

NURSING (M.S.N.) - COMMUNITY HEALTH

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses ¹		
NURS 500	Research ²	3
NURS 501	Health Policy and Ethics	3
NURS 502	Nursing Theory and Advanced Practice	3
NURS 503	Managing Population Health	3
NURS 521	Nursing Issues, Informatics and Technology	3
Total Hours		15

¹ Students with an RN license and bachelor's degree in a discipline other than Nursing must take NURS 226 Post-Licensure Research in Nursing (3 c.h.), NURS 440 Post-licensure Strategies for Community Health Care (4 c.h.), NURS 446 Post-Licensure Population Health (3 c.h.), NURS 489 Leadership in Nursing (3 c.h.), and NURS 491 Nursing Management (3 c.h.) within the first year of the program

² Introductory statistics course (math preferred) and an undergraduate course in 3.0 GPA health assessment (e.g. NURS 210 Pre-licensure Health Assessment (3 c.h.)) are required. For those who did not complete these courses in their undergraduate programs, they may fulfill these requirements during the first two semesters of the M.S.N. program. Students must complete the statistics course prior to enrollment in NURS 500 Research (3 c.h.)

Code	Title	Hours
Community Health Concentration		
NURS 523	Financial and Resource Management for Nurse Leaders	3
NURS 631	Community Health Practicum I Health Policy Leadership ^{1,2}	3
NURS 632	Community Health Practicum II ^{1,2}	3
NURS 633	Community Health Practicum III ^{1,2}	3
HLTH 501	Biostatistics	3
HLTH 503	Principles of Epidemiology	3
HLTH 505	Principles of Environmental Health	3
Total Hours		21

¹ NURS 631 Community Health Practicum I Health Policy Leadership (3 c.h.), NURS 632 Community Health Practicum II (3 c.h.), and NURS 633 Community Health Practicum III (3 c.h.) involve practicum hours (200 practicum hours). Students must obtain a preceptor site contract along with an MSN or doctorally prepared preceptor. Degree must be completed within 5 years

² Students must also complete all pre-practicum requirements prior to enrollment in any practicum course

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
- Liberty University course work that is more than 5 years old may not be applied towards this degree. Students are required to repeat the course if it has exceeded the age limit
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
NURS 500	Research	3
NURS 501	Health Policy and Ethics	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
NURS 502	Nursing Theory and Advanced Practice	3
NURS 503	Managing Population Health	3
Hours		6
Second Year		
Third Semester		
NURS 521	Nursing Issues, Informatics and Technology	3
HLTH 501	Biostatistics	3
Hours		6
Fourth Semester		
HLTH 503	Principles of Epidemiology	3
NURS 631	Community Health Practicum I Health Policy Leadership	3
Hours		6
Third Year		
Fifth Semester		
NURS 523	Financial and Resource Management for Nurse Leaders	3
NURS 632	Community Health Practicum II	3
Hours		6
Sixth Semester		
HLTH 505	Principles of Environmental Health	3
NURS 633	Community Health Practicum III	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		36

All applicable prerequisites must be met