



# MASTER OF SCIENCE NURSING

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## CURRICULUM

**TRACK I:** Nurse with a baccalaureate degree in nursing

- NR510 Nursing Science in Practice
- NR520 Health Policy and Population Health Issues
- NR530 Inferential Statistics
- NR540 Evidence-Based Practice
- NR690 Nursing Capstone Seminar and Project
- 6 Concentration Courses (Leadership or Education)

**TRACK II:** Nurse with a non-nursing baccalaureate degree

- NR501 R.N. M.S.N. Bridge Course
- NR510 Nursing Science in Practice
- NR520 Health Policy and Population Health Issues
- NR530 Inferential Statistics
- NR540 Evidence-Based Practice
- NR690 Nursing Capstone Seminar and Project
- 6 Concentration Courses (Leadership or Education)

**TRACK III:** Nurse without a baccalaureate degree

All baccalaureate course requirements must be completed before registering for graduate courses. If you completed an associate's degree at another institution and transfer to Franklin Pierce, you will not need to meet the requirements of the General and Liberal Education program.

## COURSES

### BACCALAUREATE NURSING COURSES

- NR200 Introduction to Holistic Health
- NR300 Transition to Baccalaureate Nursing Practice
- NR320 Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing: Understanding Nursing Research
- NR330 Clinical Decision Making
- NR400 Health Policy and the Role of the Professional Nurse
- NR420 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan
- NR445 Community Health Nursing: Individual & Family Clients
- NR446 Community Health Nursing: Groups & Populations
- NR490 Leadership in Professional Nursing Practice, Seminar, and Project
- Cultural Awareness Course (3 credits)

### MSN COURSES

- NR510 Nursing Science in Practice\*
- NR520 Health Policy and Population Health Issues\*
- NR530 Inferential Statistics
- NR540 Evidence-Based Practice
- NR690 Nursing Capstone Seminar and Project
- 6 Concentration Courses (Leadership or Education)

\*Six credits of Nursing Elective courses (NR510 and NR520) can be applied to the baccalaureate degree.

## CONCENTRATIONS

### NURSING EDUCATION CONCENTRATION

- NR545 Clinical & Classroom Teaching Strategies in Nursing
- NR547 Evidence-Based Curriculum Design in Nursing
- NR549 Evaluating Learning and Assessing Competencies in Nursing
- NR575 Advanced Pharmacology
- NR580 Advanced Pathophysiology
- NR585 Advanced Health Assessment

### NURSING LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION

- GM510 Seminar in Leadership
- GM538 Organizational Development
- GM594 Healthcare Payment Systems
- GM596 Quality Improvement Models in Healthcare
- NR565 Strategic Planning and Project Management for Nurses I
- NR570 Strategic Planning and Project Management for Nurses II

## NURSING FOUNDATION REQUIREMENTS

- BI260 Anatomy & Physiology I
- BI261 Anatomy & Physiology II
- BI325 Microbiology
- MT260 Statistics
- PS101 Introduction to Psychology
- PS234 Human Growth and Development
- Chemistry or other science

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed graduate admission application
- Professional résumé
- A statement of professional goals including reasons for pursuing graduate study
- All official transcripts from colleges or universities previously attended
- Unencumbered current license to practice as a registered nurse issued by New Hampshire or another jurisdiction

## PREREQUISITES

- Completed associate degree, baccalaureate degree, or diploma from an accredited program in nursing
- A current, unencumbered license to practice as a registered nurse
- Minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.8 or higher on a 4.0 scale (Track I and II applicants only)
- Successful completion of an undergraduate statistics course with a "C" or higher (Track I and II applicants only)

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Choose the Nursing Education or the Nursing Leadership concentration and complete the following courses.

Franklin Pierce offers personal support through our enrollment team and an academic advisor to assist with onboarding, paving the way for student success. Our teams are ready to help you reach your career and educational goals.