



OUR CAMPUSES

► The Doheny Campus

Home to our traditional undergraduate, nursing (ABSN, ADN, RN to BSN), Weekend and Graduate Programs, the Doheny Campus is made up of a circle of Victorian style mansions, surrounded by exotic trees, flowers and spacious lawns. Located just south of downtown Los Angeles in the historic West Adams, the campus is a favorite Hollywood filming site. The Doheny Campus serves approximately 550 students, and is near the intersection of the 10 and 110 freeways.

► The Chalon Campus

Home to our traditional undergraduate programs, the Chalon Campus sits high in the Brentwood hills overlooking Los Angeles, near the world-famous Getty Center. With its striking Spanish colonial architecture and an amazing ocean view, this campus is safe and secluded, yet in the center of everything. Over 1,400 undergraduate students enjoy scenic views and the quiet setting, and about 500 students live on the Chalon Campus.

FINANCIAL AID

The current starting salary for a R.N. is over \$71,000 per year, so your investment in becoming a nurse is a solid one. You can receive funds from a variety of sources that will make a nursing program affordable to you. You may be eligible for MSMU grants, state and federal grants and loans, and alternative loans based upon your individual financial circumstances. If you're entering the traditional BSN program, you may also be eligible for merit awards based upon academic success.

To find out if you're eligible for federal and state financial aid, you will need to complete The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). We highly recommend that you apply using the FAFSA on the web at: fafsa.ed.gov. Our school code is **001243**.

PROGRAM TUITION AND FEES

To see the current tuition and fees for all programs, please visit our website at msmu.edu/admission.

APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

The Mount Saint Mary's Application for Admission is available online at msmu.edu.

NURSING PROGRAMS

- ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE
- ASSOCIATE DEGREE
- BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE
- RN TO BSN PROGRAM



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START YOUR NURSING CAREER

AT MOUNT SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY

Nurses represent the largest segment of the U.S. health care workforce with more than 3 million members. Earning a nursing degree is undoubtedly one of the best educational investments you can make today. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics reports that demand for all nursing jobs will surge by 16% by 2024.

To be a good nurse, you should have a well-rounded background, training in nursing and a heart to help others. These qualities are a perfect fit with Mount Saint Mary's University. Our mission is to educate students to go into the world to help others. We provide a foundation of liberal arts coursework, linked with professional training and supervision in nursing care. While Mount Saint Mary's is primarily a women's university, men are admitted to all nursing programs.

NURSING PROGRAMS	ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING	ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING	TRADITIONAL BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING	RN TO BSN PROGRAM
Who is it designed for?	Those with a Bachelor's degree in another field	Transfer students	Transfer students or MSMU pre-nursing or pre-health	Those with a valid and clear, current Registered Nurse license issued by the California Board of Registered Nursing to practice in the state of California or eligible for CA RN License
Length	3 semesters (1 calendar year)	2 to 3 years	3 years (after completion of prerequisites)	3 semesters (1 calendar year)
Classes and Clinical Sessions	Classes: Weekdays and some holidays (Fall, Spring & Summer) Clinicals: Weekdays and/or Weekends	Classes: Evenings and Afternoons Clinicals: Weekends	Weekdays	100% online or a hybrid of online and on-campus courses
Campus	Doheny	Doheny	Chalon	Doheny
Application Priority Dates	Fall: March 1 Summer: October 15	Fall: April 1 Spring: September 1	Fall: February 1	Fall: April 1 Spring: September 1

Mount Saint Mary's University's Nursing programs are designed to prepare students for a nursing license in the state of California. For students who wish to practice in a state other than California, you may or may not have additional requirements you must complete prior to applying for your license. Please contact Dr. Leah Fitzgerald, Dean of Nursing, at lfitzgerald@msmu.edu to discuss if you will need to satisfy additional requirements.

OTHER PROGRAM OPTIONS

► LVN to RN Non-Degree 30 Unit Option

A non-degree RN option is available for applicants licensed as LVN's in California. After completing 30 units of prescribed courses, the student is eligible to take the California examination for the RN Licensure. The student is not a graduate of the BSN Program and does not receive a Degree. This option is available in any of the pre-licensure programs at Mount Saint Mary's University. Practice as a Registered Nurse with a CA license outside the State of California may be limited. Students who would like more information regarding this option can contact the Nursing Admissions office for further counseling.

► Traditional RN to BSN

This program is open to RNs who have completed MSMU's general education requirements and would like to continue their studies in a traditional classroom format. They are accepted into the senior year of the BSN program.

► LVN or RN to BSN Advanced Placement Program

Participants must complete the Roy Adaptation Model course offered during the MSMU summer session.



OUR GRADUATES

Mount Saint Mary's University has an outstanding reputation in the field of healthcare education. In fact, we offered the first bachelor's degree in nursing program in California. Graduates from our program are actively recruited by healthcare providers and are working all over the country. Some of our recent graduates gained immediate employment at UCLA Medical Center, Children's Hospital Los Angeles and Cedars-Sinai Hospital.

THE CURRICULUM

The Mount Saint Mary's University nursing curriculum is based on the Roy Adaptation Model, which is widely used in the United States and other countries. In fact, this model was developed by the former chairperson of the department of nursing at MSMU, Sister Callista Roy.

The Roy Adaptation Model recognizes that a person is a bio-psycho-social-spiritual being who is in constant interaction with a dynamic and complex world. Studying in this framework, you will learn to understand your patients as total beings, to recognize and respect human values and the complexities of cultural understandings, and to utilize a scientific process in decisions made about care for your patients.

ACCREDITATIONS

Our degree programs are approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing. Both of our Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs are accredited by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education. Upon completion of the program, students are eligible to take the NCLEX exam to become a registered nurse.



ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN)

- ▶ **Where:** Doheny Campus
- ▶ **When:** Weekdays, Holidays and Weekends
- ▶ **Application Deadlines:**
Summer term **October 15**
Fall term **March 1**

The Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing program (BSN) is designed for those who have previously completed a baccalaureate degree in another field and have successfully completed the necessary prerequisites for this program. The program starts twice a year, in the Summer and Fall.

The program is limited to 40 students each start term. This is an intensive three-semester program that requires students' full attention and focus.

Clinical groups are limited to 10 students with one faculty

member, and are scheduled for two to three days each week, eight hours per day, beginning as early as 6 a.m. Students must be able to provide their own transportation to and from clinical facilities. Rotations include adult medical/surgical, pediatric, mental health, advanced medical/surgical, maternal-newborn, community health, gerontology, leadership/management and a transition to practice.

Sites include, but are not limited to: UCLA Medical Center, UCLA Santa Monica, Children's Hospital Los Angeles, Harbor/UCLA, Little Company of Mary Hospital, Northridge Hospital, St. John's Medical Center, the Public Health Department and Torrance Memorial Center.

The Accelerated BSN degree requires a total of 127 units, including 58 nursing units and

three units of Bioethics. The majority of the degree's general education and preparation units are transferred from the students' previous baccalaureate programs.

PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION

To be considered for admission, a student must have earned a baccalaureate degree at an accredited college or university, with a cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or greater. Applicants must complete the Nursing Department math exam to be considered for admission. Invitations for the math exam will be emailed to all qualified applicants shortly after the application deadline.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

(SEMESTER UNITS – completed with grade of "C" or better)

Course	Units
Chemistry w/lab or Physics w/lab*	4
Human Anatomy w/lab*	4
Human Physiology w/lab*	4
Microbiology w/lab*	4
Eng 1A	3
Public Speaking	2
General Psychology	3
Introduction to Sociology or Cultural Anthropology	3
Lifespan/Development Psychology	3
Human Nutrition	3
Philosophy	3
Religious Studies	3
Religious Studies or Philosophy	3

* Must have been completed within five years prior to admission.

Additional Curriculum and Program Notes

- ▶ Those who have received any grade lower than a "C" in any two required courses (the same course repeated or two separate courses) will not be considered for admission.
- ▶ No more than two prerequisite courses may be "in progress" at the time of application. They must be completed prior to program start date.
- ▶ The Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program meets the standards for and has been approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, leading to the California RN license. Mount Saint Mary's is in the process of researching program professional licensure standards in other states.
- ▶ Requirements are subject to change. Please consult the nursing admission webpage for most current information. msmu.edu/admission/nursing-admission

CURRICULUM

Semester I	Units
Foundations of Nursing/Roy	(T) 3 (C) 3
Pathophysiology	3
Pharmacology I	1
Adult Med/Surg I/Roy	(T) 4 (C) 4
Pharmacology II	2
Fundamentals/Skills Lab	1

Semester II	Units
Med/Surg II	(T) 2 (C) 1.5
Mental Health	(T) 2 (C) 1.5
Integrative Medicine	1.5
Childbearing	(T) 2 (C) 1.5
Children	(T) 2 (C) 1.5
Palliative Care	1.5
Bioethics	3

Semester III	Units
Community Health	(T) 2 (C) 2
Gerontology	(T) 2 (C) 1.5
Leadership/Policy	(T) 2 (C) 1.5
Transitions to Professional Practice	(T) 2 (C) 2
Evidence Based Practice	3
Advanced Health Assessment	2



ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING (ADN)

- **Where:** Doheny Campus
- **When:** Evening or Afternoon classes, clinicals on Weekends
- **Application Deadlines:**
Fall term **April 1**
Spring term **September 1**

Our Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program is designed for adults wishing to complete their preparation as a Registered Nurse (RN). Clinicals are completed on Friday/Saturday or Saturday/Sunday between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in a variety of Greater Los Angeles area facilities.

Students must provide their own reliable transportation to and from clinical facilities.

PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION

To be considered for admission, candidates must have completed all prerequisite courses with a grade of "C" or better:

An overall GPA of at least 2.75 with a 2.5 science GPA is also required. Those who have completed the first-year courses and prerequisite courses at a community college or a four-year college or university may be admitted to second year standing, but will have to take Religion 41 at Mount Saint Mary's University. Direct-to-Nursing applicants must complete the T.E.A.S. exam to be considered for admission. Invitations for the T.E.A.S. exam will be emailed to all qualified applicants shortly after the application deadline.

Additional Curriculum and Program Notes

- Those who have received any grade lower than a "C" in any two required courses (the same course repeated or two separate courses) will not be considered for admission.
- No more than two prerequisite courses may be "in progress" at the time of application. They must be completed prior to program start date.
- Associate Degree in Nursing students will have the option to fast-track their nursing career by opting to complete RN to BSN program requirements while concurrently enrolled in their program. Students who complete the program will be eligible for admission into the RN to BSN program where they will encounter faculty from their previous program and maintain a familiar evening/weekend or online course format.
- Requirements are subject to change. Please consult the nursing admission webpage for most current information. msmu.edu/admission/nursing-admission

CURRICULUM (SEMESTER UNITS)

Prerequisite Courses	Units	Adult & Adolescent Mental Health	2
Chemistry w/lab*	3	Interpersonal Skills	1
Human Anatomy w/lab*	4	Mental Health Practicum	2
Human Physiology w/lab*	4	Children: Adaptation	2
Microbiology w/lab*	4	Children: Practicum	2
Eng 1A	3	Professional & Management Issues in Nursing	3
Eng 1B	3	Religious Studies-Bioethics	3
Public Speaking	3		
General Psychology	3	Second Year Courses	Units
Introduction to Sociology	3	Biomedical Issues in Christian Ethics	3
Lifespan/Developmental Psychology	3	Childbearing: Adaptation	2
Philosophy-Critical Thinking	3	Childbearing: Practicum	2
Quantitative Reasoning and Mathematical Idea	3	Gerontological Nursing	2
General Studies Elective	3	Gerontological Nursing Practicum	2
		Adult Adaptation Nursing III	3
		Medical-Surgical Practicum III	2
		Professional Nursing Practicum	3
		RN to BSN Bridge Requirement	

First Year Courses

First Year Courses	Units
Adaptation Model Nursing Theory	2
Principles & Practice of Nursing Skills	2, 1
Pharmacology	2
Adult Adaptation Nursing I, II	2, 2
Medical-Surgical Principles & Practice of Skills I	0.5, 0.5
Medical-Surgical Principles & Practice of Skills II	0.5, 0.5
Medical-Surgical Practicum I, II	2, 2

* These courses must have been completed within five years prior to admission.



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN)

- **Where:** Chalon Campus
- **When:** Weekdays
- **Application Deadline:** February 1

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree (BSN) program allows students to gain a bachelor's degree and clinical rotation experience—a combination in high demand by employers.

Clinical rotations begin sophomore year and are limited to 12 students with one faculty member. They are scheduled two days each week, for six to 12 hours each day. Students must be able to provide their own transportation to clinical

facilities. Rotations and courses include adult medical and surgical nursing in the sophomore year. Juniors focus on pediatric, mental health, maternal-newborn and advanced medical-surgical nursing. In the senior year, classes and rotations focus on community health, leadership, gerontology and the professional practice.

PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION

Transfer candidates must complete 32 prerequisite units, including all science prerequisites. A minimum overall 3.0 GPA is required for consideration with a minimum 2.7 GPA in the required science courses. Direct-to-Nursing applicants who have met the minimum admission requirements

will be invited to take the Kaplan exam on campus. Invitations for the exam will be emailed to all qualified applicants shortly after the application deadline.

Additional Curriculum and Program Notes

- Those who have received any grade lower than a "C" in any two required courses (the same course repeated or two separate courses) will not be considered for admission.
- No more than two prerequisite courses may be "in progress" at the time of application. They must be completed prior to program start date.
- First-Year Seminar Series* required if transferring less than 24 units.
- A trigonometry, calculus, pre-calculus or college algebra course satisfies our Quantitative Reasoning and Mathematical Ideas requirement.
- Requirements are subject to change. Please consult the nursing admission webpage for most current information. msmu.edu/admission/nursing-admission

CURRICULUM (SEMESTER UNITS)

Freshman Year Prerequisites	Units	Junior Year	Units
Chemistry w/lab or Physics w/lab*	3	Integrative Theory and Practices	1.5
Human Anatomy w/lab*	4	Palliative Care	1.5
Human Physiology w/lab*	4	Adult Medical Surgical II	4.5
Microbiology w/lab*	4	Childbearing Families and Women's Health	4.5
Eng 1A	3	Children and Families	4.5
Eng 1B or 1C	3	Mental Health	4.5
Public Speaking	2	Bioethics or Bio Med Issues in Christian Ethics or Contemporary Moral Problems	3
General Psychology	3	Introduction to Logic or Critical Thinking	3
Introduction to Sociology	3		
Quantitative Reasoning and Mathematical Idea	3		
Sophomore Year	Units	Senior Year	Units
Nutrition and Health	2	Evidence-Based Practice	3
Pharmacology I	1	Leadership and Health Policy	4.5
Pharmacology II	2	Gerontology	4.5
Foundations of Nursing and Roy	7	Transition to Professional Practice	5
Pathophysiology	3	Community/Public Health	4.5
Fundamental Skills	1	Advanced Health Assessment	2
Adult Medical Surgical Nursing I	7.5	Integrative Scholarship	6
Intro to Christian Ethics or Moral Values	3		
LACE Central Core Course	3		
Life Span/Human Development	3		

* Must have been completed within five years prior to admission.



RN TO BSN PROGRAM

- **Where:** Doheny Campus
- **When:** 100% online or a hybrid of online and on-campus courses
- **Application Deadlines:**
Fall term **April 1**
Spring term **September 1**

The RN to BSN program offers a flexible and affordable opportunity for busy nursing professionals. Students can complete the program in as little as three semesters on-campus or online while remaining active in their jobs and families. The program is accredited by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education and all graduates qualify for Public Health Certification.

Students will complete General Education courses in the Evening/Weekend College or online.

Uniquely designed for the working nurse, students have the option of entering in the fall or spring based on their work schedule.

Our program will expand your knowledge and skills beyond the clinical aspects of nursing to give you background in evidence-based practice, leadership, patient safety, and healthcare policy. Graduates of the program are eligible for certification as public health nurses. Students will be provided with all dates of classes prior to beginning the program.

PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION

To be considered for admission, students must have an unencumbered, valid, active RN license in the state of California or eligibility for CA RN license, and an overall GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale. All prerequisite courses must have been completed with a grade of "C" or better.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

(SEMESTER UNITS – completed with grade of "C" or better)

Course	Units
Chemistry w/lab or Physics w/lab	4
Human Anatomy w/lab	4
Human Physiology w/lab	4
Microbiology w/lab	4
Eng 1A	3
Public Speaking	3
General Psychology	3
Introduction to Sociology	3
Lifespan/Developmental Psychology	3

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Course	Units
Chemistry w/lab or Physics w/lab	4
Second Semester Written Communication	3
Art or Music	3
History	3
Literature	3
Economics/Political Science	3
Introduction to Christian Ethics or Biomedical Issues in Christian Ethics	3
Religious Studies Requirement	3
Philosophy-Philosophical Ideas	3

NURSING CURRICULUM

Course	Units
Role Transition & Professional Nursing Practice	2
Health Assessment	3
Alterations in Human Health & Wellness	3
Leadership & Healthcare Policy	2
Leadership Practicum	2.5
Community and Public Health Nursing	2.5
Community and Public Health Practicum	2
Integrative Theory and Practices	1.5
Palliative Care	1.5
Nursing Evidence-Based Practice & Informatics	3

Additional Curriculum and Program Notes

- The total number of units required for the BSN degree is a minimum of 124 units which must include a minimum of 45 upper division units. In addition, a student must complete all college general studies and nursing major requirements.
- The RN to BSN Program meets the standards for and has been approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, leading to the California RN license. Mount Saint Mary's is in the process of researching program professional licensure standards in other states.
- Requirements are subject to change. Please consult the nursing admission webpage for most current information. msmu.edu/admission/nursing-admission