With an increasingly complex health care system, rapid advances in technology, and continued growth in scientific knowledge, there is a growing need for nurses with specialized knowledge, advanced practice expertise, and strong leadership skills.

If you are considering higher education that will help you meet these challenges, few degrees will give you more options and greater opportunities than a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) from The University of Texas (UT) Health Science Center San Antonio.

**Advanced training to expand your career.**
Associate degree/or diploma RNs interested in advancing their career as a health care provider, or administrator can do so with a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN). The MSN curriculum builds upon the professional nurse’s strengths and experiences to expand professional knowledge and practice skills, which provide potential career changing opportunities.

The School of Nursing offers a direct pathway from an associate degree/diploma to the MSN degree. Students enrolled in the Alternate Entry ADN to MSN Program participate in transitional courses, which facilitate movement through Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) competencies en route to the MSN without requiring repetition of content from previous programs.

This direct pathway is facilitated by distinguished faculty members who are responsible for teaching, research, and clinical activities at the School of Nursing and who are nationally recognized for their excellence in teaching, research, and service.

**ALTERNATE ENTRY STUDENTS HAVE 6 DIFFERENT MAJORS TO CHOOSE FROM**
- Clinical Nurse Leader
- Administrative Management
- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
- Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
- Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner

**DYNAMIC TEACHING AND LEARNING FORMAT**
Students complete 21 rather than 30 BSN credits and are required to complete a minimum of 40 semester credit hours to receive the MSN. The MSN curriculum is offered in a hybrid format, which includes seat, and online teaching and learning time. This supports best teaching practices and allows for flexibility to manage current careers and other life demands.

**REASONS TO ENROLL IN THE ADN TO MSN PROGRAM**
- Nationally Recognized Faculty
- Hybrid Curriculum
- Affordable Tuition
- Scholarship & Grant Opportunities
- Professional Growth

**Why you should pursue your advanced degree at The UT Health Science Center San Antonio.**
The UT Health Science Center San Antonio offers a top-rated MSN program which boasts exceptional faculty and considerable resources of a major academic health center, enabling you to enjoy leadership training, clinical and community experience, as well as opportunities for interdisciplinary research not afforded by many other nursing programs. Exceptional faculty, cutting edge technology, extramural grants, and other types of financial aid are just a few of the many resources available to students. The information technology, library holdings, clinical laboratories’ equipment, and space for academic and practice initiatives at The University of Texas Health Science Center are among the best in the country.

When you are ready to pursue an advanced degree in nursing, The UT Health Science Center San Antonio will provide you with the education and experience you need to advance your career.
ALTERNATE ENTRY MSN PROGRAM
ASSOCIATE DEGREE/DIPLOMA RNS
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN)

SPECIALIZATION, PROGRAM OF STUDY:
Administrative Management, Clinical Nurse Leader, Nurse Practitioner (Family Nurse Practitioner, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, Adult-Gerontology Acute Nurse Practitioner).

LENGTH: 3-4 YEARS

GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:
To be considered for admission to the Alternate Entry Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Program the following factors are required:

• Associate’s Degree or Diploma in Nursing from an NLNAC accredited program.

• Complete all 60 hours of required prerequisites courses.

• Licensure as a Registered Nurse in Texas or Compact License.

• Grade Point Average of “B” (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) or higher is required.

• Submit official transcript(s) from each post-secondary institution attended to NursingCAS.

• Three Professional References (Submit via NursingCAS application).

• Online application submitted via NursingCAS.

• Application Fee

• Current resume or curriculum vitae

• Statement of Goals and Interests – submitted directly to the School of Nursing.

• International transcripts must be evaluated by an accredited foreign credential service.

• International applicants – English proficiency test
  International applicants must have one official copy of a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing Service (IELTS) score. TOEFL and IELTS scores are to be no more than two years old.
  A minimum TOEFL score of 550 is required on paper examination; 250 on computer-based examination; or 68 on the internet based examination. A minimum IELTS score of 6.5 is required.

  • TOEFL school code: 3383

ONCE CONDITIONAL ADMISSION IS GRANTED, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE REQUIRED:

• Current CPR Certification (American Heart Association)

• Current Immunizations (see the School of Nursing website under “newly admitted students” for details on immunizations http://nursing.uthscsa.edu/students/index.asp)

• Current health insurance

• Pass criminal background check

APPLICATION AND DEADLINES
All applicants must submit through NursingCAS, the application, transcripts, references, and payment.

• Rolling Admission

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships:

- General Scholarships
- Applications are distributed to applicants and enrolled students.

Loans:

- Apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/.

Grants:

- Federal/State grants are available for qualified applicants.
  Submit your FAFSA early to be eligible. Tuition and Fees: http://studentservices.uthscsa.edu/cs_tuitionfees.aspx

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