

Accelerated RN to MSN Program

West Virginia Wesleyan College offers an accelerated pathway, the RN to MSN, which prepares advanced practice nurses in one of two concentrations: **Family Nurse Practitioner** or **Nursing Leadership**. This program of study, designed in response to the AACN position statement on degree completion for Registered Nurses, builds baccalaureate nursing content into the front-end of the program, providing a bridge to graduate study. Students will complete 20 credit hours of Bridge coursework (Year 0) and then matriculate into the MSN coursework appropriate to their chosen concentration of study. Depending on area of study, students will complete between 35 to 47 MSN credit hours of coursework. Coursework will be offered using online and hybrid learning methods. Some brief on-campus residencies are required. Practicum experiences will be arranged in students' home communities. Following completion of the FNP curricula, students may sit for the National Certification Examination as Family Nurse Practitioners (AANP or ANCC).

Candidates for Admission

Program Policies: All applicants will be considered individually by the Graduate Admission Committee. Once admitted, students must maintain an unencumbered WV RN license and a 3.0 GPA for all graduate work. Students will be admitted as a cohort group for Fall; admission is competitive to the program.

Each applicant will:

- Be a graduate of an accredited ADN program.
- Possess an unencumbered RN license.
- Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher in all previous college work
- Complete the application for graduate admission to available at: <https://ranunculus-endeive-ls8p.squarespace.com/take-action>
- Provide a personal statement of goals & objectives
- Provide official transcripts for all collegiate coursework
- Submit a current resume or curriculum vitae
- Submit three letters of professional reference, one of which is from a current supervisor or faculty member (employment or school related).
- Submit validation of an unencumbered RN license
- Demonstrate proficiency in English if a non-native English speaker by submitting scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
- As a result of changes in higher education, we are unable to accept students to our online/hybrid programs from the following states:
 - Alabama
 - Louisiana
 - New York
 - Tennessee
 - Washington
 - California

Faculty

Director of the School of Nursing, Director of the MSN & DNP Programs, Professor of Nursing

Susan B. Leight, EdD, APRN-BC, FNP, FAANP

Chairperson, BSN Program, Associate Professor

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Assistant Professors of Nursing

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Program of Study – RN to MSN – Family Nurse Practitioner - 68 Credit Hours

Year O Bridge Year	NURS 222 Health Assessment in Nursing Practice -- 3 hours NURS 440 Community and Population Health – 5 hours NURS 365 Research Inquiry in Nursing – 3 hours NURS 420 Leadership and Management in Health Systems – 2 hours NURS 450 Genetics, Genomics, and Emerging Trends in HC – 1 hour INDS Healthcare Ethics and Law – 3 hours INDS Arts and Humanities in Health – 3 hours
Total 20 hours	
MSN Core Courses: Total: 12 hours	NURS 555 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing Science – 3 hours NURS 563 Applied Data Analysis and Interpretation for Advanced Practice Nurses – 3 hours NURS 565 Advanced Nursing Research for Evidence-Based Practice – 3 hours NURS 570 Advanced Leadership and Health Policy in Complex Health Systems – 3 hours
Advanced Practice Nursing Courses Total: 9 hours	NURS 523 Human Diversity and Health Promotion for Advanced Practice Nursing – 3 hours NURS 551 Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nurses – 3 hours NURS 552 Pharmacology and Drug Therapy for Advanced Practice Nurses – 3 hours
Family Nurse Practitioner Specialty Coursework: 27 hours	NURS 520 Integrated Behavioral Health Care – 1 hour NURS 525 Advanced Health Assessment – 4 hours NURS 544 Primary Care of Families I (D) – 3 hours NURS 544L Primary Care of Families I Practicum (P) – 4 hours NURS 554 Primary Care of Families II (D) – 3 hours NURS 554L Primary Care of Families II Practicum (P) – 4 hours NURS 557 Primary Care of Families III (D) – 3 hours NURS 557L Primary Care of Families III Practicum (P) – 4 hours NURS 569 Advanced Practice Role Seminar – 1 hour

Program of Study – MSN in Nursing Leadership – 55 Credit Hours

Year O Bridge Year	NURS 222 Health Assessment in Nursing Practice -- 3 hours NURS 440 Community and Population Health – 5 hours NURS 365 Research Inquiry in Nursing – 3 hours NURS 420 Leadership and Management in Health Systems – 2 hours NURS 450 Genetics, Genomics, and Emerging Trends in HC – 1 hour INDS Healthcare Ethics and Law – 3 hours INDS Arts and Humanities in Health – 3 hours
Total 20 hours	
MSN Core Courses: Total: 12 hours	NURS 555 Theoretical Foundations for Nursing Science – 3 hours NURS 563 Applied Data Analysis and Interpretation for Advanced Practice Nurses – 3 hours NURS 565 Advanced Nursing Research for Evidence-Based Practice – 3 hours NURS 570 Advanced Leadership and Health Policy in Complex Health Systems – 3 hours
Advanced Practice Nursing Courses Total: 9 hours	NURS 523 Human Diversity and Health Promotion for Advanced Practice Nursing – 3 hours NURS 551 Pathophysiology for Advanced Practice Nurses – 3 hours NURS 552 Pharmacology and Drug Therapy for Advanced Practice Nurses – 3 hours
Nursing Leadership Specialty Coursework Total: 14 hours	BUSI 506 Healthcare Ethics – 3 hours NURS 545 Management of Diverse Human Resources in Healthcare and Nursing – 3 hours NURS 546 Financial Management in Complex Health Systems – 3 hours BUSI 631 Management Theory and Leadership in Organizations – 3 hours NURS 571L Nursing Leadership Practicum – 2 hours

Accreditation: West Virginia Wesleyan College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission, 30 North LaSalle Street - Suite 2400 Chicago, Illinois 60602 (800) 621-7440. The MSN Programs at West Virginia Wesleyan College are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (<http://www.ccneaccreditation.org>). The RN to MSN program is pursuing initial accreditation by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (<http://www.ccneaccreditation.org>). Applying for accreditation does not guarantee it will be granted.