## Royal United Hospitals Bath

## **Kathryn Riddick**

**Currently working as...** a Junior Sister on the Medical Assessment Unit

Kathryn has worked on the Medical Assessment Unit (MAU) at the RUH since she qualified as a nurse in 2012.

"I did my training at UWE and undertook my placements here in Bath. Once I was qualified I knew I wanted to work in an acute hospital, so I applied for a staff nurse job on MAU.

As a newly qualified nurse I wanted to make sure that I would get lots of all-round experience, and the environment on MAU is perfect for that. You get to treat acute patients of all ages, with all kinds of illnesses and conditions. In one day I might see



someone with COPD, a patient with chest pain, a neutropenic patient and someone with advanced dementia. The work really is varied.

The MAU team is great, I have been fully supported in applying for my current secondment to Junior Sister, and our Consultants really take the time to answer your questions. The rest of the nursing team are brilliant, and everyone always pulls together. There are lots of people with specialist knowledge who you can always ask for advice.

On MAU there are always so many opportunities to learn something new, it's a really great place to work."