# MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

#### SCHOOL OF NURSING

Available on the Jackson, Hendersonville, and Germantown Campuses

#### Mission Statement

To prepare graduates for advanced professional nursing practice with specific functional and clinical abilities

# **MSN Program Goals**

- To provide masters nursing education that builds on one's previous nursing foundation.
- To prepare the graduate for advanced professional nursing practice with specific functional and clinical abilities
- · To prepare advanced professional nurses academically for doctoral study in nursing

# MSN Expected Student Outcomes

The graduate of the master's nursing program will be able to:

1. Incorporate theory and research in advanced nursing practice.

- 2. Assume leadership roles in one's speciality area of nursing to promote health and well being of persons in an intercultural world.
- 3. Integrate knowledge of health care economics and policy into the delivery of cost effective, ethically responsible nursing care.
- 4. Manage information using technology to inf uence nursing practice.
- 5. Demonstrate competency in the selected nursing practice.

# The Cohort Approach and Calendar

In the fall semester of each year the MSN Program accepts students in the Nurse Education, Nurse Administration, and Nurse Practitioner tracks. Groups pursue the degree as a cohort. This model emphasizes group cohesion, cooperation, and interactive support. Within semesters, some courses are offered in an accelerated, 7-8 week format.

Each cohort is presented its unique calendar for the complete program. Current MSN calendars are available at www.uu.edu/msn

# Program Admission Requirements for All Tracks

Admission to the program will be based on competitive selection from the pool of applicants who meet the following admission requirements:

1. Completion of an accredited nursing program according to track specific options. Applicants with a previously

must complete or show evidence of completion of the designated courses for the specific track or program.

- Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions must be submitted directly through NursingCAS. Please do not send transcripts for non-traditional nursing programs to Undergraduate Admissions. Transcripts must be received by NursingCAS in a sealed envelope from all previous academic institutions attended. Off cial transcripts from all post-secondary institutions must be sent to: NursingCAS, P.O. Box 9201, Watertown, MA 02471.
- 3. 3. Proof of current unencumbered RN licensure in state of residence and eligible for licensure as registered One letter of reference must be from the

applicant's immediate supervisor.

- 7. Completed application with application fee of \$50
- 8. Last 60 hours cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- 9. Completion of undergraduate statistics course 10C leared criminal background check

11. Clean drug screen

Additional requirements for the Nurse Practitioner and Nurse Educator tracksinclude a Science GPA of 30 on 4.0 scale, defined as Anatomy and Physiology 1 and 2, and Statistics is preferred.

Applicants are required to submit the following

- Christian Studies 6 hrs
- English Composition 1 and 2 6 hrs
- Social Science 9 hrs
- · Humanities 9 hrs
- 2. When these courses are completed, the applicant will notify the track coordinator no later than December 31 prior to the year they wish to start.
- 3. The following undergraduate nursing courses must be completed with a grade of "B' or above by May 31st of the year the applicant plans be considered for the MSN cohort. The nursing courses may be in progress

readiness to be considered for the MSN applicant pool.

- NUR 306 Scientif c Writing
- NUR 330 Research

The RN to MSN does not award a BSN.

Acceptance to the RN to MSN program does not guarantee acceptance to any MSN track. Applicants who are not selected to progress to the MSN cohort will be given the opportunity to enter the RN to BSN program.

RN to MSN With Previously Earned Bachelor's Degree In

#### **Financial Information**

Tuition Rates (per credit hour)
RN to MSN Administration and Education
Undergraduate courses
Graduate courses
RN to MSN Nurse Practitioner:
Undergraduate courses
Graduate courses
MSN Administration and Education 572
MSN Nurse Practitioner 572
Post-Graduate Certif cate
Administration and Education tracks 572
NP tracks 572

Full payment for a term (winter, fall, spring summer, or other non-regular term) is expected at the time of registration for classes

Application Fee:\$50	
General Student Fee:	
Insurance fee per year	
Binding of Thesis or Scholarly Project	
Course Tracking System	
Case Tracking System (NAT)	
Sitting fee for composite picture of class	
Cap and Gown Rentalapprox. 150	
Certifed Medical Document Manager\$35	
Certifed Drug Screen and Background Check \$110	
Simulation Fee/Nurse Anesthesia	
NUR 600 Lab Fee	
Course Evaluation Annual Fee	
One-time fee for digital patient (all NP and Education	
students)	

Any combination of the following payment is available.

- 1. Check, cash, or credit card. The latter is subject to a convenience fee of 2.5%.
- 2. Federal Stafford loan
- 3. Employer reimbursement
- 4 FACTS (an electronic monthly draft from a savings or checking account)

Books cost approximately \$150 per course.

All financial information is subject to change without notice.

#### Federal Stafford Loan

The Stafford loan application process will require that you:

- Complete and forward the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to the federal government with Union University's code of 003528.
- 2. Complete a Union Financial Aid Application and a Stafford Master Promissory Note and forward to the Union University Student Financial Planning Office.
- 3. For more information, contact the Student Financial Planning Office at 731-661-5015.

If Federal Stafford loan is not approved and available at the time of registration, the student must assume the cost by paying in full by check, cash, credit card, or FACTS.

### **Employer Tuition Reimbursement**

1. The student is responsible for providing information to the  ${\it consider}$  versity  $\acute{{\it U}}$  1 \$ student student