

2-Year Master of Science in Nursing Online

SAMPLE CURRICULUM PLAN¹

RN-MSN Online students complete 13 credits of baccalaureate-level classes before they begin graduate-level coursework. Their graduate coursework consists of 12 credits of core master's-level nursing courses and 21 credits within their chosen specialty: Education, Leadership or Community-based Public Health.

Core MSN courses are indicated with an asterisk.* | Pre-MSN courses are indicated with a plus sign.+



ONLINE NURSING PROGRAMS RN-MSN CURRICULUM

6 SEMESTERS, 46 CREDITS | COMPLETE IN AS FEW AS 24 MONTHS

SEMESTER 1	All Specializations		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RN-BSN Health Assessment (3 credit hours)⁺ • RN-BSN Community Health Nursing (5 credit hours)⁺ • RN-BSN Nursing Leadership (5 credit hours)⁺ 		
SEMESTER 2	Education Specialization	Leadership Specialization	Community-based Public Health Specialization
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice (3 credit hours)[*] • Advanced Pathophysiology and Pharmacology for Nurse Educators (4 credit hours) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice (3 credit hours)[*] • Healthcare Economics and Financial Management (4 credit hours)[*] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice (3 credit hours)[*] • Introduction to Epidemiology and Data Management (4 credit hours)
SEMESTER 3	Education Specialization	Leadership Specialization	Community-based Public Health Specialization
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum Development in Nursing Education (3 credit hours) • Teaching Strategies for Nursing Education (2 credit hours) • Technology Strategies in Digital and Online Courses (2 credit hours)[*] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contemporary Healthcare Organizations (3 credit hours) • Technology Management in Nursing Leadership (2 credit hours)[*] • Quality Improvement and Safety in Nursing Healthcare Leadership (2 credit hours)[*] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundations of Community-based Public Health (3 credit hours) • Ethics, Law and Healthcare Policy in Community-based Public Health (4 credit hours)⁺

SEMESTER 4	Education Specialization	Leadership Specialization	Community-based Public Health Specialization
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Integration in Nursing Practice (3 credit hours)*² • Educational Ethics and Health Care Policy (3 credit hours)* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Integration in Nursing Practice (3 credit hours)*² • Evolving Healthcare Systems (3 credit hours) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Integration in Nursing Practice (3 credit hours)*² • Contemporary Healthcare Organizations (3 credit hours)

SEMESTER 5	Education Specialization	Leadership Specialization	Community-based Public Health Specialization
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing Education Evaluation Strategies (3 credit hours) • Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Educators (2 credit hours) • Teaching Strategies for Simulation in Nursing Education (2 credit hours) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership Ethics, Law and Healthcare Policy (4 credit hours) • Emerging Complex Healthcare Systems (3 credit hours) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Health Promotion and Risk Reduction (3 credit hours) • Healthcare Economics and Financial Management (4 credit hours)

SEMESTER 6	All Specializations		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursing Practicum (3 credit hours)* • Master's Project (3 credit hours)* 		

¹Sample course plan only. Actual course sequence may differ. Curriculum accurate as of April 2024. Subject to change.

²Completion of a course in statistics is required prior to enrollment in Research Integration in Nursing Practice. This course is not required prior to admission, only prior to enrolling in the research course.



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