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Marquette University College of Nursing
Master of Science in Nursing

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A: Students must submit a completed application, have a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing Degree, three letters of recommendation (one academic recommendation preferred), have a GPA of at least 3.0 and successful completion of the following courses with a C or better:

Nursing Research 3 credits

Health Assessment 3 credits

Statistics (with Inferential Analysis) 3 credits

In addition, students must hold a current RN License in the state of Wisconsin and must be in good standing. A current Resume and a Goal Statement are also required.

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Q: *Do the prerequisites have to be completed before start of the program?*

A: Yes, Statistics can be taken the first semester, however all other prerequisites need to be completed.

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Q: *When can I apply?*

A: Students should apply about 6 months before their intended start date, for example, apply in June 2007 for January 2008 start. There is no set deadline to apply for this program.

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Q: *Do I have to take the GRE?*

A: You only have to take the GRE if your undergraduate GPA is less than 3.2.

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Q: *How much is tuition?*

A: For more information on the cost of graduate tuition, please click [here](#).

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Q: *Where can I find information on graduate financial aid?*

A: For more information regarding financial aid, please click [here](#).

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Q: *Are any of the classes offered Online?*

A: Yes, but the majority of course work still includes class time.

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Q: *How long does the program take to complete?*

A: 1.5- 2 years. This will depend upon if you go full-time and the option you select. Part-time program plans are set up individually. Regardless, the MSN program must be completed within 6 years.

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Q: *What options do you offer?*

A: The college of Nursing provides degrees in the following areas:

[Clinical Nurse Leader](#)

[Adults](#)

[MSN/MBA](#)

[Health Care Systems Leadership](#)

[Older Adults](#)

[Nurse Midwifery](#)

[Acute Care](#)

[Children](#)

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Q: *Do I have to interview for a certain option?*

A: Yes. The Midwifery option requests an interview for selected students. Otherwise, it is encouraged that students speak with their option coordinator.

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Q: *How large are the clinical groups and will I be able to pick my own?*

A: Clinicals are arranged by the college. Please contact the Option Coordinator for more clinical information. To find out who the option coordinator is for each program, please contact Karen Nest at <mailto:karen.nest@mu.edu> or 288-3810.

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Q: *When are classes offered?*

A: Classes are typically offered during the late afternoon and evening. Not all courses are offered every semester. Your academic advisor will create a program plan to help keep you on track.