## Admission

In addition to the general university requirements for admission to graduate studies (see the Admission to Graduate Study section for full details), the School of Nursing requires:

1. A bachelor’s degree with a major in nursing from a nationally accredited (NLN or CCNE) school;
2. Admission to the Graduate School at Wichita State University;
3. A cumulative grade point average of 3.000 or higher in the following area: the last 60 hours of nursing undergraduate coursework;
4. School of Nursing approval;
5. Coverage by professional and general liability insurance, in effect during practicums, in the minimum amount of $1/3 million individual/aggregate for each, individual/aggregate, to be renewed annually;
6. One year of nursing practice following professional licensure is highly recommended but not required;
7. Computer literacy and electronic database literature searching skills;
8. A background check is required. The School of Nursing can provide details for obtaining the background check;
9. Evidence of meeting the technical standards as identified by the School of Nursing graduate program;
10. Evidence of registered nurse licensure in the state for which they practice. WSU is accepting applications from anyone living in the state of Kansas, and the number of states from which WSU is authorized to admit is rapidly increasing. Check with WSU's Office of Online Learning (http://wichita.edu/online/) to see if WSU is approved to provide distance education in a specific state;
11. One application must be submitted to the Graduate School. The application must be submitted by May 1 (fall admission only).

## Program Requirements

All students must identify their concentration through the school of nursing admission process and take all required courses with a minimum total of 36 credit hours for leadership/administration, and a minimum of 37 credit hours for education MSN degrees. Students wishing to complete a project or thesis will be required to enroll in a minimum of 3-6 project hours or 6 thesis hours in addition to the courses listed below.

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Select one graduate level statistics course 3

| Elective (PHS 833 or other course collaboratively decided on with advisor) | 3 |

## Total Credit Hours

36

Please contact the nursing graduate program office for the most recent information regarding curriculum.

### Applied Learning

Students in the MSN nursing leadership and administration program are required to complete an applied learning or research experience to graduate from the program. The requirement can be met by completing all coursework culminating with NURS 812.