



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING: MIDAS PROGRAM

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Master of Science in Nursing: Direct Entry as Second Degree (MIDAS) program is designed for mature, goal-directed individuals who have a bachelor's degree in a discipline other than nursing who desire to be a licensed registered nurse (RN).

The 20-month MSN MIDAS program is a rigorous full-time, five consecutive semester fall entry program (fall/spring/summer/fall/spring). The seventy-nine credit hour curriculum is taught onsite and practicum experiences are at healthcare facilities in the greater Cincinnati area. Students successfully completing the program graduate with a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) and are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Exam-Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN).

Within this generic master's program is the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) role. "In practice, the CNL oversees care coordination of a distinct group of patients and actively provides direct patient care in complex situations. The master's degree-prepared clinician puts evidence-based practice into action to ensure that patients benefit from the latest innovations in care delivery." (CNL Fact Sheet www.aacn.nche.edu/cnl). MIDAS graduates are eligible to sit for the Clinical Nurse Leader certification exam.

MIDAS graduates are also eligible to sit for the holistic nursing certification exam (see endorsements below).

PRE-REQUISITE COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Pre-requisites include a two semester or three quarter series of anatomy and physiology (lectures and labs), a microbiology course, and a statistics course. Science courses must be no older than five years. Applicants must obtain approval of pre-requisite course work, including courses previously completed and those remaining to be completed. Strong applicants may be offered admission prior to completion of pre-requisites. However, all pre-requisites must be successfully completed and grades reported prior to the start of the fall semester.

APPLICATION AND ADMISSION

Prospective students may apply for admission year-round. Applications are reviewed beginning in late January for the upcoming fall semester entry term – the fall semester begins approximately the third week in August. Admission is offered to qualified, strong applicants on a rolling basis. To begin an application process, click the APPLY link at www.xavier.edu. Required are official transcripts for all college and university coursework, official Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores, three recommendations, an essay and a resume. Grades for pre-requisite courses in progress must be submitted to the School of Nursing by the date designed in the acceptance letter.

NOTE: A past felony or misdemeanor conviction may result in disqualification for the state licensure examination (as outlined in Section 4723.28 of the Ohio Revised Code).

TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID

Some scholarship support is available through the School of Nursing. Other funding can be explored through corporate or privately funded scholarships designated for nursing students. See www.xavier.edu/msn/Financial-Aid.cfm for more information and links to the Office of the Bursar (tuition rates) and to the Office of Financial Aid (financial aid counselors). The University designates funds each year for distribution among MIDAS students in the form of small grants based upon FAFSA results.

THE SCHOOL OF NURSING ACCREDITATION AND ENDORSEMENTS

Xavier's Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN) and endorsed by the American Holistic Nurses Credentialing Corporation (AHNCC).

COURSE SEQUENCE FOR MSN MIDAS PROGRAM

First Semester (Fall)	Second Semester (Spring)
NURS 550 Nursing Perspectives I (3) NURS 501 Theoretical Bases for Nursing Practice (3) NURS 502 Nursing Research (3) NURS 552 Art and Science of Nursing (4) NURS 553 Art and Science of Nursing Practicum ¹ (2) NURS 554 Essentials of Pathophysiology (3)	NURS 560 Nursing Perspectives II (3) NURS 562 Art and Science of Family Nursing (4) NURS 563 Art and Science of Family Nursing Practicum ¹ (2) NURS 564 Art and Science of Adult Nursing (4) NURS 565 Art and Science of Adult Nursing Practicum ¹ (2)
Total (18 credit hours)	Total (15 credit hours)
Third Semester (Summer)	
NURS 650 Art and Science of Advanced Nursing (6) NURS 651 Art and Science of Advanced Nursing Practicum ¹ (3) NURS 652 Art and Science of Psychiatric Nursing (2) NURS 653 Art and Science of Psychiatric Nursing Practicum ¹ (1) NURS 654 Advanced Pharmacology (2) NURS 656 Advanced Pathophysiology (2)	
Total (16 credit hours)	
Fourth Semester (Fall)	Fifth Semester (Spring)
NURS 750 Nursing Perspectives III (3) NURS 864 Epidemiologic Methods in Health Care (3) NURS 752 Community Nursing/Public Health Policy (4) NURS 753 Community Nursing/Public Health Policy Practicum ¹ (2) NURS 754 Leadership and Management Concepts (3)	NURS 850 Nursing Perspectives IV (3) NURS 500 Health Care Ethics for Nursing Leaders (3) NURS 857 Leadership Practicum & Scholarly Project ¹ (6) NURS 854 Advanced Informatics (3)
Total (15 credit hours)	Total (15 credit hours)

¹Practicum courses: 1 cr. hr. = 4 contact hours

MSN MIDAS additional information including FAQ and info session dates: www.xavier.edu/midas

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OTHER NURSING OPPORTUNITIES AT XAVIER

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) www.xavier.edu/nursing

Graduate Nursing for Registered Nurses www.xavier.edu/MSN/Graduate-Nursing-Entry-Points.cfm:

MSN for RNs: Tracks in administration, clinical nurse leader, education, family nurse practitioner, forensics, general studies, health care law and informatics

RN to MSN for individuals with an associate degree or diploma in nursing

MSN Dual Degrees: MSN/MBA, MSN/MEd, MSN/MSJ

Post-Master's Certificates: Clinical Nurse Leader or Family Nurse Practitioner

DNP: Doctor of Nursing Practice in Population Health Leadership