

## MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

(MSN)

### WHY OUR PROGRAM?

The Master of Science (MSN) in Nursing program at Thomas Edison State University (TESU) prepares you to assume practitioner or leadership roles in a diverse, technologically challenging and global healthcare environment. You can pursue a wide-range of areas of specialization and take the next step in expanding your education and expertise. You will learn from mentors who are experienced nurse educators and practitioners and practice leaders throughout the country.

### PROGRAM ADVANTAGES

- ▶ All programs are offered as online, mentored learning programs where students actively participate.
- ▶ A certificate in education, informatics, or administration is awarded along with the MSN degree for non-NP specialties.
- ▶ Up to 12 graduate credits may be transferred and applied to your MSN degree.
- ▶ Each non- NP MSN specialty has a 100-hour practicum course. The Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) track has 750 practicum hours.

[TESU.EDU/MSN](https://www.tesu.edu/MSN)

### TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR NURSING CAREER

Our Master of Science (MSN) in Nursing programs actively shape the nursing profession by preparing nurse leaders and practitioners who are intellectually curious, clinically competent, and technologically prepared to assume positions at the forefront of healthcare transformation. The MSN degree program is for nurses who have a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and wish to pursue a variety of advanced roles in healthcare administration, informatics, nursing education or PMHNP.

### AREAS OF SPECIALTY

You may also specialize in one of the following areas of study:

- ▶ **Nurse Educator:** Prepares you for teaching roles in healthcare and academic settings. An aging population combined with current nursing shortages means nursing schools have a critical need for qualified faculty members. A Nurse Educator certificate is awarded in addition to the degree upon MSN program completion.
- ▶ **Nursing Informatics:** Prepares you to function as a nurse informaticist. Lead a multidisciplinary team to ensure quality patient care through the integration of nursing science and data and technical sciences. A Nursing Informatics certificate is awarded in addition to the degree upon MSN program completion.
- ▶ **Nursing Administration:** Prepares you for the role of nurse administrator in healthcare settings. Provide leadership for the management and supervision of nursing personnel, financial resources and practices in your organization. A Nursing Administration certificate is awarded in addition to the degree upon MSN program completion.
- ▶ **Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner:** Prepares advanced practice RNs to care for diverse patients, families and communities with mental health needs. The program emphasizes health maintenance, assessment, diagnosis, and current interventions for mental health. The PMHNP track prepares students to take national certification examinations.

## WHY CHOOSE TESU?

As one of the first universities in the country designed specifically for busy, motivated adults, Thomas Edison State University is dedicated to providing you with a high-quality education — anytime, anywhere.

- ▶ **Exceptional Value:** Competitive tuition and fees. Plus, financial aid and scholarships are available.
- ▶ **Degree Flexibility:** Engage in your courses whatever time of day works for you. Courses are available 24/7.

\*Several programs have additional requirements beyond GPA for admission.

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## CAREER INSIGHTS

Individuals with graduate degrees earn an average of \$1 million more in lifetime income compared to high school graduates.<sup>1</sup>

### Annual Average Salary<sup>2</sup>

- ▶ Nurse Educator: **\$80,780/yr**
- ▶ Nursing Informatics: **\$88,270/yr**
- ▶ Nursing Administration: **\$110,680/yr**
- ▶ Nursing Practitioner: **\$128,490/yr**

### SOURCES:

1 <https://www.ssa.gov/policy/docs/research-summaries/education-earnings.html>

2 U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)

## DEGREE/PROGRAM ACCREDITATIONS

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing, master's degree program in nursing, and doctor of nursing practice program at Thomas Edison State University are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.

