

Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice), MS

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Have you earned your bachelor's degree and aspire to become a registered nurse? Our full-time graduate program seamlessly integrates prelicensure nursing education with advanced graduate nursing content. Embark on this transformative journey. Your future in nursing begins at ASU.

Program description

Degree awarded: MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice)

The MS program in nursing with a concentration in entry to nursing practice provides a pathway for students holding a baccalaureate degree in another discipline who want to become registered nurses. It is widely known as a master's entry program in nursing, or MEPN.

This pathway is designed to build on a student's previous education experience. This is a full-time program with lectures, experiential learning (simulation labs) and clinical experiences, so students should expect a time commitment of at least 40 hours a week. Program highlights include:

- streamlined program designed for individuals with nonnursing bachelor's degrees
- gaining nursing fundamentals and advanced nursing knowledge
- developing hands-on skills through simulation and clinical experiences
- completing a graduate degree in nursing with preparation for diverse nursing roles

Through this program, an entry pathway to the profession of nursing, graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination and apply for RN licensure through a state board of nursing.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix](#)

Degree requirements

53 credit hours including the required applied project course (NUR 593)

Required Core (3 credit hours)

HCI 538 Innovation and the Individual (3) or NUR 501 Individual and Innovation Leadership in Health Care (3)

Concentration (40 credit hours)

DNP 602 Evaluating Research for Practice (3)

NUR 514 Nursing Theory: Nursing Fundamentals (5)

NUR 515 Nursing Concepts for Psychiatric Mental Health (2)

NUR 516 Nursing Practice: Psychiatric Mental Health (2)

NUR 517 Nursing Practice: Pediatrics (2)

NUR 518 Nursing Practice: Adults (4)

NUR 519 Role-Focused Practicum: Care Coordination for the Nurse Leader (2)

NUR 524 Nursing Practice: Childbearing Family (2)

NUR 533 Nursing Concepts: Childbearing Family (2)

NUR 542 Readiness to Practice (2)

NUR 544 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing (3)

NUR 545 Advanced Pharmacology (3)

NUR 547 Community, Global and Population Health (3)

NUR 548 Patient Safety, Health Care Quality and Informatics (3)

NUR 550 Health Assessment (2)

Other Requirements (7 credit hours)

NUR 417 Nursing Concepts: Pediatric Clients (2)

NUR 478 Nursing Practice: Complex Care (2)

NUR 546 Nursing Concepts for Complex Care (3)

Culminating Experience (3 credit hours)

NUR 593 Applied Project (3)

Admission requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in any field from a regionally accredited institution. Applicants who hold a BSN degree are not eligible and should apply to Nursing and Health Innovation.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program or a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

Applicants are required to submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. three letters of recommendation
4. letter of intent or written statement
5. professional resume
6. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of their current residency.

Applicants may be admitted to the program with deficiencies. If a student is assigned any deficiency coursework by the academic unit upon admission, those courses must be completed with a grade of "B" (scale is 4.00 = "A") or higher before completing the graduate program's required coursework. Deficiency courses may include:

BIO 201 Human Anatomy and Physiology I and BIO 202 Human Anatomy and Physiology II

CDE 232 Human Development

CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry

HCR 240 Human Pathophysiology

MIC 205 Microbiology and MIC 206 Microbiology Laboratory

NTR 241 Human Nutrition

statistics (100-level or higher three credit hour course)

Health and safety requirements include a passing disposition on a background clearance and satisfactory completion of a substance screen.

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Career opportunities

The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation prepares graduates for excellence upon entering the workplace. Graduates of this program have the knowledge and training that enable them to provide health care for patients in a wide variety of settings. Career examples include positions as intensive care nurses and registered nurses.

Professional licensure

ASU programs that may lead to professional licensure or certification are intended to prepare students for potential licensure or certification in Arizona. Completion of an ASU program may not meet educational requirements for licensure or certification in another state. For more information, students should visit the [ASU professional licensure](#) webpage.

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