

# MS in Nursing with Emphasis in Leadership in Nursing and Health Care Systems

## Degree Requirements

All students pursuing the MS(N) degree must complete a minimum of 33 to 41 credit hours of graduate coursework. Credit hours vary depending upon the student's area of study. Previous graduate level coursework from another institution may be accepted toward the degree depending upon transcript review. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 in order to graduate.

The MS(N) Leadership curriculum provides core master's coursework in combination with leadership specialty courses. Leadership specialty courses focus on principles of leadership within healthcare organizations, management of human resources, health care financial management, and managing quality, safety and performance outcomes.

### Core MS(N) courses

NURSE 7110	Advanced Nursing Roles and Professional Communication	3
NURSE 7160	Scientific Foundations for Health Sciences	4
NURSE 8170	Public Health, Sociocultural Issues, and Health Policy	3
NURSE 8910	Translational Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3

### Specialty MS(N) Leadership in Nursing and Healthcare Systems Courses

NURSE 8820	Health Care Financial Management	4
NURSE 8920	Quality, Safety, and Performance Outcomes	3
NURSE 8860	Organizations & Human Resource Management in Nursing	3
NURSE 8960	Leadership in Nursing and Healthcare Systems Practicum	5
NURSE 8990	Practice Inquiry	1
Elective		3

## Sample Plan of Study

This plan of study is for the post-baccalaureate, three-year plan. For more plans of study visit our website (<http://nursing.missouri.edu/>).

First Year					
Fall	CR	Spring	CR	Summer	CR
NURSE 7100	3	NURSE 7150	3	NURSE 7110	3
NURSE 8820	4			Graduate Statistics required before admission (entering Summer)	
7		3		3	
Second Year					
Fall	CR	Spring	CR	Summer	CR
NURSE 8940	3	NURSE 8860	3	NURSE 8910	3

NURSE 8300	3				
6		3		3	
Third Year					
Fall	CR	Spring	CR		
NURSE 8920 (60 clinical hours)	3	NURSE 8960 (180 hour practicum)	5		
		NURSE 8990	1		
3		6			

Total Credits: 34

## Thesis/Non-Thesis Requirements

Each candidate must pass a final examination to demonstrate mastery of the fundamental principles of the work included in the course of study offered for the degree. This requirement may be fulfilled by completion of NURSE 8990 Practice Inquiry. In this course, students will demonstrate a culmination of knowledge and skills learned throughout the MS program. Students must successfully complete a critical review of the literature in an integrative review format on a healthcare topic of their choice related to their area of study.

## Admissions

Applicants are required to meet two sets of minimum qualifications for admission: the requirements of the MS in Nursing program (<https://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/msn/how-to-apply/>) and the minimum requirements of the Graduate School (<http://gradschool.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/minimum-requirements.php>). Because requirements vary, you *must* refer to a degree program's graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility and application process. Your application materials will be reviewed by both the Graduate School and the degree program to which you've applied before official admission to the University of Missouri.