



Master's Degree in Nursing

Take your nursing career to new heights
with an online MSN degree

Now more than ever, we need experienced and compassionate nurse educators who can help elevate the next generation of nurses into the effective, evidence-based, patient-centered caretakers they are meant to be. University of Bridgeport's MSN program is a dual-focused nursing leadership and education program that prepares you to take the next step into leadership opportunities in all areas of nursing and nursing education. When you earn your master's in Nursing (MSN) at UB, you'll become a healthcare leader in nursing education, research, and patient-centered care.

Work to enhance patient outcomes.

As healthcare evolves, nurses must stay current on the technological and scientific advancements they rely on every day. Nurse leaders and educators foster the growth and development of nursing by training their RNs to stay up to date on the best practices in healthcare that lead to better patient outcomes. By earning your MSN at University of Bridgeport, you'll use your skills and training to advance patient care into the future.

Earn your MSN in one of three ways.

At UB, you can tailor your MSN degree based on your professional and educational experiences. Depending on your academic background, you can earn your MSN degree at UB in one of three ways:

- UB RN to BSN to MSN Track (30 credits)
- BSN to MSN Track (39 credits)
- Accelerated RN to MSN Track (48+ credits)



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Curriculum

Direct care core graduate level Nursing courses required by AACN

NURS 550	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 560	Advanced Health Assessment and Advanced Physiology	3

Total credits: 6

Graduate Nursing core

NURS 540	Theory and Evidenced Based Practice	3
NURS 575	Quality, Safety & Policy	3
NURS 590	Nursing Informatics	3

Total credits: 9

Functional level core leadership/education courses

NURS 602	Curriculum Development and Design	3
NURS 604	Teaching Assessment and Evaluation of Outcomes	3
NURS 606	Resource Management and Finance	3
NURS 608	Organizational Leadership	3
NURS 613	Advanced Practicum in Education and Leadership	6

Total credits: 18

Elective courses - 2 required

ACCT 505	Managerial & Cost Accounting	3
EDUC 566	Contemporary Problems in Nursing Education	3
ACCT 500	Business Law and Ethics	3
EDUC 509	Psych Foundations Education	3
EDUC 592	Tech Literacy for Educators	3
MGMT 511	Human Resource Management	3
MGMT 534	Strategic Sourcing and Vendor Management	3
MGMT 505	Leadership and Organizational Behavior	3
MGMT 512	Organizational Development	3

Total credits: 6

View all courses offered and read full course descriptions in our course catalog (bridgeport.edu/academics/catalog).

University of Bridgeport is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education. The University also is accredited by the Connecticut Office of Higher Education.

The master's degree program in nursing at University of Bridgeport is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.

UB RN to BSN to MSN track

UB RN to BSN students can apply to the MSN program during their second to last semester of the RN to BSN Completion program. Once accepted into the MSN program, you can begin taking MSN courses toward the end of your BSN degree and then move into an accelerated MSN program.

BSN to MSN track

This track is designed for students who already hold a bachelor's degree in Nursing and wish to pursue UB's online master's in Nursing program.

Accelerated RN to MSN track

Designed for RNs who already have a bachelor's degree in a non-nursing field, this track serves as a pathway to earning your MSN degree without having to pursue a bachelor's degree in Nursing, saving you time and money on your path to an advanced degree in the field.

Admissions requirements

- Current, unencumbered registered nurse (RN) license in your state of residence
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Completed University of Bridgeport application
- Official transcripts for the last degree earned
- Two letters of recommendation (only one letter is required for UB RN to BSN students)
- 300–500-word personal essay describing your career goals and interest in UB's program

