

Program Description

The Nurse Educator option of the Graduate Nursing program at Loma Linda University is offered to prepare students for faculty positions in nursing education. It assumes that students have selected a clinical focus for which they will pursue further knowledge and experience in their graduate study along with preparation for teaching. The Nurse Educator option leads to a masters of science degree accredited by the California Board of Registered Nursing and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. The 54 units of course work build on the content of the baccalaureate degree and has a strong emphasis in advanced nursing theories, physiology, cultural and behavioral concepts, research, nursing issues and role development. The teaching-learning strand within the curriculum is on the development of advanced intellectual, clinical, leadership, and investigative skills.

Students may be admitted any term during the year, part-time study is available, and courses are offered to accommodate working nurses. The student will be encouraged to obtain certification in their clinical area as part of the evidence of clinical expertise for the faculty role.

Part-time option is also available. The program is offered in a hybrid format.

Program Length

2-3 years

Possible Careers

Clinical or classroom teaching in nursing education at colleges/universities

Application Deadlines

Quarter	Application Open	Priority Deadline	Final Deadline
Autumn of 2019	Sep 3, 2018	—	Jul 15, 2019
Winter of 2020	Dec 1, 2018	—	Aug 1, 2019
Spring of 2020	Apr 1, 2019	—	Nov 1, 2019

Admissions Requirements

- Baccalaureate degree in nursing from an accredited program
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0, both cumulative and in nursing courses
- Current RN license*
- Application with personal essay
- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- Official transcripts for all college credits
- Interview by faculty members in the School of Nursing
- One year of RN experience is required prior to entering clinical courses

Nursing (Nurse Educator: Adult and Gerontology), MS

- Nursing experience is preferred in the area of desired clinical option
- Each applicant's clinical experience will be individually evaluated.
- Health Science Reasoning Test**

* California RN license required before clinical courses

** Taken on site

Prerequisites

There are no specific prerequisites required. Please reference the Admission Requirements.

Expected Cost of Attendance

Academic Year

Year of Program:	Year 1	Year 2
Tuition	\$24,360	\$25,200
Fees	\$2,625	\$2,625
Books & Supplies	\$950	\$950
Instruments	—	—
Misc (e.g., Boards, Licensing exam, Uniforms)	—	—
Total	\$27,935	\$28,775

Notes

Expected costs for the academic year are based on full time attendance. From year to year, increases are anticipated consistent with inflation in the professional education sector.

Tuition/Fees is an estimation based on 3 quarters of an average of 6 units (2 classes per quarter). Living Expenses is calculated for financial aid purposes and is based on 3 quarters (9 months).

70-75% of LLU Nursing students receive financial aid

Estimated Living Expenses

Academic Year , off campus, with a roommate

Year of Program:	Year 1	Year 2
Months enrolled	9	9

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Year of Program:	Year 1	Year 2
Room & Board	\$11,655	\$11,655
Transportation	\$2,880	\$2,880
Personal Expenses	\$1,350	\$1,350

Notes

- Amounts are what a student can apply to borrow for the number of months shown in each academic year based on living off campus with a roommate and not with a relative.
- International students need to calculate 12 months of living expenses based on the numbers listed here.
- In general, to qualify for financial aid a student must be enrolled at least half time taking degree requirements. Half time is 6 units in a quarter for undergraduate programs and 4 units in a quarter for graduate programs.