

MSN in Nursing Education

Admission Requirements

1. Valid, unencumbered RN license from the state in which they currently practice ~~in state or country where clinical or practicum coursework is completed~~
2. Completed application for graduate school at UTEP
3. A Bachelors of Science in Nursing, Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in the United States or equivalent education at a foreign institution ~~-OR-~~
- ~~4. Alternative admission: Associate's degree in nursing from an accredited nursing program. These applicants must first complete undergraduate application, and the following undergraduate courses: a) State of Texas core courses, b) pre-professional nursing courses, and c) the five RN-BSN courses with a grade of "B" or better. Once undergraduate courses are completed, students apply to graduate school and request acceptance into a nursing graduate major (Bachelor of Science in nursing degree not awarded).~~
4. Satisfactory score on TOEFL as defined by the graduate school for international applicants whose first language is not English or who have not completed a university degree in the U.S.
- ~~5. Demonstration of academic achievement and potential as indicated by~~
 - ~~a. Undergraduate or graduate coursework~~
 - ~~b. Statement of Purpose~~
 - ~~c. Name and 800# if known~~
 - ~~i. A personal goal statement demonstrating fit with specific major and concentration for which you are applying~~
 - ~~ii. Skills, talents, unique abilities, or community service essential to preferred advanced nursing role and concentration, including experience with diverse populations~~
 - ~~iii. Following format~~
 - ~~1. Word document with 500 words or less, 1 inch margins, 1.5 or double spaced, and 11 point Arial font.~~
 - ~~2. Strong flow and organization~~
 - ~~3. Proper sentence structure, syntax, punctuation, capitalization, etc.~~
 - ~~v. Current resume identifying appropriate objective related to graduate education~~

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6. Admission Levels

a. Full Admission: Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or greater

b. Conditional Admission: Undergraduate GPA of 2.0-2.9. Must achieve B or better on first 3 core courses.

Online Learning Requirements

Because the MSN degree is online, ~~most textbook and many~~ learning resources are online. To be successful, students ~~must purchase or have access to~~ ~~ible technology~~ and online access that will successfully support the academic experience.

- ~~Computer with reliable internet access, Microsoft Office 2007 and other software essential for online learning (see Instructional Support Services for computer configuration assessment and readiness)~~
- ~~Web camera and headset with microphone~~
- ~~Point of service technology such as iTouch, smart phone, or an iPad/ tablet~~

Compliance Requirements

Compliance ~~must~~ remain current throughout the semester in which the student enrolls or the student risks being dropped from courses. Once admitted, students provide compliance documentation directly to the Compliance Officer. See compliance website for

Orientation Travel Requirements

Graduate orientation, usually held in just prior to the start of the fall or the spring semester, is **mandatory** for all students. ~~Nursing Education or Nursing Systems Management~~ students may be required to travel to campus one or two additional times during the program. ~~Nurse practitioner~~ students are required to travel UTEP's campus a maximum of three times per semester during clinical coursework. This time is used for self and faculty evaluation of clinical competencies. Due to the limited number of appropriate clinical placements, nurse practitioner students may be required to travel 200 miles or more to fulfill clinical requirements. Students in the ~~Acute Care Nurse Practitioner~~ (ACNP) concentration are required to travel to Houston or another location for two weeks to precept at approved ACNP clinical sites.

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