NURSING — M.S.

Learning outcomes for Master of Science

The learning outcomes of the master's degree program are designed to prepare nurse leaders with a Christian perspective to enable them to contribute to professional nursing through clinical practice, teaching, and administration. Upon completion of the Master of Science degree, the graduate will demonstrate the following:

1. Synthesize and apply research findings as a foundation for evidence-based practice.
2. Apply informatics and health-care technologies to support data management and improve patient care.
3. Collaborate interprofessionally to improve patient and population health outcomes.
4. Utilize baccalaureate-level humanities, nursing, and science competencies as a basis for advanced nursing practice.
5. Use organizational and systems leadership, management, and teaching skills to promote high-quality and safe patient care.
6. Contribute to health policy and advocacy by working with clients, health professionals, and organizations to improve access, quality, and delivery of health care.
7. Apply quality improvement and safety methods, tools, performance measures, and standards within professional settings.
8. Engage in clinical prevention and health promotion to maintain and improve population health.
9. Utilize advanced knowledge acquired from nursing and cognate sciences as a basis for advanced nursing practice.

Admissions

In addition to Loma Linda University admission requirements, the applicant to the Master of Science program in nursing must also complete the following requirements:

1. Baccalaureate degree in nursing or its equivalent from a regionally accredited program.
2. GPA of 3.0, both cumulative and in nursing courses.
3. Current United States RN license before application and CA RN license before the start of classes.
4. Three electronic recommendations from recent professors or current work supervisor.
5. Interview by faculty members in the School of Nursing.
6. Health Science Reasoning Test (HSRT).

Application deadlines

Applicants seeking graduate admission must have the application process completed by the dates indicated in the following.

Nurse Educator, Nursing Administration

- Autumn Quarter—April 1
- Winter Quarter—August 1
- Spring Quarter—November 1

Pre-entrance requirements (http://llucatalog.llu.edu/about-university/admission-policies-information/#preentrancerequirementstext):

1. Health clearance, including immunizations

Regulations

Nondegree course status

Up to 12 units of required core course work may be taken as a nondegree student, with the consent of the instructor, while the application submission and review are in progress. If grades of B or higher are earned, the course work may be applied toward the graduate degree upon acceptance into the program.

Course scheduling

Core nursing courses are scheduled to accommodate the typical working nurse.

Curriculum change

The school reserves the right to update and modify the curriculum without prior notice to maintain currency with standards in health care.

Students in continuous attendance will meet graduation requirements of the CATALOG under which they enter the School of Nursing unless change is necessary to comply with new professional standards.

General requirements

For information about requirements and practices to which all graduate students are subject, the student should consult the Catalog of Loma Linda University, Section II About the University and in Section III, About the Schools, School of Nursing.

M.S. concentrations

Demonstration of comprehensive learning is required, either through a project or requirements embedded in courses required for the Master of Science degree, depending on the selected area of concentration

- Nurse Educator: Adult-Gerontology (http://llucatalog.llu.edu/nursing/graduate/ms/nurse-educator/adult-gerontology)
- Nurse Educator: Obstetrics and Pediatrics (http://llucatalog.llu.edu/nursing/graduate/ms/nurse-educator/obstetrics-pediatrics)
- Nursing Administration (http://llucatalog.llu.edu/nursing/graduate/ms/nursing-administration-concentration)
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