



# FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

## MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING

### NURSE EDUCATOR

The mission of The Ann Blanton Edwards School of Nursing and Health Sciences at Florida Southern College is to prepare health professionals to provide quality care for diverse populations.

### About FSC

Florida Southern College is known throughout the nation as a leader in engaged learning. FSC is consistently ranked as a top college in the prestigious *U.S. News and World Report* and was voted #1 most beautiful campus two years in a row by the *Princeton Review*. Situated in the corridor between Orlando and Tampa, students enjoy our location with easy access to surrounding areas.

### MSN Program Overview

At Florida Southern College, our MSN program builds on the foundations of the BSN and allows students to focus on a specific area of advanced nursing. Our MSN program currently features four distinct curriculum tracks: Family Nurse Practitioner, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Educator, and Nursing Administrative Leadership.

### Nurse Educator Track Delivery

The Nurse Educator track is delivered fully online. The curriculum is designed to be completed in five semesters. Actual time to degree completion may vary for individual students.

### Academic Advisor

The moment you enroll, you'll be assigned an advisor to see you through your experience from start to finish. This advisor will help you develop an educational plan that matches your priorities.

### Program Strengths

- Contemporary curriculum strategically designed using professional nursing standards to meet the learning needs of advanced practice nurses
- Abundant opportunities for engagement and scholarly discourse to advance personal and professional development
- Extensive network of practice partners that provide MSN students with outstanding clinical learning experiences
- Faculty and staff deeply committed to student success, academic excellence, and providing every student with positive and engaging learning experiences
- Faculty with the academic and clinical experience needed to optimize student learning outcomes

### Accreditation

The master's degree program in nursing at Florida Southern College is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccneaccreditation.org>)



### Financial Aid

Tuition deferment is available to students receiving employer reimbursement. FSC participates in all major federal aid programs including military funding.

### Contact Information

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A NATIONAL SHORTAGE OF NURSING FACULTY IS LIMITING THE ABILITY OF NURSING SCHOOLS TO ENROLL STUDENTS JUST AS WE NEED MORE REGISTERED NURSES. OUR NURSE EDUCATOR MSN PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE NURSES THE EDUCATION NEEDED TO STEP INTO SOME OF THESE CRITICAL FACULTY POSITIONS.

– Dr. Jeanne Jenkins, Assistant Professor of Nursing, MSN Program Director

## Prerequisite Courses

Students must have successfully completed the following courses at the undergraduate level earning a grade of “C” or better to qualify for admissions consideration:

- Basic Health Assessment
- Evidence-Based Practice or Nursing Research
- Elementary Statistics or Biostatistics

## Nurse Educator Track Requirements

- NUR 5120** Leadership, Role Development, and Advocacy for Advanced Nursing Practice (2 hours)
- NUR 5175** Advanced Pharmacology for Nurse Educators (3 hours)
- NUR 5200** Advanced Pathophysiology (3 hours)
- NUR 5225** Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Educators (3 hours)
- NUR 5250** Evidence Translation and Quality Improvement for Advanced Nursing Practice (3 hours)
- NUR 6120** Nurse Educator in the Clinical Setting (3 Hours)
- NUR 6125** Teaching in Nursing Education (3 hours)
- NUR 6225** Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education (3 hours)
- NUR 6235** Advanced Clinical Concepts (2 hours)
- NUR 6260** Curriculum Design and Program Development (3 hours)
- NUR 6625** Practicum in Nursing Education (3 hours)

Total Credits  
Clinical Hours

31 Hours  
Minimum 240 Hours

## Admission Requirements

- Submit your NursingCAS application online at [www.nursingcas.org](http://www.nursingcas.org)
- Submit all additional items directly to NursingCAS:
  - Official transcripts of all academic work
  - Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from an accredited CNEA, ACEN or CCNE program at a regionally accredited college or university
  - Current résumé
  - Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale on the last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework
  - Required undergraduate prerequisite courses
  - Proof of current active licensure as a registered nurse in the state of Florida
  - Record and submit three short videos (no more than 2 minutes each) answering the following prompts:
    1. Where do you see yourself in five years as a nurse practitioner, nurse leader, or nurse educator?
    2. Why is now the right time for you to begin a graduate nursing program?
    3. Graduate school will put significant demands on your time, energy, and financial resources. What do you see as your most significant challenges for meeting the didactic and clinical requirements for the program?
- Personal interview may be required for eligible candidates

Completion of a criminal background check, proof of immunization, and a ten-panel drug screen prior to beginning the program (if admitted)

