Healthcare and Nursing Administration at SIUE

The Healthcare and Nursing Administration (HCNA) program prepares nurses for entry into management positions in healthcare organizations, and refines the skills of experienced nurse managers to mentor them for executive-level positions. The fully online program includes 315 practicum hours.

Out-of-state students applying for this program are strongly encouraged to discuss clinical requirements with the assistant dean of graduate programs. Clinical arrangements are not able to be made in all states. For more information, visit siue.edu/consumer-disclosures.

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Master of Science, Healthcare and Nursing Administration (HCNA)

Certificate

- Healthcare and Nursing Administration Post-Master’s Certificate

Course Format

- Fully Online

Undergraduate to Graduate Nursing Options

Qualified SIUE nursing students can apply to enroll in graduate-level courses during the following undergraduate programs:

- Nursing (Traditional)
- Accelerated RN-BS
- Accelerated BS in Nursing as Second Degree

What can I do with a degree in healthcare and nursing administration?

Program graduates will be well prepared to guide and lead other nurses by becoming managers, leaders and executives in a variety of healthcare settings. Collaboration with other healthcare professionals will be essential to help transform patient care and improve outcomes.

Admission Requirements

- Graduate School application and $40 fee
- Submission of all postsecondary academic transcripts
- A degree in nursing from a CCNE or ACEN accredited program prior to enrollment. Graduates from non-CCNE or ACEN accredited program may be evaluated on an individual basis. Please contact the School of Nursing for more information.
- Minimum undergraduate (graduate for post-master’s applicants) nursing GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Submission of a personal statement
- Submission of three professional reference forms
  - One must be from your current manager
  - Two preferably from nurses holding a graduate degree in nursing or a related field
Admission Requirements Cont.
• International Applicants: Proof of English Proficiency, minimum requirements are TOEFL (79), IELTS (6.5) or equivalent
• Please note: International students who do not live in the United States are unable to enroll in this program. No student visas are available.

Application Deadline
The priority application deadline is February 1 for summer applicants, June 1 for fall applicants, and November 1 for spring applicants. Applications may still be accepted after these deadlines if space allows.

Graduation Requirements
Master’s Terminal Project (Master’s and Post-Master’s Students)
Master’s students in the School of Nursing demonstrate synthesis of their coursework, practicum experiences, and attainment of the master’s student outcomes by creating a rigorous, scholarly, evidence-based project that incorporates a broad review of the literature from nursing and related fields, and present the project orally to students and faculty, during the final synthesis course for the specialization.

Required Credit Hours/Tuition and Fees
• 33
• Visit siue.edu/graduate-tuition for detailed tuition information

Standard Program of Study
The program for the Master of Science in nursing consists of 33 semester hours for healthcare and nursing administration.

Year 1 (Fall)
• (3) NURS 600 Theory Guided Practice
• (3) PAPA 561 Biostatistics/Epidemiology
 6 - Total Credits

Year 1 (Spring)
• (3) NURS 604 Evaluating Evidence for Improving Practice & Healthcare Outcomes
• (3) NURS 606 Leadership and Health Policy for Advanced Nursing Practice
 6 - Total Credits

Year 1 (Summer)
• (3) NURS 510 Healthcare Informatics

Year 2 (Fall)
• (3) NURS 590 Organizational Behavioral and Leadership for Nurse Executives (2.5 credits didactic, .5 credit practicum)
• (3) NURS 592 Healthcare Finance and Budgeting (2.5 credits didactic, .5 credit practicum)
 6 - Total Credits

Year 2 (Spring)
• (3) NURS 556 Quality and Safety for Nurse Executives (2 credits didactic, 1 credit practicum)
• (3) NURS 593 Management of Human Resources in Health Care
 6 - Total Credits

Year 2 (Summer)
• (3) NURS 558 Nurse Executive Leadership I (2.5 credits didactic, .5 credit practicum - Begin project)

Year 3 (Fall)
• (3) NURS 594 Nurse Executive Leadership II (2 credits didactic, 1 credit practicum - Complete project)

Total Hours 33

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