

# GERIATRIC NURSE

## What do I do in this job?

- I care for and nurse older people,
- administer medication,
- carry out special nursing procedures,
- support older people in coping with their everyday lives,
- care for the terminally ill and
- have organisational and administrative responsibilities.

## Where do I work?

- In geriatric and geriatric-psychiatric departments of hospitals,
- in care facilities,
- in rehabilitation facilities,
- in retirement homes and homes for the handicapped,
- in senior citizens' advisory centres and
- in district nursing.

# TRAINING AS A GERIATRIC NURSE

## How long does the training take?

- Three years full time;
- the training is standardised nationwide

## Where does the training take place?

- The theoretical part in vocational schools, colleges and training institutions,
- the practical phases in care facilities and nursing services.

## 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 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,
- a contract with a geriatric care facility for the practical training,
- a contract with a geriatric training institution for the theoretical training.

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## What do I earn during training?

- 1st year..... 955.69 euro gross/month.
- 2nd year ..... 1,017.07 euro gross/month.
- 3rd year ..... 1,118.38 euro gross/month.

These details are given by the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Women, Senior Citizens and Youth and describe the trainee allowance in public service; there may be deviations depending on the tariff. Euro brutto/Monat.

## 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.

## How much do I earn after training?

Approx. 2,100 to 2,400 euro gross/month.

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