Your Story Continues at McKendree University…

Nursing Degrees for Busy Adults

Why Choose the McKendree Experience?
At McKendree, our students are as diverse as the many degree programs and flexible formats we offer. Some are working professionals looking to take their career to new heights. Others are stay-at-home parents, active military personnel, or simply those who have decided it’s time to pursue their dream career. No matter what your story, McKendree is the perfect place to achieve an affordable, high-quality education with the support and convenience that puts your goals within reach.

Our Online Nursing Degree Programs
As a nurse, you know all about long hours, hectic schedules, and the meaning of self-sacrifice. It’s a tough job, but you’ve got the patience, determination, and heart to match it. At McKendree, we understand the unique qualities and needs of our nursing students, which is why we’ve shaped our degree programs to give you the education you deserve in a format that fits your busy lifestyle.

Accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, our bachelor’s and master’s programs are designed to give you everything you need to succeed in your chosen career path. All of our undergraduate and graduate programs in nursing are available online, so you can enjoy the benefits of individualized guidance from top-rated professors at any location. You’ll learn from faculty who will get to know you personally and walk with you every step of the way.

Outside of class, you’ll have the opportunity to gain experience working alongside healthcare executives and nurse leaders in the real world through practicums. For our nursing students, the McKendree experience means hands-on learning in a supportive campus environment dedicated to your success.

McKendree has been named a member of the Yellow Ribbon Program for its commitment to providing affordable, accelerated degree opportunities that meet the needs of our veterans and active duty military personnel.
Degree Offerings in Nursing

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing *(Online and cohort locations)*
- Master of Science in Nursing *(Online and cohort locations)*
- Master of Science in Nursing/Master of Business Administration - Dual Degree Program *(Online)*
- Doctor of Nursing Practice *(Online)*

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

With the growth of today's technology and medical advances, many hospitals are requiring their Registered Nurses to obtain a bachelor's degree in nursing. McKendree's RN to BSN program enables you to enhance your years of experience on the job with a solid foundation in all areas of nursing. You'll find new opportunities for advancement in a wider range of nursing positions, all while attending school on your own time.

The BSN can be completed in as few as five semesters. Two practicum experiences give you firsthand knowledge of community health and leadership careers and introduce you to current professionals in the field. This practicum can be completed with your current employer. Take advantage of our high-quality nursing curriculum, experienced faculty, and affordable tuition when you sign up for the BSN program today!

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)

McKendree’s MSN degree gives you the power to steer your career in the direction you want to go. Set your sights on an area of interest within the healthcare field, and we’ll provide you with the skills to make your goals a reality. Our expert nursing faculty blend theory, case studies, and practicum experiences (which can be completed with your current employer) to guide you through real-world applications in healthcare. Earn your online MSN in as few as five semesters or take advantage of our part-time option for fewer courses at once.

The MSN offers three degree tracks to choose from, each giving you a strong background in the specific nursing field you desire.

- Nurse Educator Track: Designed for those interested in teaching their fellow nurses and/or patients in hospitals, clinics, or community colleges.
- Nurse Manager/Administration Track: Trains you for a leadership position in nursing, such as a chief nurse executive, unit director, or director of nursing.
- Population Health Track: Enables you to provide holistic care to patients who are seriously or terminally ill in hospice, home health, or hospital settings.

Master of Science in Nursing/Master of Business Administration (MSN/MBA) - Dual Degree Program

Earn two degrees at once and set yourself apart with a skill set that includes the business side of nurse management. Today's healthcare organizations are looking for nurse administrators who have the financial leadership experience to go along with their medical background. Our MSN/MBA program will prepare you for such job opportunities as chief executive officer, chief operating officer, and chief nurse executive within the healthcare field.

This 60-credit hour degree program is available online with different course load options to fit your schedule. From landing management jobs to starting your own healthcare business, come discover what opportunities await you when you earn both your MSN/MBA degrees from McKendree.

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

If you're a leader in nursing with the drive to bring positive change to patient care, you'll find everything you need in our doctor of nursing practice degree. The DNP in ethical leadership is a 30-credit hour, online program designed to empower you with the knowledge and skills to address today's healthcare issues. From patient care accessibility to the information systems that run the medical industry, you'll learn how you can make a meaningful difference through leadership.

Our DNP program supplements online coursework with clinical practicums, as well as two on-campus immersion experiences. Your faculty advisor will personally guide you through the development of your culminating research project, in which you present practical, informed solutions for a healthcare issue you're passionate about. Learn what a difference the DNP can make in your life and so many others today.

How to Get Started

Are you ready to continue your story and take the first step toward your new degree? Give us a call at 1-800-BEARCAT, ext. 6576, or go to apply.mckendree.edu to discuss what your McKendree experience will look like. If you’re interested in our Kentucky programs, please call us at (270) 351-5003 or email us at kentuckyadmissions@mckendree.edu.

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