



NURSING (M.S.N.)

School of Nursing and Health Professions

GRADUATE ADMISSION (210) 829-6005

The MSN Program

The Master of Science in Nursing Program is designed to prepare Clinical Nurse Leaders and Adult Clinical Nurse Specialists to do health planning for aggregates and for positions in nursing education. Students have the opportunity to practice in both acute and community based settings.

The nursing program at UIW is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). It also holds membership in the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, and the Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing of the Southern Regional Education Board.

Unique features of the program include a focus on cross-cultural perspectives of health and illness, recruitment of nurses from diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds, and preparation of specialists with population-focused skills which enable them to develop and execute nursing programs for groups of clients with common health care problems (aggregates). In addition, those who select the Clinical Nurse Leader role will leave the program prepared to teach in schools of nursing or health care institutions. Many courses are web-enhanced.

Master of Science in Nursing

Specific Admission Requirements:

1. Completion of a baccalaureate degree in nursing from a CCNE or NLN accredited program which includes courses in statistics and health assessment.
2. An undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above, with a 3.0 GPA in upper-division nursing courses.
3. Three professional references.
4. A license to practice nursing in the State of Texas or licensure in a state recognized under the multi-state compact is required for clinical on non-federal property.

Requirements for the Master of Science in Nursing Clinical Nurse Leader

Core Courses (26-credit hours):

- NURS 6311, NURS 6342 - Research I, II
- NURS 6361 - Nursing Leadership & Health Policy
- NURS 6321 - Nursing Theory for Advanced Practice
- NURS 6315 - Resource Management for Nurse Leaders
- NURS 6358 - Curriculum Development in Nursing
- NURS 6368 - Teaching in Schools of Nursing or Health Institutions
- NURS 63CS - Capstone
- NURS 6290 - Informatics in Health Care

Clinical Courses (13-credit hours):

- NURS 6331 - Aggregate Health I
- NURS 6452 - Aggregate Health II
- NURS 6371 - Aggregate Health III
- NURS 6394 - Clinical Nurse Leader Immersion

Requirements for the Master of Science Adult Clinical Nurse Specialist

Core Courses (20-credit hours):

- NURS 6331 - Aggregate Health I
- NURS 6311, 6342 - Research I and II
- NURS 6361 - Nursing Leadership & Health Policy
- NURS 6321 - Nursing Theory for Advanced Practice
- NURS 6315 - Resource Management for Nurse Leaders
- NURS 6290 - Informatics in Health Care

Specialty Core (9-credit hours)

- NURS 6323 - Advanced Assessment for Adults with Lab
- NURS 6325 - Pathophysiology
- NURS 6341 - Pharmacotherapeutics for Advanced Practice Nursing

Clinical Courses (12-credit hours):

- NURS 6537 - Adult CNS I
- NURS 6547 - Adult CNS II
- NURS 6557 - Adult CNS III (Preceptorship)

Clinical Agencies

The School of Nursing and Health Professions arrange all clinical experiences for both the CNL and CNS student. These sites may be located in Bexar County as well as counties surrounding Bexar County, especially for the CNS Program. These include acute care facilities, long-term or chronic disease institutions, outpatient clinics, public health clinics, occupational health settings, V.A. facilities, etc. Students choose a setting appropriate to their course of clinical study with the guidance of the course instructor.

Admission Requirements

Admission to Incarnate Word is based upon the applicant's academic records, evidence of academic promise and personal characteristics that suggest the applicant will be a responsible and contributing member of the educational community. For an application to the University, you may contact the Office of Admissions at (210) 829-6005, 1-800-749-WORD or (210) 829-3988 (MSN Program Chair). You may also go to our website at www.uiw.edu. Admissions counselors are on hand to assist you with application forms, campus visits and information about financial assistance.

Financial Assistance

Most Incarnate Word students take advantage of financial assistance programs. You may be eligible for Incarnate Word scholarships, federal, state or private education grants, or loan programs. You must apply early. Contact the Office of Financial Assistance at (210) 829-6008 for further information.

Incarnate Word

Incarnate Word has a tradition over 125 years old of academic excellence, with a liberal arts curriculum. Occupying 56 wooded acres at Broadway and Hildebrand, Incarnate Word is located in one of the best and most beautiful locations San Antonio and Texas has to offer. Along with the 40 undergraduate programs, 15 graduate programs, and one doctoral program with three majors, Incarnate Word boasts a wide variety of extra-curricular and athletic activities for students to enjoy, which includes a Wellness Center, Natatorium, tennis facilities, etc. The School of Nursing celebrated its 75th year in 2006.

The Tradition

Responding to the need for higher education in South Texas, the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word founded the institution in 1881. Realizing the power of education to develop the whole person, the Sisters identified their goals in a statement of mission. Love of God and service to God's people are inherent in the identification of the institution as a Catholic, co-educational institution of liberal arts and professional studies.

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