

Senior Professional and Technical Examination for Registered Professional Nurses and Junior Professional and Technical Examination for Registered Nurses —Internship Accreditation Criteria

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Internship accreditation criteria for the Senior Professional and Technical Examination for Registered Professional Nurses and Junior Professional and Technical Examination for Registered Nurses is applicable depending on the graduation date stated on the graduation certificate submitted by the applicant for exam registration.

Stage 1: The criteria is applicable for candidates graduating between June 1, 2011 and May 31, 2013. Candidates are required to submit a copy of their graduation certificate proving they have completed internship and passed all internship subjects or submit documents issued by the school showing their internship scores or transcripts. (The exam for registered nurses is no longer held as of 2013.)

Stage 2: The criteria is applicable for candidates graduating after June 1, 2013. Internship subjects, course details, minimum duration, internship sites, and makeup internship are stipulated as follows:

- I. Internship" herein refers to a hands-on learning experience caring for patients and does not include demonstrations, job shadowing, or visits to relevant institutions.
- II. Internship subjects, course details, and minimum duration

Subject	Details	Minimum Duration
Essential nursing	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Training includes professional communication skills, basic nursing hands-on sessions, application of nursing procedures to patients, record keeping.2. Learning reports must be clearly completed (including hands-on sessions). Unfinished training in essential nursing must be completed in medical and surgical nursing.	60 hours
Medical & surgical nursing	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Internship in medical and surgical nursing is crucial for advanced training programs and is therefore more demanding.2. At least 120 hours should be spent on medical and surgical nursing each.3. Training includes familiarization with the working	240 hours (120 hours for medical and surgical each)

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	environment and nursing procedures, enhanced training in caring for patients and performing assessments.	
Obstetric nursing	The course focuses on pregnancy, childbirth, postpartum, and newborn care. Training for high risk pregnancy, infertility, and female healthcare may be arranged by the school based on needs.	120 hours
Pediatric nursing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The primary focus is on children and adolescent caring. Secondary focus is on health promotion for this age group. Practical training in caring children with acute and serious illness may be arranged according to needs. 2. Training includes communication skills with children, children health assessment, ward management, common techniques and medications in the pediatric department, family-centered primary care, nursing assessment, and hospital discharge process. 	120 hours
Community nursing	<p>The course includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. community group assessment and planning 2. family and individual level: home visits and case management 3. group instruction 	120 hours
Psychiatric nursing	The course should include nursing for acute and rehabilitation periods. School may arrange the practical training to meet actual needs.	120 hours
Total	The length of internship period across all of the above subjects must total at least 1,016 hours.	1,016 hours

III. Requirements for makeup internship: For test takers whose internship does not cover all required fields or falls short of time requirements, makeup programs may be arranged by medical schools or the test taker may contact any of the qualified hospitals for a make-up internship. Internship institutes should provide documents proving the test taker has completed the required internship.

IV. Format for internship and make-up internship certificates is stipulated by MOEX in Appendixes 1 and 2.