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A Leading Nursing College In Bangladesh

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COLLEGE OF NURSING**



Nursing is a
progressive art such
that to stand still
is to go backwards

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FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

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Welcome to Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing

GCCN : A JOURNEY DESTINED TO EXCELLENCE

Starting in 2010 with 38 students, Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing raced to become a thriving and dynamic international educational and training institution operating at its new and own premise with over 600 male and female students. Now the college has an accommodation of 16 classrooms, 11 labs, rich library, international standard educational and training facility and faculty, offering clinical placement, scholarships, job fair, overseas higher education affiliation, research, faculty development, e-learning, various co-curricular activities and own transportation facility and a 700 students capacity hostel. This dynamic institution has already successfully accomplished training and educating more than 1200 nursing professionals since its inception and now is excelling a full throttle with widened capacity and facilities at its own premise.

You are invited to come and see our facilities, meet our staffs and students or visit us at the web portal- gccn.ac.bd



Thank you for your interest in our college



FOREWORD

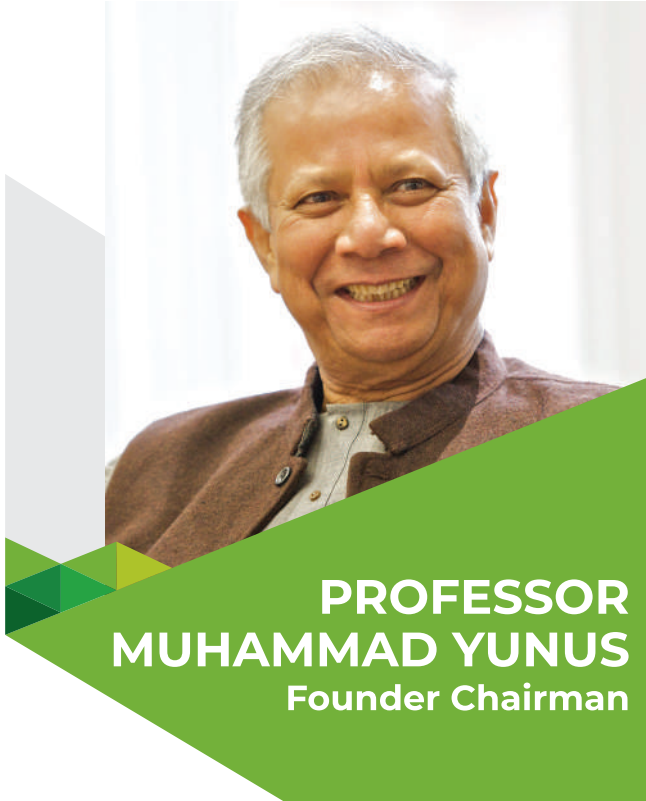
As per Global standard, minimum required doctor per thousand people is one, whereas Bangladesh has 0.6 doctors per 1000 of its population. Shortfall to this turns to be devastating when it comes to number of nurses. A minimum standard requirement is 3 nurses per doctor whereas in Bangladesh we have 0.4 nurses per doctor. This data reveals the truth that we are lagging far behind from the required number of our minimum nursing professionals. That means we have a huge demand hidden within the country and the demand for skilled nurses is a global issue. Recent pandemic days have revealed the fact that even some of the developed countries were not equipped enough to fight the dire need of nursing support. Grameen managed to read the scenario well ahead and therefore took the right initiative to start a Nursing College in Bangladesh 16 years back and subsequently started the college 15 years ago. We did not only realize the need of a good Nursing College, we also had our focus set to become the best in this region of Asia.

We are lucky and fortunate that our unique leadership with extraordinary vision could join hands with one of the global bests to be partner to this initiative. Yes, our partner Glasgow Caledonian University (UK) has one of the best Nursing Colleges in Europe and therefore we have an opening to avail their support and an open door for higher education and training at their facility as well. The toiling years of GCCN's starting phase has now passed by; we are in a position to start our journey to take off. We thereby also facilitate the option of opening a wide door of opportunity to all aspiring students of our country and foreign students as well to become professionals with the skill and capacity of a global standard.

Our journey has just begun. Join us.

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MESSAGE FROM THE
FOUNDER CHAIRMAN



GCCN is set to build a global standard education and training facility for the nurses with a vision to establish an international platform for the generation enrolling to this noble profession. Hope GCCN will excel the legacy of Grameen initiatives towards further glory and pride, play vital in contribution towards society.

~ Founder Chairman, GCCN

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



**MD. ASHRAFUL
HASSAN**
Chairman

Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing (GCCN) is a pioneering institution dedicated to advancing nursing education in Bangladesh. We are deeply committed to nurturing competent, compassionate, and globally-minded nursing professionals. Through academic excellence, ethical values, and community service, GCCN continues to empower young women to become healthcare leaders.

I take immense pride in the transformative impact GCCN is making, shaping a healthier, more equitable future for all.

~ Chairman, GCCN

MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR



**SHAMSUL HAQUE
AHMED**
Managing Director

With the experience of successfully completing similar projects in Kosovo and Tajikistan-Glasgow Caledonian University, UK has joined hands with Professor Yunus to contribute in fighting challenges hindering health development due to the lack of trained health professionals. GCCN is progressing at projected pace and vows to become a leader in the arena at this part of the world.

~ Managing Director, GCCN



MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDING PRINCIPAL

GCCN began in 2010 with just 38 students, a handful of committed staff, and rented accommodation. Those early days were built on vision, determination, and an innovative social business model. Rather than relying on ongoing charitable giving, we committed to a financially sustainable approach. A key early boost came from a donation by the Nike Foundation, which we used to establish essential funds.

From those modest beginnings, GCCN has grown into a thriving, complex institution with over 600 students, dedicated faculty, and a purpose-built college with accommodation blocks. Today, we offer diploma, degree, and higher degree qualifications in nursing, equipping graduates to be leaders and change agents in the Bangladesh healthcare system.

Our students and alumni are transforming the profession—introducing innovative ways of working, raising standards, and uplifting the morale of nurses nationwide. The pride they take in their work is matched by a growing recognition from patients, communities, and even doctors of the vital role nurses play in health and healing.

What a journey it has been—from a bold idea to a center of excellence, shaping the future of nursing from the ground up.

~Professor / Dr Barbara Parfitt CBE PhD DHC



**BARBARA
PARFITT**
Founding Principal

MESSAGE FROM THE ADVISOR



**NIRU
SHAMSUN NAHAR**
Advisor

Marking inception with faculty from GCU, UK and being supported with a global standard curriculum GCCN is focused to build professionals of international standard in Nursing & Midwifery. We have already marked our footprints towards that goal. To let GCCN be truly global we are facilitating enrollment for international students and opportunity for higher studies abroad as well.

~ Advisor, GCCN



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is with great pride and pleasure that I welcome you to the Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing (GCCN), an institution founded on the vision of producing socially responsible, professionally skilled, and globally competent nurses for the future. This institution was established in 2010 through an unique collaboration between the Grameen Health Care Services, Bangladesh and Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland, UK with the vision of empowering young women in Bangladesh through world-class nursing education and leadership development. Recently it has got accreditation for five years from the competent authorities of Bangladesh.

We are committed to ensuring academic excellence, hands on training, and ethical practice following the international standard curriculum with local relevance, ensuring that our graduates are well-equipped to serve both at home and abroad to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals. We have competent faculties, advisor, mentor and other dedicated professionals who are providing their highest efforts for creating smart educational environment as well as improving students' learning in the classroom, library, simulation labs using modern educational methods and technologies. We strive to build not only skilled nurses, but also compassionate change-makers who will uplift communities and strengthen healthcare systems.

~ Principal, GCCN



**DR. MOST
SHAHINOOR BEGUM**
Principal



ABOUT GCCN

GCCN is the largest and one of the leading Nursing colleges in the private sector of Bangladesh approved by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Bangladesh Nursing and Midwifery Council and University of Dhaka. Established in 2010, GCCN is a successful partnership between Glasgow Caledonian University (UK) and Grameen Health Care Services.

GCCN provides education at international standards along with a culture that promotes personal development. Students are exposed to an environment where they are encouraged to develop their self-confidence and self-esteem as well as scientific knowledge of nursing and health care.

PHILOSOPHY OF GCCN

We want our students through the use of problem solving and critical thinking skills to recognise the contribution that they can make to Bangladeshi society and in particular its health service. To be change agents promoting the move towards the integrated delivery of care in the primary health care setting and the provision of high quality care for hospitalised patients.



VISION OF GCCN

Our vision is to establish a nationally and internationally recognized institution for high-quality nursing and midwifery education in Bangladesh. It focuses to provide young people from the rural area in Bangladesh the opportunity to study at a higher level and to break the cycle of early marriage, pregnancy and poverty while at the same time contributing towards an improvement in both the capacity and the capability of human resources for health. In this way, we believe we can make a contribution towards the health of the poorest communities in the society throughout Bangladesh.

MISSION OF GCCN

Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing will benefit both boys and girls as recipients of health care services and position them as the major health care workforce of the future by:

- Addressing the shortage of nurses through innovative teaching techniques and the recruitment of rural young women.
- Delivering the national curriculum in a way that focuses on the unique health needs of communities and developing leaders and change agents for the future.
- Creating a sustainable social business model that is transferable to other locations with nurses as key players in providing rural health care.

OUR VALUES



EXCELLENCE

To ensure the highest standard of education



COMMITMENT

Towards profession, society & nation



INTEGRITY

Ethical and fair practice at all levels



TEAMWORK

To achieve excellence together



INNOVATION

Towards creating new ideas



OBJECTIVES

- ✔ To prepare young people to become leaders and active agents for a change to foster improvement in the healthcare and wellbeing of the people of Bangladesh and elsewhere in the world.
- ✔ To deliver internationally recognized quality nursing and midwifery education and research.
- ✔ To promote the values of holistic and community-focused care.
- ✔ To be recognized as an institution that is a leader in the field of nursing and midwifery education and research in South Asia and elsewhere in the world.
- ✔ To ensure that the students undergo an education that prepares them with the skills to be professionally competent and to gain the expertise they need for lifelong learning.
- ✔ To be creative in learning and teaching activities using adult learning approaches.



COURSES OFFERED

GCCN offers various courses in Nursing education.

Sl.	Name of course	Duration	Seat capacity
1	Diploma in Nursing Science and Midwifery	3 years	100
2	Diploma in Midwifery	3 years	50
3	B.Sc. in Nursing (Basic)	4 years	90
4	B.Sc. in Nursing (Post Basic)	2 years	50
5	M.Sc in Nursing (Nursing Education, Women's Health & Midwifery, Nursing Management, Community Health Nursing, Adult & Elderly Health Nursing)	2 years	50

COURSE CURRICULUM

Diploma in Nursing Science and Midwifery (3 years)

General Courses

1. Behavioral Science
2. Basic Science
3. Communicative English and Information & Communication Technology (ICT)

Foundation Courses

1. Anatomy & Physiology
2. Professional Framework and Communication in midwifery.
3. Midwifery Pharmacology
4. Research & Evidence based Midwifery

Professional Courses

1. Fundamentals & Midwifery
2. Art and Science of Midwifery
3. Women's health
4. Complicated Maternity experience
5. Complexities of Maternity experience
6. Newborn Complication
7. Transition to Registered Midwifery Practice
8. Midwifery Practice- I
9. Midwifery Practice- I Midwifery Practicum

Diploma in Midwifery (3 years)

Background Science

1. Behavioral Science
2. Basic Science

Foundation Courses

1. Anatomy and Physiology
2. Professional Frameworks & Communication in Midwifery
3. Fundamentals of Midwifery
4. Communicative English and Information Technology

Professional Courses

1. Midwifery Pharmacology
2. Midwifery Practice I
3. Research and Evidence Based Midwifery
4. The Art and Science of Midwifery
5. Women's Health, Complicated Maternity Experience
6. Midwifery Practice II
7. Newborn Complications Complexities of Maternity Experience
8. Midwifery Practicum Transition to Registered Midwifery Practice

B.Sc. in Nursing (4 years)

General Courses

1. Communicative English
2. Nursing Informatics
3. Behavioral Science and Nursing Humanities
4. Advanced Communicative English

Foundation Courses

1. Anatomy
2. Physiology
3. Microbiology and Pathology
4. Pharmacology
5. Nutrition and Biochemistry

Professional Courses

1. Fundamentals of Nursing -I
2. Fundamentals of Nursing -II
3. Pediatric Nursing
4. Medical and Surgical Nursing-I
5. Medical and Surgical Nursing-II
6. Geriatric Nursing
7. Traumatology and Orthopedic Nursing
8. Community Health Nursing and Epidemiology
9. Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing
10. Emergency and Critical Care Nursing
11. Laws, Ethics and Forensic Nursing
12. Midwifery
13. Obstetrical and Gynecological Nursing
14. Nursing Administration and Management
15. Nursing Education
16. Research and Biostatistics

B.Sc. in Nursing (2 years)

General Courses

1. Behavioral science
2. Basic science
3. Communicative English
4. Computer and Information Technology (ICT)

Foundation Courses

1. Anatomy and Physiology
2. Microbiology and Parasitology
3. Nutrition and Dietetics
4. Pharmacology

Professional Courses

1. Fundamentals of Nursing
2. Community Health nursing
3. Medical & Surgical Nursing
4. Orthopedic Nursing
5. Pediatric Nursing
6. Psychiatric Nursing
7. Midwifery
8. Leadership and Management
9. Research Methodology

M.Sc. in Nursing (2 Years)

1. Specialty: Adult and Elderly Health Nursing

2. Specialty: Community Health Nursing

3. Specialty: Nursing Education

4. Specialty: Nursing Management

5. Specialty: Women's Health & Midwifery

ADMISSION CRITERIA

For Diploma in Nursing Science & Midwifery (3 years)/For Diploma in Midwifery (3 years)

The applicants must have passed both their SSC and HSC examinations from any discipline (science/arts/commerce) and must obtain a combined GPA of 6. However, GPA less than 2.5 in any of the exam is not accepted. In addition to that, they will have to sit for the GoB admission test and shall have to obtain a pass mark. Only the selected students through this process can apply to GCCN.

For B.Sc in Nursing (Basic)

The applicants must have passed both their SSC and HSC examinations from Science background with biology compulsory and must obtain a total of GPA 7. GPA less than 3.00 in any of these exams (SSC and HSC) is not accepted and obtaining GPA 3.00 in biology in both the examinations is necessary. Furthermore, the applicant will have to sit for the GoB admission test and have to obtain a pass mark to apply to GCCN. Only the selected students can apply in GCCN.

For B.Sc in Nursing (Post Basic)

Students who have completed their Diploma in Nursing course successfully, can apply for 2 years B.Sc. in Nursing (post basic nursing) course. Such eligible candidates will have to sit for a GoB admission test and obtain pass mark.

For M.Sc in Nursing (Nursing Education, Community Health Nursing, Adult & Elderly Health Nursing, Nursing Management, Women's Health & Midwifery)

Applicants must have passed Bachelor of Science in Nursing or Bachelor of Science in Midwifery from any nursing college recognized by BNMC, with at least 2 years of clinical experience and updated BNMC registration.

FOREIGN STUDENTS' ADMISSION CRITERIA

Your Global Nursing Journey Starts at GCCN!

International Students: Your Pathway to Excellence in Bangladesh!

Simple Steps to Join Us:

Academic Ready: Strong SSC/O-Level & HSC/A-Level (or equivalent) with Biology, Chemistry, physics (min. GPA 3.50 each, 7.00 combined).

Official Papers: Get all documents attested by your home country's Ministry & the Bangladesh Embassy.

Apply Via Embassy: Submit your application through the Bangladesh Embassy in your country.

Health & Registration: Complete a medical check-up, then register with BNMC & University of Dhaka upon admission.

Embark on your rewarding nursing career with GCCN – apply today!



INFRASTRUCTURES

Classroom

GCCN is committed to ensuring an exciting learning and recreational environment in our college. We offer a modern, quiet and tidy campus with high standard classrooms. There are a total of 14 classrooms (7 small and 7 large) in GCCN. Well-furnished, spacious classrooms equipped with the latest teaching aids like multimedia projectors are available to have highly interactive and useful sessions in classroom teaching. All classrooms are well-illuminated, properly ventilated, have modern sitting arrangement, and equipped with Air Conditioning and sound system.

Lab

In GCCN, students get a special opportunity to use various kinds of lab facilities to develop their skills and competencies. Students are taken to the lab practice after finishing their theory classes in each topic so that they become capable of developing both their theoretical and practical knowledge very strongly. These labs are all well equipped with real-life clinical simulation where students can conveniently learn to care for patients in the right manner. Our labs are-

- Anatomy and Physiology Lab
- Science Lab (Microbiology, Chemistry and Physics Lab)
- Fundamentals of Nursing lab
- Nutrition Lab
- Maternity and Neonatal Lab
- Medical and Surgical Nursing Lab
- ICU and Operation Theater Lab
- Computer Lab
- Language Lab



Library

GCCN has a large library where a huge number of students can study at a time. This library is well equipped with modern technology like e-library, national and international books, journals, health related books etc. Students can borrow books from the library as well as they can also use the library materials online. The library facilitates a silent and cool environment to study attentively.

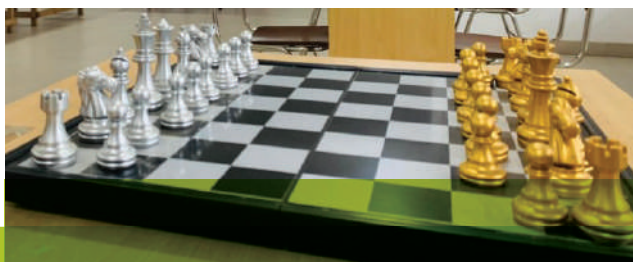


E-library

GCCN has launched an e-library for its students & faculty members. Other visitors can request temporary guest Wi-Fi access on e-library's device at the Help Desk. There are laptop/desktop clusters in the library for faculties and students. All users will have access to any of their devices too.

Dormitory

GCCN provides a 9 storied building for the female students with fully furnished rooms, large dining, indoor-outdoor gaming, prayer room, common rooms, sick/isolation rooms, and TV room facilities. This hostel has a total 154 rooms with the capacity of 700 students. GCCN also provides residential facilities for the foreign teachers/visitors and students in this hostel. Housemothers are taking care of daily needs and security of the students round the clock. In addition to that a standard safety and security system is highly maintained by the authority. Everyday 3 meals considering nutritional value are provided in a big 200 seat capacity dining hall on the ground floor of the hostel.



SCHOLARSHIPS



- GCCN offers scholarships for B. Sc in Nursing / Diploma in Nursing / Diploma in Midwifery for toppers in the GoB nursing admission test.
- GCCN offers scholarships to the meritorious (underprivileged / financially insolvent) students following govt. rules & regulations.
- GCCN offers scholarships for M.Sc. (Nursing) course for the top place achievers in the final B.Sc (Nursing) exam (Terms & conditions applicable)
- GCCN offers scholarships for PhD (Nursing) course for the top place achievers in the final M.Sc. (Nursing) exam (Terms & conditions applicable). Successful PhD holders may have chance to work as teaching faculty for GCCN.



FOREIGN UNIVERSITY COLLABORATION

GCCN: Globally Connected!

Collaborations with top global universities mean experience student exchange, faculty development, And dynamic multi-exchange classes. Unlock global learning at GCCN and Prepare for a truly international nursing career.



Glasgow Caledonian University
Scotland



Hiroshima University
Japan



Albukhary International University
Malaysia



Georgetown University
USA



Adelphi University
USA

OTHER FACILITIES

Our college provides some extra facilities for the students. These facilities include-

- Gymnasium.
- Doctors Room.
- Main Cafeteria (Academic Building).
- Mini Cafeteria (Hostel Building).
- Indoor Games.
- Recreational activities such as picnic, study tour, cultural programme, sports & debate.
- Well decorated computer lab with high-speed internet.
- Modern language lab with state-of-the-art English language learning facilities.



Beyond academics, GCCN is a hub of social innovation!

**Where Social Business Meets Global Youth.
Interact with world-famous visitors and health top leaders and investors.
Showcase your talents on a worldwide platform.
Be a part of global change!**

CAREER OPPORTUNITY THROUGH JOB FAIR

After the completion of the courses successfully, eligible students are facilitated to get jobs in different Government and Non-Government Medical Colleges & Hospitals, Clinics, Thana Health Complex and in different health technology institutes. Moreover, students are trained to work all over the world such as in the Middle East, Europe, America and elsewhere.

GCCN arranges Job Fair every year for the final batch students and hospital officials from various organizations and places come to GCCN campus and offer jobs to the students, so that students can learn about the different hospitals' facilities and can choose desired hospitals for their job.



NCLEX-RN

**Global Nursing Career Starts Here!
Exciting News for Aspiring Nurses Worldwide!**



Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing (GCCN) is thrilled to announce that we will soon host an official NCLEX Examination Center right here in Bangladesh! This means unparalleled convenience and support. Pursue your world-class nursing education at GCCN, and then take your crucial NCLEX exam in a familiar, supportive environment, close to your academic home.

**Study at GCCN
Your Pathway to Global Nursing Excellence, Simplified!**

EXAM VENUE

Grameen Caledonian College of Nursing obtained approval from the University of Dhaka to conduct final examinations on its own campus.



ACHIEVEMENT & AWARDS

Accreditation

GCCN achieved 5 Starts in 2025 from BNMC for its extra-ordinary performance.

Awards

GCCN/GCU received the Unilever International Award that recognizes businesses that can demonstrate positive impact in the promotion of one or more of the UN Millennium Development Goals.

Student Achievements

Every year students get top places in the merit list in all courses. Hundreds of graduates from GCCN have been dedicatedly working for both government and private hospitals with honor and recognition.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Seminar/ Workshop

Regular seminars and workshops are held to enhance the knowledge and skill of both students and teachers. Often resource persons from outside are invited to conduct workshops on various issues related to teaching and learning activities in nursing.

Picnic/ Away Day

Every year during winter, college picnics are held with a view to refresh, entertain and reenergize. Staffs and students take part in various fun activities during the picnic. There is also an Away Day for the staff to get away from day to day work and take time to recuperate for future contribution to the college development. There are numerous team building activities conducted during the Away Day.

Graduation Program

Every year a grand graduation program is held for the graduates offering successful passing out from respective courses. This graduation program is very special and memorable for the graduates as it turns a new chapter in their life.

Observance of National & International Days

GCCN ceremoniously observes various National and International days such as, Independence Day, Victory Day, International Mother Language day, Nurses Day, World Health Day etc. Various cultural programs and discussion are held to mark the days.

Debating Programs

To develop critical thinking and analytical skills of the students, an annual debate competition is held on major and current issues. Students conduct the debate in English and participate spontaneously. Experienced teachers help the students in preparing for the presentation.

Joining One Young Summit

Students and faculty members regularly join the International One Young World Summit. The summit designed for the youth and enables the students to connect with young leaders across the world.

Cultural Programs

GCCN celebrates various cultural programs with colorful festivities with the spontaneous participation of both staff and students. It also marks national days such as International Mother Language Day, Independence Day, Victory Day etc. During the programs the students participate in rally, dance, music, short drama etc. Cultural programs are also held during the annual picnic.

Games & Sports Activities

GCCN students participate in both indoor and outdoor activities such as playing chess, carrom, badminton, table tennis etc. There is also an annual sports events for both male & female students. These sports activities are crucial for mental refreshment and physical growth.

