



## Application and Information Packet

# Master of Science in Nursing Education

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### PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Masters of Science in Nursing Education degree program is a full-time graduate program that has a total of 13 courses. Students will complete these courses sequentially, one on-line course delivered every eight weeks. Students will have short breaks between courses and will complete the program in 24 months.

All students must complete and pass with a 'B' or 3.0 grade point average (GPA).

Courses	Credits
Role of the Nurse Educator Across Diverse Settings	3
Theoretical Foundations of Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Survey of Nursing Research & Statistics	3
Evidence Based Practice and Translational Research	3
Social Justice, Law, & Policy in Healthcare	3
Informatics & Healthcare Technologies	3
Advanced Concepts in Assessment, Pathophysiology, & Pharmacology	3
Advanced Clinical Practicum	1
Organizational Leadership	3
Curriculum Development & Analysis	3
Innovative Teaching & Learning Strategies	3
Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education	3
Practicum in Nursing Education	2

This program uses a cohort model, allowing students to move through each course with the same group of students. The student to instructor ratio is 20:1.

### FACE-TO-FACE ORIENTATION

All students will be required to attend a face-to-face program orientation at the beginning of the program. The literature supports successful on-line programs with high graduation rates require an initial face-to-face orientation. This one-and-a-half-day session helps to build a student community, introduction to the university and program coursework.

**Important Note:** Washington State students who are accepted into this online program must complete their practicum courses (application of content) in Oregon or Montana until the program becomes nationally accredited in spring 2020. This is required by the Washington State Nursing Commission.

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### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree (BSN) from an ACEN or CCNE accredited program.
- Cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater for BSN degree
  - A cumulative GPA is calculated by averaging all GPAs that lead to the completion of the BSN degree.
  - Any applicant who does not meet the minimum cumulative GPA of a 3.0 or higher, or does not have a GPA on their transcript, must complete the graduate record examination (GRE). GRE scores expire in five years.
  - Acceptable GRE scores include (best 2 of 3 sections):
    - Verbal: 150
    - Quantitative: 149
    - Analytical Writing: 3.5
- Official College transcripts must verify your completed degree program
  - Applicants must submit official transcripts from all institutions they attended that lead to the completion of their BSN degree.
  - All foreign transcripts must be submitted with an official transcript evaluation; this evaluation is paid by the student.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- **On-line Program Application via NursingCAS**
- **Program Application Fee (\$50)**
- **Official Transcripts**
- **Personal Essay**
- **Current Curriculum Vitae or Resume**
- **Valid RN License**

### PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Visit the NursingCAS website at [www.nursingcas.org](http://www.nursingcas.org).
2. Review the links under Application Instructions.
3. Click on Apply Now on the NursingCAS website main page to create an account.
4. Click on Add Program and select The University of Providence MSN Education program for the term you are applying for (August or January).
  - a. Degree Type: Master's (MSN/MS/MN)
  - b. Program Delivery: On Line
  - c. State: Montana
5. Complete the Personal Information section of the application.
6. Complete the Academic History section of the application by entering all of the colleges you have attended.

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7. Submit *official* transcripts from all colleges and/or universities you have attended. To complete this step, you must download the Transcript Request Form.
  - a. **NursingCAS accepts electronic transcripts from Parchment and Credential Solutions. Submitting electronic transcripts is the quickest, easiest way to submit your transcripts.** You can find instructions for submitting transcripts to NursingCAS [HERE](#).
  - b. **Applicants do not have to submit transcripts for courses completed at the University of Providence (UP) to NursingCAS.**
8. Enter RN Licensure information in the Supporting Information section of the application.
9. Under Program Materials:
  - a. Select MSN Education University of Providence
  - b. Click on the Documents tab and upload your personal statement, CV/resume and RN license.
  - c. Click on the Questions tab and answer the program specific questions.
10. Submit your application and pay the \$50 application fee once all four sections of your application are green.

### OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

Applicants must submit official transcripts from the institution(s) where they completed their BSN degree. UP requires transcripts from all institutions attended leading up to their degree. If a student completed their degree in a foreign country, they must also provide an official transcript evaluation. If there is not a GPA associated with the BSN degree, the applicant must complete the GRE. **All official transcripts must be submitted directly to NursingCAS.**

### PERSONAL ESSAY

Applicants are required to answer an essay question and upload it in the Documents section of their application.

Essay question: In one typed written page: please explain how this degree program will benefit you personally and professionally in your current and/or future career and why you are choosing to attend UP for this degree.

### CURRICULUM VITAE / RESUME

Applicants are required to submit their current CV or Resume by uploading it in the Documents section of the application.

### VALID RN LICENSE

Applicants are required to upload a copy of their valid, unencumbered RN license under the Document section of the application.

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### **FINANCIAL AID**

Applicants can apply for financial aid on the UP website at <https://uprovidence.edu/become-astudent/financial-aid/>. Applicants will need to apply for both academic years in which they will be attending their program. For questions, contact the Financial Aid office at 406-791-5202.

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