Nursing Education

Degree Offered: Master of Science

Daemen College’s Nursing Education program is an option for nurses who wish to pursue graduate level education preparing them for roles in staff development or nursing education.

Skills in facilitating learning through advanced knowledge of curriculum design, teaching, evaluation, advisement, and other activities are addressed in classes. A post-master’s certificate in Nursing Education is also available.

Why Nursing Education @ Daemen?

• Students in the Nursing Education program at Daemen have firsthand experience with participation and completion of a research project and thesis. They will work with a faculty chairperson and committee to develop and complete an original research project of their own design.

• The faculty is experienced in teaching and gives individualized attention to each student. They are highly accessible for discussions and advisement for students in the program.

• Courses are geared towards preparing students for teaching careers including strategies and methods for delivering content, how to assess and evaluate student learning and program outcomes and how to develop curriculum.

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Assistant Professor of Nursing

“The MS in Nursing Education program renewed my love of nursing and my passion to contribute to the nursing profession. It provided me with the resources and knowledge I needed to successfully launch my career as a nurse educator.

I found the faculty at Daemen College to be knowledgeable as well as helpful and attuned to the needs of an adult student with work and family commitments.

The educational experience in the MS in Nursing Education program prepared me not only to begin practice as a nurse educator, but to enter into my doctoral studies with an excellent base of understanding of our profession’s challenges, opportunities and strong foundation.”

The Nursing Department at Daemen has a faculty that is highly credentialed. They have a wide range of research and clinical experience in the field of nursing.
Applicants for admission to the Master of Science program in nursing will be assessed on an individual basis according to the following criteria:

- Baccalaureate degree in nursing from an NLNAC/ACEN or CCNE accredited program*
- One year medical-surgical clinical experience (or equivalent)
- Completion of an undergraduate or graduate statistics course with a grade of C or better
- Undergraduate cumulative grade-point average of 3.25 or above (on a 4.0 scale)**
- Current registered professional nursing license
- Three letters of recommendation and a letter of intent
- Interview with a nursing faculty member

* Not required for RN-BS-MS program admission or RN to MS Accelerated Pathway
** Probationary status available to those students with less than a 3.25 GPA

Students not matriculated in the graduate program may, with the consent of the department chair, enroll in up to nine credits of graduate coursework on a space-available basis.

Full-time or Part-time Study

- Students may enroll in the graduate program on a full-time or part-time basis.
- Students may transfer previous graduate coursework from other institutions with approval of the department chair.

NURSING RESEARCH/CORE REQUIREMENTS: 12 credits

- NUR 501 - Nursing Informatics and Health Care Technology (1)
- NUR 512 - Theoretical Basis for Advanced Nursing Practice (3)
- NUR 602 - Qualitative Research (2)
- NUR 603 - Quantitative Research (2)
- NUR 604S - Thesis/Project Introductory Seminar (1)
- NUR 604 - Thesis/Project (3)

SPECIALTY REQUIREMENTS: 18 credits

- NUR 504 - Strategies and Theories in Education (3)
- NUR 513 - Issues in Advanced Practice Nursing (2)
- NUR 522 - Advanced Physiology/Pathophysiology/Health Assessment, and Pharmacology (3)
- NUR 528 - Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education (3)
- NUR 600 - Curriculum Design and Implementation (3)
- NUR 620 - Nursing Education Practicum (4) (includes 150 clock hours of teaching practice)

TOTAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS = 30 CREDITS

Advanced Certificate Nursing Education

A post-master’s certificate program is available for nurses who possess a minimum of a Master’s of Science in Nursing degree. The purpose of this program is to enhance the student’s knowledge and skills in nursing education.

This program would meet the needs of nurses who are already in nursing education positions without a nursing education academic preparation. The program would help them to optimize their current job performance as well as to enhance their career potential.

The program would also be useful for nurses who hold graduate degrees in clinical practice areas who are seeking nursing faculty positions and wish to enhance their credentials.

Requirements:

- NUR 504 - Strategies and Theories in Education (3)
- NUR 528 - Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education (3)
- NUR 600 - Curriculum Design and Implementation (3)
- NUR 620 - Nursing Education Practicum (3) (includes 100 clock hours of teaching practice)

TOTAL CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS = 12 CREDITS

*If you have not taken the equivalent of an Advanced Pharmacology, Pathophysiology, and Physical Assessment course in your initial nursing program, you will need to take NUR 522 - Advanced Physiology/Pathophysiology, Health Assessment and Pharmacology (3).

For further information or if you would like to visit the Nursing Department contact:

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