

DEGREE: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
OPTION: MSN-DIRECT ENTRY
CODE: MSN-DEP

QUICK FACTS

DURATION

Six-semester program option | Summer Start

COURSE DELIVERY

Classroom, clinical, and online learning experiences.

LICENSURE

Graduates apply for licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN)

PRACTICE SETTING

Hospitals, clinics, community-based care, and behavioral health

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As an MSN student, you will learn diverse skills that will allow you to pursue a multitude of roles in different job sectors such as:

- Direct client care in general Medical Surgical Nursing
- Specialty settings such as Labor and Delivery, Behavioral Health, and Pediatrics
- Emergency Department
- Intensive Care
- School Nursing
- Home Health
- Hospice

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- A baccalaureate or higher degree in a non-nursing discipline
- Minimum College GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Completion of all required prerequisite general education courses with a “C” (2.0) or above
- Personal essay addressing the candidate’s professional attributes, career goals, and ability to manage a rigorous graduate program.

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES

Natural Sciences and Mathematics

- Anatomy and Physiology I
- Anatomy and Physiology II
- Microbiology w/lab
- Nutrition
- Statistics

Social Sciences and Humanities

- Human Growth & Development
- Research (*NUR 411 Nursing Research* may be taken in the first semester of the program)

CURRICULUM PLAN

Course #	Course Name	Delivery Mode	Credit Hours	Asynchronous (unscheduled) Contact Hours	Synchronous (scheduled) Contact Hours	F2F Lab/Clinical Contact Hours
SUMMER SEMESTER: 14 weeks						
NUR 511	The Art & Science of Nursing Practice for the MSN	F2F	7		80	96
NUR 524	Pharmacology for the MSN	ONL	1	16		
NUR 533	Assessment Across the Lifespan for the MSN	HYB	3	38		32
			11			
FALL SEMESTER: 16 weeks						
NUR 512	Adult Health Nursing for the MSN	F2F	9		88	168
NUR 603	Pathophysiological Basis for Nursing Practice	ONL	3	48		
NUR 604	Pharmacology Across the Lifespan	ONL	3	48		
			15			
SPRING SEMESTER: 16 weeks						
NUR 503	Nursing Theories & Evidence-Based Practice	ONL	3	48		
NUR 521	Lifespan Nursing I for the MSN	F2F	9		96	144
NUR 523	Maternal Newborn Nursing for the MSN	F2F	4		40	72
			16			
SUMMER SEMESTER: 14 weeks						
NUR 505	Technology in Health Care	ONL	3	48		
NUR 531	Nursing Leadership, Management & Organizations	ONL	3	48		
NUR 541	Nursing in the Community for the MSN	HYB	4	48		48
NUR 544	Clinical in the Community	CLIN	1			48
			11			
FALL SEMESTER: 16 weeks						
NUR 504	Population Health & Disparities	ONL	3	48		
NUR 522	Lifespan Nursing II for the MSN	F2F	8		64	192
NUR 620	Master's Thesis/Project	ONL	1	16		
			12			
SPRING SEMESTER: 16 weeks						
NUR 502	Health Care Policy, Trends & Issues	ONL	3	48		
NUR 520	Graduate Seminar	HYB	4	14	2	144
NUR 620	Master's Thesis/Project	ONL	2	32		
			9			
		Program Total:				
		74				

Contact hours are learning experiences planned by faculty; additional study time beyond the contact hours is expected.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

Trinity College maintains cooperative agreements with Black Hawk College, Eastern Iowa Community Colleges, and Portage Learning, which provide general education courses required for the MSN degree. Academic credit from other regionally or nationally accredited institutions will be considered upon review. During the pre-application process, admission representatives offer unofficial evaluations of prerequisite coursework for prospective applicants. Upon submission of the application, the Registrar will evaluate the student transcript to approve prerequisite courses formally.

NEXT STEPS

- **Online Application:**
<https://www.trinitycollegeqc.edu/future-students/Application>
(309) 779-7700
- **Application Fee: (\$50.00)**
Pay online with application submission or
by telephone: (309) 779-7700
- **Official Post-Secondary Transcripts:**
Required from all institutions attended
admissions@trinitycollegeqc.edu
- **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL):**
Required if the applicant is not fluent in English
<https://www.ets.org/toefl.html>
- **Personal Essay**

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ACCREDITATION

- The master's degree program in nursing at Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education <http://www.ccneaccreditation.org>
- Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission
www.hlcommission.org