

JOINT DEGREE IN MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING/MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MSN/MBA)

Program Description Graduates of this joint degree program between the College of Nursing and the College of Business Administration receive both the MSN and MBA degrees. The curriculum prepares nurse leaders with a unique blend of nursing, administration, and leadership skills. Admission to the program is selective and requires that the applicant meet the standard admission criteria of the CON, CBA, and the Graduate Division.

Curriculum

College of Nursing Requirements		24 Credits
BIO 590	Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology	3 cr
NUR 605	Advanced Health Assessment	3 cr
NUR 606	Pharmacological Principles for Advanced Practice Nursing	3 cr
NUR 612	Foundational Concepts for Advanced Practice Nursing	3 cr
NUR 662	Theoretical Foundations for Advanced Practice Nursing	3 cr
NUR 670	Research for Evidence-Based Practice	3 cr
NUR 701	Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse	3 cr
Graduate Nursing Elective		3 cr
College of Business Requirements-MBA Foundation Courses		14 Credits
Note: These courses may be waived if a student has completed an equivalent undergraduate management course with appropriate performance or has completed the Management Certificate for Nursing.		
MBA 501	Managerial Economics	2 cr
MBA 504	Business Law	2 cr
MBA 510	Financial Accounting	2 cr
MBA 520	Financial Management	2 cr
MBA 530	Marketing Management	2 cr
MBA 540	Managerial Statistics	2 cr

MBA 550	Psychological Foundations of Management	2 cr
MBA Core Courses		30 Credits
MBA 601	Business, Society, & the Natural Environment	2 cr
MBA 602	Managing Technology & Innovation	1 cr
MBA 603	Business & the Natural Environment	1 cr
MBA 604	Contemporary Legal Issues	2 cr
MBA 610	Accounting Information for Decision Analysis	2 cr
MBA 620	Financial Analysis	2 cr
MBA 630	The Customer Challenge	2 cr
MBA 640	Quantitative Business Analysis	2 cr
MBA 642	Operations Management	2 cr
MBA 645	Information Systems & Information Technology	2 cr
MBA 650	Creating High Performance Organizations	2 cr
MBA 651	Leadership & Team Development	2 cr
MBA 652	Developing People	2 cr
MBA 670	Strategic Thinking & Action for a Changing World	2 cr
Electives		4 cr

Criteria for Admission Applicants must meet the admission requirements of the Graduate Division, which include:

- A BSN degree with a 3.0 GPA from an accredited nursing education program;
- Evidence of having completed an undergraduate research course and statistics course.
- Evidence of an Indiana registered nursing license.

International applicants must also have:

- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of at least 550 (paper version), 230 (computer-based), or Internet Based Test (TOEFL iBT) score of at least 80; minimum IELTS (International English Language Testing System)

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score of 6; CET score of 6, or an INTERLINK Language Center Level 5, or the equivalent for non-native English speakers;

- Satisfactory completion of the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS) examination or evidence of a National Council Licensure examination (NCLEX) License.

As part of the application process, students must provide:

- [Valparaiso University Graduate Application and Supplemental MSN/MBA Joint Degree Application](#);
- Two letters of recommendation;
- Certified transcripts of a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from an accredited nursing program;
- Results of the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) for admission to the MBA program;
- Application Fee: \$30 for U.S. citizens and \$50 for international applicants.

For more information about the MSN / MBA program To learn more about the Master of Science in Nursing program, visit the College of Nursing website at <http://www.valpo.edu/nursing/>.

To learn more about the Master of Business Administration program, visit the [Master of Business Administration website](#). Interested students should [request an application packet](#) from The Graduate School through our website or by e-mailing Graduate.School@valpo.edu.

Accreditations Valparaiso University College of Nursing is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Valparaiso University College of Business Administration is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate School of Business (AACSB).

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