Hello, my name is Ted Hewitt and I am the programme lead for the Postgraduate Diploma with Professional Registration in Nursing and I would like to start by congratulating you on your successful application to the programme and welcome to the University of York.

On finishing this two year, full time postgraduate diploma you will be able to join the professional nursing register with the Nursing and Midwifery Council. You will learn how to provide person centred evidence-based care to individuals and their families across the lifespan. Working in partnership with the public and the healthcare team to promote health and wellbeing. You will undertake practice experience in a range of healthcare settings that will support you to develop your practice skills and make sound clinical judgements and coordinate and evaluate nursing practice.

Combining your practice experience with taught modules will equip you to reflect on practice utilising a range of sources of evidence to apply critical reasoning and resolution of complex issues that arise in nursing practice.

Throughout this course you will gain confidence and knowledge of the policies, theory, research and practice of contemporary nursing. Your postgraduate qualification will identify you as a leader in the field of nursing.

The postgraduate diploma is an intensive programme that enables you to get your nurse registration in just two years. To help you achieve this you will be given a personal supervisor to help you with your academic studies, along with the module team. In your practice experiences you will have the support of a clinical mentor, as well as a link lecturer at each of the places you attend.

As a Department we encourage student involvement in their programme and University life. The University has a vibrant graduate student association and you will have the opportunity to attend the events that they run throughout the year. In addition, your voice in developing the programme is also important to us and we would encourage you to elect student representatives. Student representatives have a role in the programme developing through engaging with quality assurance processes that are run throughout the year.

There is much more information that can be given here and you can access this through the preparing to study website. Do take the time to check it out and have a look around and we look forward to seeing you when the programme begins.

Thank you.