STATE-ENROLLED NURSE

What do I do in this job?
• I nurse patients and carry out necessary medical treatments,
• prepare patients for diagnostic, therapeutic or surgical procedures,
• support care-dependent patients in everyday life,
• give individual psycho-social help,
• advise patients and their families,
• carry out any incurring organisational and administrative tasks,
• plan, coordinate and document nursing procedures and
• assist with medical examinations and surgical interventions.

Where do I work?
• In hospitals,
• specialist doctors’ practices,
• health centres,
• retirement and nursing homes as well as care support centres,
• respite care facilities and
• homes for handicapped people.
How long does the training take?

- It takes three to three and a half years full-time;
- is a nationwide standardised training in vocational nursing schools

Where does the training take place?

- The theoretical part in health service schools and other training institutions,
- the practical phases in hospitals, clinics and home care facilities.

What do I require for the training?

- As minimum a secondary certificate of education after 10 years’ schooling (legal requirement), or vocational training of at least two years, or successfully completed training of at least one year in health care or as a nursing or geriatric auxiliary, under the provision of federal law,
- a medical certificate confirming fitness for this kind of work,
- in many federal states a criminal record check is also required,
- occasionally a passed, written entrance exam and
- a contract with a nursing care facility for the practical training.

What do I earn during training?

- 1st year of training: 826 - 956 euro gross/month
- 2nd year of training: 887 - 1,017 euro gross/month
- 3rd year of training: 900 - 1,118 euro gross/month

What does the training cost?

Depending on the federal state, school fees must be paid; in NRW no school fees are necessary. There may be charges for teaching material, registration and/or examinations.

What do I earn after training?

Approx. 2,200 to 2,900 euro gross/month.