Associate Degree and Higher Diploma Programmes under the New Academic Structure”* was also a guiding document used by the Panel and the Operator in conducting this exercise for the Higher Diploma programme. A videoconference between the Accreditation Panel and representatives of the Operator (with virtual tour of the Operator’s training venue) took place on 13 July 2022.

2. HKCAAVQ’S DETERMINATION

Learning Programme Accreditation

2.1 HKCAAVQ has determined that the Higher Diploma in Enrolled Nursing (General) meets the stated objectives and QF standard at Level 4, and can be offered as an accredited programme with a validity period from 1 November 2022 to 31 October 2025.

2.2 Validity Period

2.2.1 The validity period will commence on the date specified below.

2.2.2 The maintenance of the accreditation status within the specified validity period is subject to the fulfilment of requirement set out in 2.4 by the specified fulfilment deadline.

2.3 The determinations on the Learning Programme Accreditation are specified as follows:

Name of Operator(s)	Hong Kong Adventist College 香港三育書院
Name of Award Granting Body	Hong Kong Adventist College 香港三育書院
Title of Learning Programme	Higher Diploma in Enrolled Nursing (General) 登記護士（普通科）高級文憑
Title of Qualification(s) (Exit Award(s))	Higher Diploma in Enrolled Nursing (General) 登記護士（普通科）高級文憑
Primary Area of Study and Training	Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences
Sub-area (Primary Area of Study and Training)	Nursing
Other Area of Study and Training	Not applicable
Sub-area (Other Area of Study and Training)	Not applicable
Industry	Not applicable
Branch	Not applicable
QF Level	Level 4
QF Credits	466
Mode(s) of Delivery and Programme Length	Full-time, 2 years 4,656 notional learning hours (including 2,600 contact hours and 10 online learning hours)
Intermediate Exit Award(s)	Not applicable
Validity Period	1 November 2022 to 31 October 2025

Number of Enrolment(s)	1 enrolment per year
Maximum Number of New Students	Maximum of 48 learners per year
Specification of Competency Standards-based Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Specification of Generic (Foundation) Competencies-based Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Vocational Qualifications Pathway Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Notes to be indicated on the QR	This programme includes Clinical Practicum for 1,616 hours to be conducted in 44 weeks. 此課程包括 44 星期的實習，共 1,616 小時。
Address of Teaching/ Training Venue(s)	1111 Clear Water Bay Road, Sai Kung, New Territories, Hong Kong 香港新界西貢清水灣道 1111 號

- 2.4 **Condition(s) (including all pre-conditions for obtaining the HKCAAVQ accreditation status as applied for the commencement of the validity period; and all requirements for maintenance of the accreditation status within the validity period)**

Requirement(s)	Date of Fulfilment
<p><u>Requirement 1</u></p> <p>The Operator is to provide approval document from the Nursing Council of Hong Kong to demonstrate that the programme has been re-accredited for the purpose of registration under the Nurse Registration Ordinance (Cap. 164). The Operator is to submit the document(s) to HKCAAVQ on or before 31 December 2024.</p>	31 December 2024

- 2.5 **Recommendation(s)**
HKCAAVQ offers the following recommendation(s) for continuous improvement.

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<p><u>Recommendation 1</u></p> <p>The Operator should clearly state in the appeal policy that the purpose of discussion with instructors is to provide feedback to students on their performance in the assessments.</p>

- 2.6 HKCAAVQ will subsequently satisfy itself whether the Operator remains competent to achieve the relevant objectives and the programme continues to meet the standard to achieve the relevant objectives as claimed by the Operator by reference to, amongst other things, the Operator's fulfilment of any conditions and compliance with any restrictions stipulated in this Accreditation Report. For the avoidance of doubt, maintenance of accreditation status is subject to fulfilment of any condition and compliance with any restriction stipulated in this Accreditation Report.

3. INTRODUCTION

- 3.1 Hong Kong Adventist College (HKAC), registered under the Hong Kong Education Ordinance (Cap 279), is an education institute founded and supported by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, whose mission is to promote “life-changing experiences for its students in the greater Chinese society”.

4. PROGRAMME DETAILS

The following is the programme information provided by the Operator.

4.1 Programme Objectives

The objectives of the programme are:

- to equip students with theoretical knowledge and competencies required by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong (NCHK) as Enrolled Nurses (General);
- to enable students to provide professional, legal and ethical; as well as safe and quality client-oriented care in holistic manner through collaboration with other health care team members as required;
- to provide students with a solid foundation of generic skills such as Chinese and English language proficiency, biological and integrated life sciences, behavioural and social science, communication, and spirit in teamwork; and
- to develop students' critical and creative thinking skills for continuous professional development and lifelong learning.

4.2 Programme Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the programme, students should be able:

- PILO-1. to acquire theoretical knowledge and competencies needed for providing safe, caring, and ethical nursing care within the scope of an EN in hospital and community care;
- PILO-2. to apply the knowledge and skills to promote health, prevent diseases and provide health education to individuals, families, and the community;
- PILO-3. to equip with necessary life and social sciences knowledge and generic skills, including languages, communication, and interpersonal relationship;
- PILO-4. to demonstrate personal attributes of caring, as well as reasoning, problem solving and critical thinking necessary for quality patient care and teamwork; and
- PILO-5. to acquire the ability to foster one's own professional and personal development.

4.3 Programme Structure

Module Title/ Major Topic	QF Credit
BIOL 111 Anatomy and Physiology I	466
RELB 100 Life Education and Healing	
NURS 100 Applied Psycho-social Aspects of Health Care	
NURS 101 Fundamental Concepts of Nursing	
NURS 102 Clinical Nursing Skills I	
CLIN 101 Clinical Practicum I	
BIOL 112 Anatomy and Physiology II	
CLNL 110 Clinical Microbiology and Pharmacology	
NURS 111 Introduction to Medical and Surgical Nursing	
NURS 112 General Nursing Care I	
NURS 113 Clinical Nursing Skills II	
CLIN 102 Clinical Practicum II	
ENGL 201 English Language for Healthcare Professional	
RELT 213 Professional Ethics and Spiritual Care	
NURS 201 Family Health Nursing	
NURS 202 General Nursing Care II	
NURS 203 Health Promotion and Community Health	
CLIN 201 Clinical Practicum III	
CHIN 102 Practical Chinese in Health Care	
INFS 210 Introduction to Information Technology	

NURS 211 Holistic Care of Older Persons	
NURS 212 General Nursing Care III	
NURS 213 Professional Nursing	
CLIN 202 Clinical Practicum IV	
Total	466

4.4 Admission Requirements

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1) The NCHK's Minimum Entry Requirements for Training of Enrolled Nurses:
 - (i) Applicants with Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination results: Completion of Form 5 or equivalent (e.g. Yi Jin Diploma); or
 - (ii) Applicants with Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) results: Achieved Level 2 or above in 5 Examinations subjects, including Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics, in addition to two other passed subjects in Categories A and B, or equivalent; and
- 2) Be at least 18 years of age before entry to the programme; and
- 3) Passed an admission interview.

4.5 Graduation Requirements

The graduation requirements are as follows:

- 1) Complete successfully all the courses in the curriculum.
- 2) Achieved no grade below D in any course taken, or have passed the retake course at D or higher grade.
- 3) Earn a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above at graduation.
- 4) Pass all skill tests and clinical assessments, and have fulfilled the designated number of clinical hours.
- 5) A minimum of 80% attendance requirements of each course and 100% attendance requirements of clinical practicum.

5. IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THIS ACCREDITATION REPORT

5.1 Variation and withdrawal of this Accreditation Report

- 5.1.1 This Accreditation Report is issued pursuant to section 5 of the AAVQO, and contains HKCAAVQ's substantive determination regarding the accreditation, including the validity period as well as any conditions and restrictions subject to which the determination is to have effect.

- 5.1.2 HKCAAVQ may subsequently decide to vary or withdraw this Accreditation Report if it is satisfied that any of the grounds set out in section 5 (2) of the AAVQO apply. This includes where HKCAAVQ is satisfied that the Operator is no longer competent to achieve the relevant objectives and/or the Programme no longer meets the standard to achieve the relevant objectives as claimed by the Operator (whether by reference to the Operator's failure to fulfil any conditions and/or comply with any restrictions stipulated in this Accreditation Report or otherwise) or where at any time during the validity period there has/have been substantial change(s) introduced by the Operator after HKCAAVQ has issued the accreditation report(s) to the Operator and which has/have not been approved by HKCAAVQ. Please refer to the '*Guidance Notes on Substantial Change to Accreditation Status*' in seeking approval for proposed changes. These Guidance Notes can be downloaded from the HKCAAVQ website.
- 5.1.3 If HKCAAVQ decides to vary or withdraw this Accreditation Report, it will give the Operator notice of such variation or withdrawal pursuant to section 5(4) of the AAVQO.
- 5.1.4 The accreditation status of the Operator and/or Programme will lapse immediately upon the expiry of the validity period or upon the issuance of a notice of withdrawal of this Accreditation Report.

5.2 Appeals

- 5.2.1 If the Operator is aggrieved by the determination made in this Accreditation Report, then pursuant to Part 3 of the AAVQO the Operator has a right of appeal to the Appeal Board. Any appeal must be lodged within 30 days of the receipt of this Accreditation Report.
- 5.2.2 If the Operator is aggrieved by a decision to vary or withdraw this Accreditation Report, then pursuant to Part 3 of the AAVQO the Operator has a right of appeal to the Appeal Board. Any appeal must be lodged within 30 days of the receipt of the Notice of Variation or Withdrawal.
- 5.2.3 The Operator should be aware that a notice of variation or withdrawal of this Accreditation Report is not itself an accreditation report and the right to appeal against HKCAAVQ's substantive determination regarding accreditation arises only from this Accreditation Report.
- 5.2.4 Please refer to Cap 592A (www.elegislation.gov.hk) for the appeal rules. Details of the appeal procedure are contained in section 13 of the AAVQO and can be accessed from the QF website at: www.hkqf.gov.hk.

5.3 Qualifications Register

- 5.3.1 Qualifications accredited by HKCAAVQ are eligible for entry into the QR at www.hkqr.gov.hk for recognition under the QF. The Operator should apply separately to have their quality-assured qualifications entered into the QR.
- 5.3.2 Only learners who commence the study of the named accredited learning programme during the validity period and who have graduated with the named qualification listed in the QR will be considered to have acquired a qualification recognised under the QF.

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