

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 to the effective evidence-based, patient-centered caretakers they are meant to be. University of Bridgeport's MSN program focuses on nursing leadership and education — preparing 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 University of Bridgeport, you can become the nursing leader your community needs.

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 Pathophysiology & Health Assessment 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 610	Education Practicum	3	
NURS 612	Leadership Practicum	3	

Total Credits: 18

Elective courses - 2 required			
ACCT 505	Managerial & Cost Accounting	3	
EDUC 566	Contemporary Problems in Nursing Education	3	

Total Credits: 6

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

The 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.

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

