

# Nursing, M.S. in Nursing

## Natural Science

The Department of Nursing offers a hybrid online program leading to the Master of Science degree with a major in Nursing. The program is approved the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and CCNE accredited. Students may choose to complete a core population based MS in Nursing only or add additional course work for specialization in nursing education or advanced community/public health.

### APPLICANTS

Program applicants must meet the following requirements to be fully admitted. Students may complete a maximum of 12 quarter units with conditional admission prior to being fully admitted:

1. BSN or BS/BA in related field plus competency verification.
2. GPA of 3.0 in last 90 quarter (60 semester) units attempted.
3. Current CA RN license.
4. Professional and/or academic competence in nursing via 3 recommendations. (2008)
5. Graduate Entrance Writing Requirement
6. Upper Division Statistics Course
7. NURS 601: Prep for MSN Learning with Technology (1)

### SPECIAL FEATURES

Small class sizes ensure personalized attention  
Coursework is available in hybrid/online format  
Outstanding faculty  
Published scholars  
Active researchers  
Experienced educators  
Clinical experience in a variety of settings\*  
WASC approved program  
CCNE accredited  
\* access to clinical agency requires insured transportation

### EMPLOYMENT AND SALARY OUTLOOK

Expansion of health services is due to population growth, an increase in number of elderly in population, Medicare, increasing participation in hospitalization and health plans, and greater emphasis on preventive health services and rehabilitation of the handicapped. The need for staff nurses, nursing administrators, educators, researchers, and community/public health nurses is critical, offering almost unlimited advancement opportunities to nurses holding bachelor's, master's, or doctorate degrees in nursing. Salaries will vary with size and type of employer, geographic location, course work, and professional assistance.

### TYPICAL EMPLOYERS

Colleges and Universities  
Community Clinics  
Community Service Organizations  
Government Agencies  
Home Health Care Agencies  
Correctional Facilities  
Hospices  
Hospitals  
Nursing and Convalescent Homes  
Public and Private Schools  
Public Health Departments

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The professional nurse with a bachelor's degree is prepared to function in a variety of health care settings. Some careers require additional education and experience, in order to function in an advanced role.

### CAREER FIELDS

Office Nurse	Nurse Educator, in academic and non-academic settings
Nurse Consultant	Distance Learning and
Public Health Nurse	Nursing Education
Clinical/Staff Nurse	Technology
Private Duty Nurse	Training Director
Home Health Care Nurse	Public Health Educator
Mental Health Nurse	Head Nurse
Military Nurse	Occupational Health Nurse
Nursing Administration	

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## DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS

1. MS in Nursing students must carry malpractice insurance in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 aggregate in order to be admitted to clinical courses. This can be obtained through the university with the applicable fee.
2. Students must meet departmental medical compliance requirements. Please contact the department for more details.
3. Students must have current health insurance.
4. Students must have a current background check prior to their clinical experience.
5. Students must have access to insured transportation for their clinical experience.
6. Students must have a current American Heart Association CPR Healthcare provider level card.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

### Core Courses – all programs (39 Units)

- NURS 600 Population Health Assmt (6)  
 NURS 610 Program Planning & Eval (6)  
 NURS 620 Health Policy Leadership (6)  
 NURS 646 Epidemiology (4)  
 NURS 635 Biostatistics (4)  
 NURS 645 Adv Nursing Research (4)  
 NURS 655 Theoretical Foundations (4)  
 NURS 630 Advanced Nursing Roles (3)  
 NURS 688 Advanced Role Practicum (2)

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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## PROGRAM OPTIONS

### Population-Based Advanced Practice Nursing (45 units) 330 clinical hours

The following culminating sequence:

NURS 690 Preparation for Comprehensive Examination (2) and  
 NURS 999 Comprehensive Examination (0)

Elective (4)

### Nurse Educator (for academic and healthcare settings) (53-57 units) : 330 clinical hours

NURS 658 Nursing Education: Curriculum & Instruction (4)

NURS 659 Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education (4)

NURS 660 Instructional Technology in Nursing Education (4)

One of the following culminating sequences (2-6 units):

#### **Clinical Project**

NURS 697 Clinical Project in Nursing (6)

#### **Thesis Research**

NURS 699 Thesis Research in Nursing (6)

#### **Comprehensive Examination**

NURS 690 Preparation for Comprehensive Examination (2)

NURS 999 Comprehensive Examination (0)

### Advanced Community/Public Health Nursing (59-67 units); 510 hours

1. Choose from the following:

- a. One of the above concentration sequences
- b. Twelve units of electives.

2. NURS 681 & 682 Advanced Community/Public Health Internship I & II (3+3)

3. One of the following culminating sequences (2-6 units):

#### **A. Clinical Project**

NURS 697 Clinical Project in Nursing (6)

#### **B. Thesis Research**

NURS 699 Thesis Research in Nursing (6)

#### **C. Comprehensive Examination**

NURS 690 Preparation for Comprehensive Examination (2)

NURS 999 Comprehensive Examination (0)

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