

# FACULTY OF NURSING SCIENCE (FSI)

## **HISTORY**

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Founded in 1922, the School of Midwifery, affiliated with the Faculty of Medicine, introduced a dual program for nurses and visiting nurses in 1929. These nurses were trained to “contribute by providing care for patients at home as directed by the doctors, offering emergency aid, and administering necessary treatments.” The corresponding diplomas were awarded until 1938-1939.

In December 1942, a School for Visiting Nurses was established at the Faculty of Medicine of the Saint Joseph University of Beirut. Its aim was to staff positions that the Ministry of Hygiene and Public Assistance sought to create across Lebanon's villages. From the 1949 academic year, the School also started training hospital nurses. On May 31, 1948, the French Ministry of Public Health granted the School the authority to award the French State Diploma in Nursing.

The Lebanese Ministry of National Education recognized the School as a Higher Education Institute on April 28, 1947, a status that was confirmed on March 7, 1962, in line with the Higher Education Law of December 26, 1961. Originally affiliated with the Faculty of Medicine at the Saint Joseph University of Beirut, the School became an independent entity under the University on July 20, 1980, and was elevated to Faculty status on February 14, 1981. Since 1972, continuing education programs (University Diploma) have been offered alongside the Bachelor, and the Master added in 1982. A PhD program was launched in September 2024.

## **MISSION**

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The Faculty of Nursing Science at the Saint Joseph University of Beirut is committed to advancing and sharing knowledge in the field of nursing. Its mission is to offer students academic training in nursing care that is specifically adapted to the Lebanese socio-cultural context. The Faculty plays a key role in training professionals capable of updating and innovating care practices that meet the needs of society from a humanistic (caring) perspective. Research in nursing conducted at the Faculty enriches the theoretical teaching and improves professional practice. The Faculty also actively engages in national and international partnership projects aimed at generating new knowledge and advancing nursing care in Lebanon.

## **VISION**

The vision of the Faculty of Nursing Science (FSI) aligns with the USJ 2025 Vision. As an institution, the Faculty aims to be the benchmark for excellence in university education in nursing science while fostering a supportive and encouraging learning environment. It will continue to promote nursing research as a fundamental component of its curriculum and actively encourage interdisciplinary collaboration at the national and international levels. The Faculty remains committed to prioritizing student needs and consistently strive to meet labor market demands.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

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**Dean:** Rima SASSINE KAZAN

**Honorary Deans:** Claire GHAFARI ZABLIT, Ruth HASSINE AKATCHERIAN, Isabelle GUERNIGOU

**Program Coordinators**

**1<sup>st</sup> Cycle - Undergraduate Program (Bachelor):**

- 1<sup>st</sup> year: Mariana ABI AAD (EL) KHOURY
- 2<sup>nd</sup> year: Joëlle KARAM BADER
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year: Pascale TANNOUS ABI ABDALLAH

**2<sup>nd</sup> Cycle – Graduate Program (Master):**

Pauline MERHEB

**3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle – Graduate Program (PhD):**

Rima SASSINE KAZAN

**University Diploma Program:** Nada KARANOUH BAADARANI

## **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

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**Administrative Coordinator:** Denise KANAAN BOU EID

**Academic Support Officers:** Thérèse KHAIRALLAH GHANEM, Thérèse KHAIRALLAH OBEID

## **FACULTY**

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### **Professor**

Rima SASSINE KAZAN

### **Assistant Professors**

Pauline MERHEB

### **Lecturers**

Eliana HOMSIEH, Gisèle (EL) CHEMALI (EL) HAJAL, Joëlle ABOUD BECHARA, Joëlle KARAM BADER, Mariana ABI AAD EL KHOURY, Nada KARANOUH BAADARANI, Pascale TANNOUS ABI ABDALLAH

### **Instructors**

Afifé RHAYEM HARB, Aida CHAIB GHOSN, Amal MIKHAEL, Anita YOUSSEF (EL) HAJJ, Antoine ABI LUTFALLAH, Antoine SAAB, Antoine ZOGHBI, Bassam EID, Bassem HABR, Bernard GERBAKA, Carla (EL) HABER TOHME, Carole CHIDIAC, Carole SAADE RIACHI, Céline STÉPHAN, Christine DAGHER MAALOUF, Christine YAMMINE FINIANOS, Cynthia ABI KHALIL JAMMAL, Cynthia KHOURY (EL) BADINE, Dania NEHME CHÉLALA, Dayane DAOU (EL) HELOU, Diane ANTONIOS GHOLAM, Dina MADDAH, Doris CHOUEIFATY CHOUEIFATY, Edgard (EL) HAIBY, Eliane (EL) HAJJ (EL) BEAINI, Eliane MANSOUR, Eliane NASSER AYOUB, Elie (EL) HÉLOU, Elina (EL) DIRANI, Fréda RICHA, Georges CHEDID, Georges GHANIME, Georges KHAYAT, Georges KHOURY, Georges MAALOULY, Ghada HAMDAN KASABIAN, Hala HNEIN, Hampig Raphaël KOURIE, Hayat AZOURY TANNOUS, Hicham ABOU ZEID, Hicham JABBOUR, Iman KHARRAT HÉLOU, Joanna TOHME ABOU JAOUDE, Joëlle GHATTAS, Joseph AMARA, Justine ABI SAAD, Kamal KALLAB, Khalil JABBOUR, Lamisse KARAM, Lara ABOU JAOUDE (EL) HAJJ, Lina ISKANDAR (EL) HAWAT, Loreine (EL) HAGE, Marie-Claire MOUHAWEJ, Marie-Rose KARAM OFEICHE, Marwan ZOGHBI, Maryse HAYEK, May FAKHOURY, Maylis Thérèse DIJOUX, Mouhamad DOUGHANE, Mouin JAMMAL, Nagi ABOU (EL) JALAD, Naim (EL) BEJJANI, Najat HATAB, Najib HANNA, Nicole ABOUD BAKHACHE, Nicole NACCACHE, Nour BOU DEBS, Odette LAHOUD YOUNES, Pascal (EL) BRAIDY, Paul Henri TORBEY, Priscilla ANTOUN ABOU JAOUDE, Rabab (EL) RASSI KHOURY, Rami BOU KHALIL, Randa ABOU KHATER, Riad SARKIS, Richard REBEIZ, Rima NEHME, Safia SOUNBOL, Samar DAGHER, Samer YOUNES, Sami RICHA, Samia MADI GEBARA, Sandra SABBAGH NEEMTALLAH, Sani HLAIS, Sarah (EL) SAIFI, Soha ABDEL MALAK, Souraya (EL) ASMAR, Taminé MEHANNA MASSOUD, Tatiana WAHANIAN PAPAZIAN, Tony ABDEL MASSIH, Viviane CHALHOUB, Viviane MATAR TOUMA, Zakhia NAOUM

## **DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES AWARDED**

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Bachelor in Nursing Science

Master in Nursing Science, concentrations: Administration of Health Care Units; Advanced Practice in Oncology and Palliative Care

PhD in Nursing Science

University Diploma in Infection Prevention and Control

University Diploma in Specialized Nursing, concentrations: Anesthesia; Operating Room; Oncology and Palliative Care; Resuscitation and Intensive Care; Mental Health; Child Care; Wound Care and Healing

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

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### **Holders of a Bachelor in Nursing Science:**

- Hospitals
- Health centers
- Schools
- Daycare centers
- Nursing homes
- Home care

**Holders of a Master in Nursing Science:**

- Nursing care managers in hospital institutions
- Researchers
- Consultants in healthcare management
- Educational coordinators
- Program or project directors
- Directors in non-governmental organizations
- Directors of nursing services
- Nursing science educators
- Clinical experts in oncology
- Childcare center managers
- Heads of a research unit
- Quality and risk management officers

**Holders of a PhD in Nursing Science:**

- Professors in nursing faculties
- Senior managers in healthcare facilities
- Researchers in institutes or research centers
- Consultants in health and social service networks
- Expert advisors in international organizations
- Planning, programming, and research officers in institutes, research centers or international organizations
- Project managers in international organizations

**Holders of a University Diploma**

Expert nurses working in:

- Hospital institutions: specialized care units, operating rooms, recovery rooms, sterilization units, quality assurance services, infection control services
- Non-hospital settings: schools, daycare centers, nursing homes for the elderly, home care, private and public non-governmental organizations, and primary healthcare.

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**TUITION FEES**

- Bachelor in Nursing Science, Master in Nursing Science, concentrations: Administration of Health Care Units; Advanced Practice in Oncology and Palliative Care: 124 Fresh US Dollars and 4,770,000 Lebanese Pounds (for semester 1), equivalent in Fresh US Dollars to 178 /credit (exchange rate = 89,500 LBP)
- PhD in Nursing Science: 76 Fresh US Dollars and 2,865,000 Lebanese Pounds (for semester 1), equivalent in Fresh US Dollars to 108 /credit (exchange rate = 89,500 LBP)

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**SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNAL REGULATIONS OF STUDY****Title One – Studying at the Saint Joseph University of Beirut****Article 3.c – bis**

One internship credit is equivalent to 30 hours of in-person and/or personal work.

**Article 8.e**

Internship attendance is mandatory and will be monitored. Any absence must be justified by a written excuse deemed valid within three working days following the absence. Make-up sessions must be conducted as soon as possible and will be organized by the training coordinator.

**Title Three – Validation of the Program Learning Outcomes****Article 29.b**

Should they fail an internship, students are not entitled to a second session. They must re-enroll in the entire internship.