

Online Programs

Students enrolling in a UCF Online program will receive a waiver for some campus-based fees, such as Activity and Service Fee, Transportation and Access Fee, Health Fee, Athletic Fee, and Technology Fee. Consequently, UCF Online students will have reduced access to on-campus resources.

Program Descriptions

Nurse Educator MSN

UCF's online Nurse Educator is an accredited MSN program that **prepares nurses to teach** in undergraduate nursing and/or health professions programs at colleges and universities, healthcare agencies, and/or in the community.

The demand for nurse educators with a MSN degree continues to increase. According to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, faculty shortages at nursing schools across the nation are limiting student capacity at a time when the demand for nurses continues to grow.

UCF's online MSN program provides foundational knowledge for application to the online PhD in Nursing program.

Learn from UCF's highly qualified nurse faculty experts, many of whom are also Certified Nurse Educators.

Leadership and Management MSN

UCF's accredited online MSN Leadership and Management program **prepares emerging and experienced nurse leaders for advanced leadership roles** by developing independent expertise in critical analysis and evidence-based evaluation of complex problems at the organization and system levels.

Curriculum emphasis is on evidence-based management and patient-care practices to achieve quality outcomes, innovation in the integration of health-care services, and expertise in leading collaborative interprofessional teams for the novice and seasoned nurse leader. UCF's online MSN program provides foundational knowledge for application to the online PhD in Nursing program.

Learn from UCF's highly qualified nurse faculty experts. Alumni often earn positions of authority, such as Nurse Manager or Chief Nursing/Clinical Officer.

Nursing and Healthcare Simulation MSN

The online UCF Nursing and Healthcare Simulation MSN is intended for nurses who wish to pursue an accredited MSN with a special focus in simulation. With the field rapidly evolving, there is growing demand for healthcare simulation experts in the areas of education, team training and quality improvement.

Graduates are well-prepared to **develop and lead nursing and healthcare simulation programs in academic and practice settings**. Students will learn best practices for mannequin-based simulation, master how to evaluate and measure the effectiveness of simulation programs and complete a self-designed project.

Learn from three of the world's elite healthcare simulation educators, each having earned advanced certification in the field (CHSE-A).

Program Details

Start Fall or Spring term

Deadlines April 1 or Sept. 1

Format Cohort, full-time or part-time

Schedule Online classes; Clinical hour participation in home community

Length 5 or 7 semesters

Credit hours 35

Clinical hours 240

60 Clinical Specialty Practicum
180 Internship/Residency in Nursing Education

Tuition \$327.32 per credit hour (in-state)
\$1,151.72 per credit hour (out-of-state)

Graduate students may incur other fees, such as Material and Supply Fee, Equipment Fee and Online Course Proctoring Fee, etc.

Start Fall or Spring term

Deadlines April 1 or Sept. 1

Format Cohort, accelerated or part-time

Schedule Online classes; Clinical hour participation in home community

Length 5 or 7 semesters

Credit hours 36

Clinical hours 315

135 Role Specialization Practicum
180 Leadership and Management Internship

Tuition \$327.32 per credit hour (in-state)
\$1,151.72 per credit hour (out-of-state)

Graduate students may incur other fees, such as Material and Supply Fee, Equipment Fee and Online Course Proctoring Fee, etc.

Start Fall or Spring term

Deadlines April 1 or Sept. 1

Format Cohort, full-time or part-time

Schedule Online classes; Clinical hour participation in home community

Length 4 or 5 semesters

Credit hours 31

Clinical hours 60

60 Clinical Specialty Practicum

Tuition \$327.32 per credit hour (in-state)
\$1,151.72 per credit hour (out-of-state)

Graduate students may incur other fees, such as Material and Supply Fee, Equipment Fee and Online Course Proctoring Fee, etc.

Curriculum & Requirements

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MSN Core Courses

- Theory for Advanced Practice Nursing
- Legal and Professional Behavior in Advanced Nursing Practice
- Research Methodology for Advanced Practice Nursing
- Evidenced-based Practice

Track Specific Courses

Nurse Educator MSN

- Pathophysiological Bases for Advanced Nursing Practice
- Curriculum Development in Nursing Education
- Evaluation in Nursing Education
- Teaching Strategies for Nurse Educators
- Internship/Residency in Nursing Education
- Clinical Specialty Practicum for Nurse Education
- Core Clinical Concepts for Nurse Educators
- Health Promotion

Leadership and Management MSN

- Organizational Dynamics
- Health Care Informatics
- Financial Management and Resource Development
- Nursing Leadership and Management I
- Nursing Environment Management
- Nursing Leadership Role Specialization Practicum I
- Nursing and Leadership Management Internship
- Elective

Nursing and Healthcare Simulation MSN

- Introduction to Nursing and Healthcare Simulation
- Organizational Leadership and Operations in Healthcare Simulation
- Healthcare Simulation Capstone Project
- Pathophysiological Bases for Advanced Nursing Practice
- Core Clinical Concepts for Nurse Educators
- Clinical Specialty Practicum for Nurse Education
- Elective

Application Requirements

1. Request Official Transcripts

If you are not a UCF graduate, official transcripts from each college or university attended must be sent in a **sealed envelope** directly to:

**University of Central Florida
College of Graduate Studies
P.O. Box 160112
Orlando, FL 32816-0112**

or electronically to:
gradadmissions@ucf.edu

2. Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree

The BSN must be earned from an regionally accredited institution and the nursing program must also be accredited by the CCNE or ACEN. Nurses with a bachelor's degree in a field other than nursing are eligible to apply for the MSN program but must complete 9 credit hours of prerequisite courses, in addition to their MSN plan of study.

3. Undergraduate Statistics Course

4. RN License

Required in the state or country in which the student will practice.

5. Written Essay

Address the following in 500 words or less, double-spaced using 1-inch margins and 12-pt. Times New Roman font:

Describe your future career plans and how the program to which you are applying will help you achieve your career goals; Describe the changes you would make in your personal and professional life to ensure success in your graduate nursing education; and Identify one significant contemporary issue or problem in U.S. healthcare and explore how members of the nursing profession can help address that issue or solve that problem.

6. Curriculum Vitae

CV must reflect prior education, recent clinical and/or practice accomplishments, any recent scholarly work (publications, presentations, grants and/or research participation), awards and scholarships received, additional professional certifications, volunteer activities, and membership, leadership and activities with professional organizations and community service organizations. For recent graduates, this can include accomplishments as a student.

7. Three Professional Recommendations

8. Potential Interview

For more information or questions about UCF's online MSN programs, please visit our website or email gradnurseadvisor@ucf.edu.