

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

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. 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
NURS 527	School of Nursing MSN Practicum Gate	0
Total Hours		15

¹ Students with an RN license and bachelor's degree in a discipline other than Nursing must take NURS 226, NURS 440, NURS 446, NURS 489, and NURS 491 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) 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

Code	Title	Hours
Health Policy Concentration		
NURS 627	Practicum I Health Policy Leadership ^{1,2}	3
NURS 628	Practicum II Health Policy Leadership ^{1,2}	3
NURS 629	Practicum III Health Policy Leadership ^{1,2}	3
NURS 721	Leadership, Policy and Ethics	3
PADM 550	Public Policy Analysis	3
PPOG 530	Domestic Policy	3
PPOL 501	Foundations of American Governance: An Introduction to Public Policy	3
Total Hours		21

¹ NURS 627, NURS 628, and NURS 629 involve practicum hours (200 practicum hours). Students must obtain a preceptor site contract along with an MSN or doctorally prepared preceptor.

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

All applicable prerequisites must be met

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
PPOL 501	Foundations of American Governance: An Introduction to Public Policy	3
Hours		6
Fourth Semester		
PPOG 530	Domestic Policy	3
NURS 627	Practicum I Health Policy Leadership	3
Hours		6
Third Year		
Fifth Semester		
PADM 550	Public Policy Analysis	3
NURS 628	Practicum II Health Policy Leadership	3
Hours		6
Sixth Semester		
NURS 721	Leadership, Policy and Ethics	3
NURS 629	Practicum III Health Policy Leadership	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		36