Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nurse Administration

Approx. program length: 21 months
Credits: 36
Cost per credit: $540
Format: Online

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Advanced nursing theory and research provide the foundation for nurse leaders to influence the future of nursing and healthcare. The Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nurse Administration will prepare you to pursue a future as a hospital, health system or healthcare leader. Develop your knowledge with key courses covering topics like nursing theory, coaching and mentoring nursing staff, and the healthcare leader’s role during organizational change.

You’ll learn how to:

• Apply organizational and systems leadership concepts to the management of human, fiscal, and physical healthcare resources for diverse populations in a variety of settings.

• Evaluate processes, systems, and utilization of current technologies to support continuous quality improvement and promote safety in order to elevate patient outcomes in various settings across the care continuum.

• Synthesize scholarship from a variety of sources to promote implementation of evidence-based practice.

• Evaluate healthcare policy, regulatory, legal, economic, ethical and sociocultural environments to advocate for patients and effect change in the healthcare system based on their role.

• Critique evidence-based delivery within an interdisciplinary team to serve diverse populations in a variety of local, national, and global settings.

• Formulate a strategic plan and distinguish the key components required for success.

• Analyze a budget and assure needed resources are planned for.

• Predict the needed resources (human and financial) to meet desired outcomes.

• Implement change to meet desired quality measures.

• Modify policies to meet external regulatory and accreditation standards.
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Projected job growth:

32%
According to Bureau of Labor Statistics

What can you do with a Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nurse Administration?

An MSN/ADM can help prepare you to be a:

- Clinical director
- Nursing director
- Nurse manager

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, job growth for medical and health services managers is projected to be much faster than the average between 2020 and 2030.

BLS projections are not specific to University of Phoenix students or graduates.

Programmatic accreditation

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing and master's degree program in nursing at University of Phoenix are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)* and this program is aligned with leading industry organizations, such as:

American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN®)

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN)
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Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 36 credits to complete this Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nurse Administration. Your course schedule may vary based on transferable credits or credits earned through the University’s Prior Learning Assessment.

12 Core Courses

Here’s where you’ll pick up the majority of your program-specific knowledge. By the time you finish these courses, you should have the confidence and skills needed in this field.

- NSG/511: Contemporary Nursing Practice
- NSG/512: Nursing Research
- NSG/513: Inter-Professional Leadership and Management
- NSG/514: Health Law, Policy, Ethics, and Global Trends
- NSG/557: Organizational Dynamics and Systems Thinking
- NSG/577: Continuous Quality Monitoring and Outcomes Improvement
- NSG/547: Human Resources Management
- NSG/567: Financial Resources Management in Health Care
- NSG/516AD: Practicum I
- NSG/517AD: Practicum II
- MHA/543: Tackling the Talent War in the Health Sector
- MHA/507: Leveraging Informatics in the Health Sector

Schedule

Your academic counselor will help you schedule your courses for an online Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nurse Administration.

What you’ll learn

When you earn your online Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nurse Administration, you’ll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

Download learning outcomes

Topics covered in this degree include:
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- Applying organizational and systems leadership concepts to the management of human, fiscal and physical healthcare resources
- Evaluating processes and systems and utilizing current technology to support continuous quality improvement and improve patient outcomes
- Assessing policy, regulatory, legal, economic and sociocultural environments to advocate for patients and effect change in the healthcare system
- Designing and delivering evidence-based care to serve diverse populations within an interdisciplinary team
- Implementing change to meet desired quality measures
- Evaluating policies to meet external regulatory and accreditation standards
- Formulating a strategic plan and distinguishing the key components required for success
- Analyzing a budget and ensuring needed resources are planned for
- Predicting the needed resources (human and financial) to meet desired outcomes
- Implementing change to meet desired quality measures

Program Purpose Statement

This is a post-licensure nursing program designed for nurses with current RN licensure who desire to obtain a Master of Science degree in Nursing with a focus on Nursing Administration (MSN/ADM). The program prepares the graduate to function in leadership and administrative roles within the profession of nursing. Students may be eligible to sit for the Nurse Executive Certification Exam and should contact the American Nurses Credentialing Center for eligibility requirements.