

THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

Graduate Programs in Nursing

Our master's in nursing programs and post-master's certificate programs prepare advanced nurses to be successful, ethical, and visionary leaders in a multicultural and highly technological world. The curriculum builds on the nursing and scientific knowledge base of the baccalaureate-prepared nurse and focuses on advanced decision-making and critical-thinking skills. Graduates are prepared to accurately assess the health and illness experiences of individuals, families, health systems and school-age children, and neonates. They are able to develop health interventions and to evaluate the outcomes. Graduates are also prepared for and eligible to apply for doctoral study. The nursing programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

The Master of Science in Nursing offers registered professional nurses an advanced program of study with specializations in the roles of family nurse practitioner, adult nurse practitioner, neonatal nurse practitioner, clinical nurse leader, and school nurse. Current credit requirements range from 34 to 47 depending on specialty.

Post-master's certificates are offered with specializations in the roles of family nurse practitioner and adult nurse practitioner. In addition, practicing MSN-prepared nurse practitioners with certification in adult primary care, pediatrics, or women's health may complete a post-master's family nurse practitioner's certificate that efficiently prepares them to expand their scope of practice. Current credit requirements range from 13 to 38 depending on entry level and specialty.

Our Bridge to the MSN Program allows registered nurses with baccalaureate degrees in other fields to enroll in our graduate nursing programs without completion of a nursing baccalaureate. This program requires four undergraduate course units in addition to graduate program requirements.

We offer two post BSN certificate programs for school nurses. The Department of Education in the state of New Jersey has approved these programs as meeting its requirement for the Non-Instructional School Nurse and the Instructional School Nurse.

TCNJ is a highly competitive, mid-sized institution that has achieved national distinction for its commitment to excellence.

- U.S. News and World Report ranks TCNJ the number one public school in the standings among both public and private institutions in its category. TCNJ is one of only two public schools in the top 10, and has topped the list since the ranking's inception in 1993.
- TCNJ is ranked as one of the "Most Competitive" schools in the nation in Barron's Guide to the Most Competitive Colleges.
- One of the country's 50 "Best Value" public colleges, according to The Princeton Review Best Value Colleges for 2011.
- TCNJ is among the nation's 310 best and most interesting schools in the 2012 Fiske Guide to Colleges.

Visit our Web site at www.tcnj.edu/~nursing.

"My academic experience in the graduate nursing program at TCNJ has been tremendous. The collegial atmosphere of learning helps bridge academia to practice. And the beautiful and easily accessible campus is a bonus."

—Kathleen Seneca, BSN, MSN
Student, Class of 2007



Faculty

Faculty are experienced nurse educators, dedicated scholars, and expert clinicians who are certified in their nursing specialties. They are dedicated to fostering an atmosphere where students are encouraged to develop advanced knowledge and skills and to reach their potential as leaders in the nursing field.

Faculty Scholarship and Clinical Practice Interests

- Adolescent Health
- Adult Health
- Chronic Illness
- Complexity Science
- Family Health
- Gerontology
- HIV and AIDS Care and Prevention
- Leadership in Nursing
- Occupational Health
- Child Health
- Women's Health
- School Nursing



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PROGRAM OFFERINGS

MASTER'S IN NURSING

- Adult Nurse Practitioner
- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner
- Clinical Nurse Leader
- School Nurse

POST-MASTER'S CERTIFICATES

- Adult Nurse Practitioner
- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Family Nurse Practitioner for Specialty NPs

OTHER

- Bridge to the MSN for RNs with a non-nursing baccalaureate degree
- Post-BSN Non-Instructional & Instructional School Nurse Certificate



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“As I completed the final phase of my doctoral program, I thought about the mentors and people who have helped me along the way. The faculty at TCNJ are among those special people. The NP program at TCNJ prepared me well for practice and this next academic step.”

—Valerie Layne, DNP, RN, APRN, BC



A Graduate Bulletin, program information, and application can be obtained by visiting the graduate studies Web site, www.tcnj.edu/graduate.

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