

MS in NURSING



PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Nursing Administration (MS)
- Nurse Educator (MS)

Located in the heart of the Inland Empire, the Loma Linda University School of Nursing offers students a quality Christian education embracing the importance of whole person care for mind, body and spirit. With students from more than 80 countries and 65 religions, we have a richly diverse student body that adds to the excitement of learning and exchange of ideas. Our commitment to the development of expert nurse clinicians, educators, administrators, and researchers prepares graduates to leave with a solid foundation, inspired to serve and transform the world one person at a time.

All programs are fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC); the MS programs are also accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Part-time option available - 3 years
- Hybrid Core Courses -between 2-10 days on campus per quarter
- Concentration Courses and Clinical Courses meet once a week face-to-face
- Clinical site options available to all students
- Low student to faculty ratio

Masters of Science in Nursing (MS) trained nurses are in high demand as nurse managers, clinical educators, health policy consultants, research assistants, and public health nurses. The LLUSN MS in Nursing prepares students to assume these leadership roles in a variety of organizational settings. Students who seek to further their careers, may pursue either a PhD in Nursing or a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP).

MS OPTIONS:

Nursing Administration (NA): The NA program at LLU School of Nursing prepares students for important leadership roles in healthcare. Nurse Administrators can run a small team of nurses or an entire health system. They also have the opportunity to manage work flow and create policies.

The curriculum draws from the practice of nursing, management, and related fields. It also includes administrative, research and clinical components. An intensive practicum provides the opportunity to develop and test skills in real-life settings with emphasis on critical thinking.

Graduates are prepared for certification by the American Association as a Nurse Executive, Advanced.

Nurse Educator (NE): The NE program at LLU School of Nursing prepares nurses for the pivotal role of educating future nurses in the classroom and practice setting. Nurse educators are critical players in providing quality educational experiences that prepare nursing students for a diverse workforce experience.

The teaching-learning strand within the curriculum focuses on developing the skills necessary for a teaching role in nursing. The NE program allows students to select a focus in which to conduct clinical research and prepare for a career in teaching. Educator's can work in a variety of settings, including hospitals, nursing schools, public health agencies and more.

Graduates will be encouraged to obtain certification in their clinical area as part of the evidence of clinical expertise for the faculty role.

- NE is available in the following specialties:
- Nurse Educator - Adult/Gerontology
 - Nurse Educator - Obstetrics & Pediatrics

LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER (LLUMC)

LLUMC is located across the street from the School of Nursing. The Medical Center is a tertiary-care teaching hospital with over 1,000 beds across multiple entities: LLUMC, Children's Hospital, East Campus, Behavioral Medicine Center, Surgical Hospital and LLUMC - Murrieta. As a level one regional trauma and health care center, LLUMC operates some of the largest clinical programs in the United States.

LLUMC is the site for many of the clinical experiences, internships, and educational opportunities available to students at Loma Linda University.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Baccalaureate degree in nursing from a regionally accredited program
- GPA of 3.0, both cumulative and in nursing courses
- Hold a current U.S. RN license (California RN license is required before the start of classes)
- One year of RN experience in the area of desired clinical concentration is strongly advised for application competitiveness
- Application with personal statement
- Three electronic recommendations (recommenders will receive an e-mail once application is submitted) – preferred: professor and/or current work supervisor, spiritual leader/mentor
- Official transcripts from all colleges attended
- Select applicants will be invited to interview
- Health Science Reasoning Test (*Taken on site - when invited for interview*)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

To apply to Loma Linda University's School of Nursing, students must first meet all the admission requirements. There is a \$70 non-refundable application fee. The application can be found online at www.llu.edu/apply.

ADMISSION DEADLINES

The School of Nursing accepts MS students in the Autumn, Winter and Spring Quarters. All admission requirements must be completed by the deadline. Deadlines are as follows:

- **AUTUMN – April 1** (*quarter begins in September*)
- **WINTER – August 1** (*quarter begins in January*)
- **SPRING – November 1** (*quarter begins in March*)

Please contact our Admissions Office with any questions by phone at (909) 558-4923 or by e-mail at graduatenuising@llu.edu.

TRANSCRIPTS

You must submit transcripts from all post-secondary institutions that you have attended, regardless of whether or not it applies to your prerequisite coursework. This includes all colleges, universities, military credit, Advanced Placement, CLEP, and unaccredited schools. Transcripts must be sent by the issuing institution(s) directly to LLU Admissions Processing. Transcripts provided in any other manner are unofficial and will not be accepted.

Please have official transcripts sent to:
Admissions Processing
Loma Linda University
11139 Anderson Street
Loma Linda, CA 92350 USA

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International applicants (non-U.S. citizens and non-U.S. permanent residents) must meet all admission requirements for the chosen program. In addition, official international transcripts must be evaluated by an accredited evaluation service. The application process must be initiated in a timely manner in order to comply with national immigration policies. A TOEFL score may also be required. Please visit www.llu.edu/apply/intltrans for more information.

FINANCIAL AID

Financial aid is available for eligible students. You should begin your financial aid process early, even before formal acceptance into the Nursing program. For more information on financial aid, visit <https://llu.edu/campus-spiritual-life/student-services/financial-life/financial-aid>

HOUSING

Housing is available on campus in a limited capacity.

- >> **Lindsay Hall** – for women (909) 558-4561
- >> **Daniells Residence Complex** – for men and women (909) 558-4562

The Office of Student Affairs maintains information in their office on local housing. For more information, please visit <https://llu.edu/campus-spiritual-life/housing-dining>

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LOMA LINDA
UNIVERSITY

LLU at a Glance

>> Founded in 1905 >> A Seventh-day Adventist institution integrating health, science, and Christian faith >> Offers over 200 programs in the health sciences >> Houses eight schools: Allied Health Professions, Behavioral Health, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health and Religion >> About 4,000 students >> Over 1,300 faculty >> 2,000 professional researchers >> \$46 million dollars in private and public grants generated each year >> Many service learning opportunities

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