

NURSING EDUCATION

Admission Requirements

Complete graduate admissions application and pay \$45 non-refundable application fee.

Official transcripts from all institutions previously attended

BSN degree with 3.0 undergraduate GPA

Valid, current unencumbered RN license in the state you will complete practicum hours

Minimum 1 year of recent practice as a registered nurse by admission start date

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1. BSN degree from an accredited program
2. Regular admission requires a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) and verification of work experience
3. Minimum 1 year of *recent practice as a registered nurse by admission start date
4. Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended
5. Verification of a current, unencumbered RN license and expiration date in the state in which the student is licensed and practices and will be completing practicum hours

Clinical Hours and Experience

Applicants will complete a Supplemental Employment Verification form as part of the application process. This is used to verify *recent clinical hours and experience.

*Recent clinical experience is defined as clinical RN work experience within 3 years of first practicum course.

- Current BLS certification, immunizations, drug screen and criminal background checks are maintained while in the program annually.

The YSU online nursing programs must meet the standards of the state(s) in which authority is approved to provide education and may only admit students from those states. Online nursing students must complete the program in the state of Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, or Michigan.

The areas of coursework in the M.S.N. program include core courses, and one of the following options:

- Nurse Education option (18 semester hours)

The breakdown of these course requirements is

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
NURS 7022	Nurse Educator Practicum 1 (course title: Nurse Educator Practicum 1)	1

as follows:

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
NURS 6900	Healthcare Issues and Trends	3
NURS 6901	Theoretical Foundations in Science and Research	3
NURS 6902	Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NURS 6903	Advanced Pharmacology	3
NURS 6904	Advanced Health Assessment	3
NURS 7018	Nursing Curriculum Design	3

NURS 7019	Nursing Instructional Methods	3
NURS 7020	Evaluation in Nursing Education	3
NURS 7021	Nurse Educator Role	3
NURS 7005	Capstone Practicum	3
NURS 7022	Nurse Educator Practicum 1	1
NURS 7023	Nurse Educator Practicum 2	2

Total Semester Hours 33

Centofanti School of Nursing MSN/Post-Master's Grade Requirements

Satisfactory academic progress at the graduate level is maintained by satisfying the following criteria:

- A degree-seeking graduate student must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale). *Any required course grade of D or F must be repeated and passed with a grade of C or better.
- A degree-seeking graduate student must successfully meet the requirements, including the time requirement, of all comprehensive examinations of the degree program.
- A degree-seeking graduate student must complete with a passing grade any thesis requirements (or the equivalent) of the degree program.
- A non-degree graduate student must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- *Grades of D and F carry no graduate credit but will be used to determine the student's grade point average. A student has the privilege of repeating a course once, but the repetition is treated merely as another course, along with the first, in calculating the student's grade point average.
- *Any required course grade of D or F must be repeated and passed with a grade of C or better. Students may not advance in the program until they have taken the failed course, passed with a grade of C or better and maintain a GPA of 3.0.

For degree programs requiring up to 39 semester hours for completion, a student may count no more than six semester hours of coursework with a grade of C toward the minimum graduation hour requirements. For students in programs requiring 40 semester hours or more for completion, no more than nine semester hours of coursework with a grade of C may count toward the minimum graduation hour requirement.

Grade Policy – Graduate Nursing Option-specific courses

In the six (6) **Nursing Education courses** (NURS 7018, NURS 7019, NURS 7020, NURS 7021, NURS 7022, NURS 7023), the student MUST earn a grade of B or A. If a student earns a C or lower grade in any of these courses, the course MUST be repeated. The student can only repeat the course once. If a grade of B or A is not earned on the second attempt, the student will not be permitted to progress in the Graduate Nursing program.

MSN Student Learning Outcomes

All graduates of the program are prepared to:

- Synthesize theory and research from nursing and related disciplines for advanced nursing roles.
- Utilize leadership strategies to influence health and health care and to promote the nursing profession in the advanced nursing role.
- Expand the knowledge of evidence-based practice by identifying nursing research problems and contributing to research investigations.
- Integrate assessment of own learning in developing a lifelong pattern of scholarly inquiry.

Upon successful completion of the MSN program, graduates are eligible to sit for national certification examinations. Once certified, graduates must apply

for a Certificate of Authority to practice as an Advanced Practice Nurse in the State of Ohio or in the state in which they intend to practice.

Graduates of the Nurse Education option are prepared to:

- practice in advanced nurse educator roles within Academic, Health Care Delivery and Community settings.
- incorporate a variety of theories from nursing and related fields into nursing practice and education roles.
- analyze social issues related to Health Care Delivery Systems and nursing education.