



# Nursing

LPN to BS, Major: Nursing

RN to BS, Major: Nursing

Diploma or ADN to MSN: Nurse Administrator

MSN: Nurse Administrator

MSN: Family Nurse Practitioner

MSN: Nurse Educator

Today's nurses must combine expertise in their field with an ability to lead those with whom they serve. Whether nurses choose to practice in direct care, administration, or education, they will function in complex and constantly changing environments. The goal of the University of Mary Nursing program is to help students develop skills, knowledge, and abilities needed to excel in a wide variety of settings. Because of this goal, programs focus on the application of knowledge. Our graduates understand not only what is needed, but also how that service is best provided. Our graduates are servant leaders.

The blend of theory and practice provides a solid opportunity to serve as a servant leader and prepares you to assume leadership positions in direct patient care, administration, or education.



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*America's Leadership University*

## A Program Designed to Meet Your Unique Needs

The University of Mary has been a leader in adult education since its founding. We recognize the major obligation of family, work and community as you pursue advanced study. In addition, location and travel may further complicate the equation. The University of Mary has addressed this need by developing an e-learning community to meet your unique needs where you can attend class everywhere and anywhere. These programs are offered entirely online with the exception of the LPN and FNP programs which have minimal on-campus visits.

Through a “cohort” format, students will earn a Bachelor of Science with a major in Nursing or a Master of Science in Nursing degree with a group of adult student peers. They will stay with these peers until graduating. This results in strong support, work teams, and long-lasting friendships, even across the miles.

Courses are delivered by high quality faculty who hold master’s or doctorate degrees. Most are leaders in their specialty area throughout the region. User-friendly state-of-the-art technology allows students to learn from home, office, or anywhere the Internet is accessible.

## Application - Undergraduate

Individuals holding a certificate or associate degree in nursing from an accredited institution of higher education and who have a GPA of 2.75 or higher and have a minimum of 2.0 or higher in the nursing required courses will be admitted to begin undergraduate study. Required prerequisite courses include:

- Microbiology
- Anatomy
- Physiology
- An introductory course in organic/biochemistry
- Sociology/Anthropology

- General psychology
- Lifespan psychology
- Ethics
- Elementary statistics
- Pharmacology
- Nutrition

Undergraduate applications must include:

- Application for admission
- Application/enrollment fee
- Official transcripts
- Two professional references
- Evidence of current, unencumbered LPN or RN licensure
- Copy of current healthcare provider CPR card
- Immunization and health history form
- Federal and state background check
- Nursing disclosure
- Completion pre-requisites  
(see above listing)

## The Curriculum - Undergraduate

### LPN to BS, Major: Nursing

\* indicates comparable course may substitute

MAT 180	Elementary Statistics*
CHE 107	Intro to Gen/Org/Bio Chemistry*
NUR 228	Health and Healing Concepts
NUR 248	Health Assessment*
NUR 306	Dimensions Professional Practice
NUR 319	Pathophysiology
NUR 215	Nutrition & Diet Therapy*
NUR 317	Pharmacology*
NUR 320	Healing Modalities Bridge (Certificate LPN only)
NUR 331	Maternal/Child Bridge
NUR 336	Ethics, Law and Policy
NUR 334	Research
NUR 338	Health Promotion and Support
NUR 420	Leadership & Care Management
NUR 432	Management of Critical Health Problems
NUR 434	Professional Role Development
NUR 421	NCLEX Review

Course descriptions may be found at [www.umary.edu/lpnbs](http://www.umary.edu/lpnbs)

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NUR 248	Health Assessment (if not clearly documented in previous degree curriculum)
NUR 306	Dimensions for Professional Nursing Practice
NUR 319	Pathophysiology
NUR 334	Research
NUR 434	Professional Role Development
NUR 336	Ethics, Law and Policy
NUR 338	Health Promotion & Support
NUR 420	Leadership & Care Management
NUR 432	Management of Critical Health Problems
MGT 380	Organizational Leadership Seminar

Arrangement of nursing practice hours in area of preference is contingent upon the ability to secure an Articulation Agreement with an approved institution and approval of that state’s board of nursing.

Course descriptions may be found at [www.umary.edu/rnbs](http://www.umary.edu/rnbs)

## Application - Graduate

Individuals holding a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from an accredited institution of higher education and who have an undergraduate GPA of 2.75 or higher in the nursing program will be eligible to begin graduate study. A nurse administrator completion degree is available to those with a diploma or ADN from an accredited institution.

Graduate applications must include:

- Application for admission
- Application/enrollment fee
- Official transcripts
- Evidence of current, unencumbered RN licensure
- Statement of Professional Goals
- Resume
- Two letters of reference
- Immunization records
- Copy of current healthcare provider CPR card
- **Upon acceptance:** background check

## The Curriculum – Graduate

For detailed information on each degree and course descriptions, visit [www.umary.edu/gradnursing](http://www.umary.edu/gradnursing).

\* indicates core courses

### Diploma or ADN to MSN: Nurse Administrator

Satisfactory completion of courses in chemistry, microbiology, psychology and English are prerequisites for admission.

- NUR 502 Community as Partner
- NUR 535 Professional Nurse as Servant Leader
- MGT 503 Management Theory & Application
- MGT 645 Organizational Communication & Transition Management
- NUR 501 Theoretical Perspectives for Advanced Nursing Practice\*
- NUR 648 Health Care Law & Policy\*
- MGT 505 Human Resource Management
- MGT 575 Decision-Making & Information Management
- MGT 554 Management Survey of Accounting and Finance
- PHI 582 Biomedical Ethics\*
- MGT 535 Economic Principles
- NUR 551 Critique & Design of Research\*
- MGT 610 Marketing
- NUR 695 Seminar & Service Project

### MSN: Nurse Administrator

- MGT 503 Management Theory & Application
- MGT 645 Organizational Communication & Transition Management
- NUR 501 Theoretical Perspectives for Advanced Nursing Practice\*
- NUR 648 Health Care Law & Policy\*
- MGT 505 Human Resource Management
- MGT 575 Decision-Making & Information Management
- MGT 554 Management Survey of Accounting and Finance
- PHI 582 Biomedical Ethics\*
- MGT 535 Economic Principles
- NUR 551 Critique & Design of Research\*
- MGT 610 Marketing
- NUR 695 Seminar & Service Project

### MSN: Nurse Educator

- NUR 566 Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Educators
- NUR 521 Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurse Educators
- NUR 501 Theoretical Perspectives for Advanced Nursing Practice\*
- NUR 648 Healthcare Law and Policy\*
- NUR 581 Curriculum Development in Higher Education
- NUR 616 Measurement & Evaluation
- NUR 605 Teaching Strategies
- PHI 582 Biomedical Ethics\*
- NUR 575 Decision-Making and Information Management
- NUR 551 Critique & Design of Research\*
- NUR 565 Statistics
- NUR 700 Thesis
- NUR 650 Seminar in Nursing Education
- NUR 701 Thesis Continuation

### MSN: Family Nurse Practitioner

FNP is offered in a blended on-site and online format.

*A graduate statistics course must be completed prior to the beginning of the program.*

- NUR 501 Theoretical Perspectives for Advanced Nursing Practice\*
- NUR 519 Advanced Pathophysiology
- NUR 551 Critique & Design of Research\*

- NUR 562 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice
- NUR 567 Advanced Health Assessment
- NUR 568 Common Health Problems of Maturing Adults
- NUR 569 Family Theory
- NUR 570 Primary Care of Women and Children
- NUR 610 Role Development for Advanced Practice Nurses
- NUR 636 Acute and Emergent Health Problems
- NUR 648 Healthcare Law & Policy\*
- NUR 656 Seminar and Practicum
- NUR 702 Comprehensive Examination
- PHI 582 Biomedical Ethics\*
- NUR 703 Scholarly Project

For further details, please contact [FNP@umary.edu](mailto:FNP@umary.edu)

## Accreditation

The University of Mary has enjoyed continuous accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools since 1969. The baccalaureate and master's programs are approved by the North Dakota Board of Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.



## Dedicated to Your Success!

The University of Mary was established in 1959. It is a Christian, Catholic, and Benedictine university with the main campus located south of Bismarck, ND. The University was founded by the Benedictine Sisters of the Annunciation.

The University maintains an atmosphere that nourishes Christian values and provides for individual needs and growth.

## Services for Adult Learners

Your success as a learner is important to University of Mary faculty and staff. An array of services is available to you as an adult learner in the learning community at the University of Mary.

### Life-Long Learning Advisement and Course Support

An advisor is assigned to you the minute you enroll at the University as an adult learner. Questions and guidance regarding programs of study, planning, policies and procedures, course registration, and completion of degree requirements are examples of areas addressed by you with your academic advisor. If you take classes on-site, your academic advisor is available to meet with you in person. Whether you are on-site or online, your advisor is available by telephone, e-mail and fax throughout your program of study. Faculty for each course you take are likewise available to you for monitoring your progress, offering content assistance, and addressing questions. Your advisor and faculty will partner with you to promote consistent communication and academic support.

### Career Services

The University of Mary's Career Services provides a wealth of information regarding job opportunities, as well as resources to put you on the path to success. For information on workshops, resumes, cover letters, interviewing, and job search, contact Career Services at [umcareer@umary.edu](mailto:umcareer@umary.edu) or by calling 1.800.288.6279, extension 8050.

### Welder Library

The University's Welder Library has approximately 70,000 volumes of text and over 5,000 multi-media teaching and learning materials. The Welder Library subscribes to nearly 600 journals and newspapers. Full-text online indices are provided in both general and special subject areas. Materials in the library are cataloged and fully accessible through the use of INFO\*LYNX, an automated joint catalog listing the materials of Welder Library with other libraries in the region. Adult learners also have access to the collections at the University System Libraries and an international library network that provides automated support for cataloging, database searching, and interlibrary loan through access to nearly 48 million items. More information regarding the library and its available resources can be found at the Welder Library page, <http://it.umary.edu/library/> or by calling 1.800.288.6279, extension 8070.

### Textbook Service

You may purchase required textbooks from the University of Mary online by visiting [www.bookstore.umary.edu](http://www.bookstore.umary.edu) and responding to the prompts. Textbooks generally arrive in five to seven business days. You may also purchase your textbooks at any local bookstore or online vendor.

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### Accelerated and Distance Education

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[sadefargo@umary.edu](mailto:sadefargo@umary.edu)

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