Master of Science in Nursing, MSN

The College of Nursing offers the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) with three subprogram focus areas: entry into practice, clinical nurse leader (CNL), and nursing systems administration (NSA).

Learning Outcomes

Clinical Nurse Leader and Nursing Systems Administration

Graduates will be able to:
• lead unit-level teams to achieve nursing and organizational goals;
• collect, decipher, and analyze data to produce action plans to improve quality;
• promote the adoption, integration, and sustainability of evidence-based practices;
• pursue lifelong learning to support one's professional identity; and
• design innovative nursing practice environments for patient care and the workforce.

Entry into Practice

Graduates will be able to:
• ensure delivery of safe quality nursing care to diverse individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations throughout the lifespan and across systems of care;
• integrate theoretical and scientific knowledge gained from natural and social sciences and culture, society, and the liberal arts into nursing;
• use leadership skills across systems of care to promote equitable, safe, and quality health care outcomes;
• use the best evidence from multiple ways of knowing to inform practice to make clinical judgments, solve problems, and address systems improvements;
• analyze how health care policy, regulation, technology, and economics impact nursing practice and the delivery of care;
• use effective interprofessional communication and collaboration strategies to promote quality health outcomes;
• apply health promotion and disease prevention strategies to diverse individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations to promote quality health outcomes;
• demonstrate professional values fundamental to the discipline of nursing; and
• apply evidence-based, person-centered care services across the health care continuum.