



ACNL Webinar
Lifelong Learning:
The Journey to Your Next Degree

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Welcome and Introductions



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Lifelong Learning: The Journey to Your Next Degree





AGENDA

Thinking about going back to school online?

- What's your WHY?
- Considerations
- Supports for online students

Overview of SNHU

- Programs
- Admissions/Calendar/Credit
- Tuition

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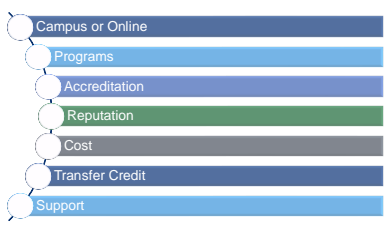
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WHATS YOUR WHY?

- Quest for knowledge
- Career advancement
- Seeking a leadership role
- Specialization opportunities
- Teaching opportunities
- Increased earning potential
- Personal fulfillment


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Which School?



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SUPPORT FOR RETURNING GRADUATE STUDENTS?

- Streamlined admissions process
- Support: advising, career, tutoring
- Technical Support
- Software programs/tools to further enhance online learning
- E-Books, E-Rentals (saves money)
- Flexibility
- Online communities/clubs

Southern New Hampshire University




Southern New Hampshire University


Founded 1932
Private, Non Profit

- Online | On-Campus
- Affordable, Flexible
- 200+ Online Programs
- 90,000+ Online Students



PROGRAMS (200+)	
NURSING	LEADERSHIP
RN-BSN, RN-MSN MSN • Generalist • Clinical Nurse Leader • Patient Safety & Quality • Nurse Educator Graduate Certificate in Patient Safety & Quality	MBA (25+ concentration areas) MS Healthcare Administration MS Organizational Leadership MS Operations & Project Management Master of Public Health

 The Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Nursing programs at Southern New Hampshire University are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). <http://www.aacnursing.org/ccne/accreditation>

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Admissions/Calendar/Credit

- Rolling admissions**
 - Students can start during any of the 6 UG or 5 GR terms
- Academic Calendar**
 - UG: 6, 8-week terms per year
 - GR: 5, 10-week terms per year
- Credit**
 - Transfer up to 90...undergrad
 - Transfer up to 6...graduate




SNHU Tuition

Level	Standard	10%	25%-30%
UG	\$960 (\$320)	\$864 (\$288)	\$675 (\$225)
GR	\$1,881 (\$627)	\$1,693 (\$564.33)	\$1,410 (\$470)

*10% for ACNL members and immediate family members
 *25-30% (GR/UG) for active duty military and spouse





Ready to Start: www.snhu.edu/healthpartners

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Navigating Online

What should potential students ask Admissions?

- What are the requirements for the program and do I meet those requirements?
- What kind of Institutional Approvals and Accreditation does the University or Program have?
- What are the practicum requirements and when should I plan to take those courses?
- What degree of effort will I need to make to prepare for and find a site for myself?
- Are there synchronous requirements? (attend an online lecture at a specific time) or is the program asynchronous (work on your own pace to submit assignments when they're due)?
- Is there group work?
Am I comfortable working in groups?



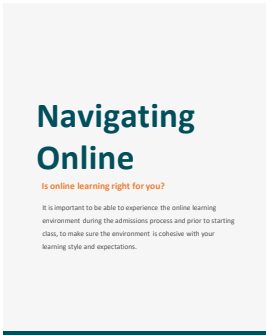


Navigating Online

Technology

- What are the technology requirements?
For my PC, laptop, cell phone and tablet?
- Are there video assignments and lectures?
Do I need a webcam?
- What about tests and quizzes?
Are they proctored?
- Does the program use eBooks?
Is there an option for a printed book?



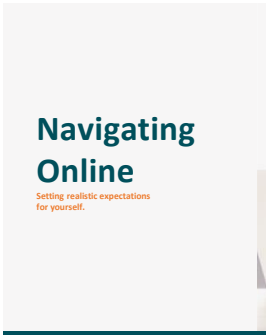


Navigating Online

Is online learning right for you?

It is important to be able to experience the online learning environment during the admissions process and prior to starting class, to make sure the environment is cohesive with your learning style and expectations.





Navigating Online

Setting realistic expectations for yourself.

Life, School & Work Balance

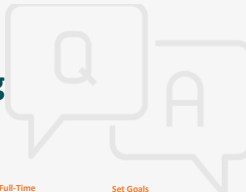
There needs to be a balance between work and family time while taking online classes.

Consider how you will manage time for:

- 1 Family, friends, your health, socializing, job promotions, schedule changes, chores and personal fun.
- 2 What are your future goals? Including your career, school, pregnancy, marriage, etc.
- 3 How many hours dedicated to schoolwork per week will I need to be successful?



Navigating Online



Full-Time or Part-Time?

- Which option is best for your schedule/current life style – full time or part time?
- RN to BSN or RN to MSN?

Does Full-Time Fit Your Schedule?

- Do you have time to be in school full time without a break?
- Set proper expectations for yourself.

Set Goals for Success

- Self-motivation and discipline are essential qualities in having a successful online experience.
- Set goals and create a path to attain them!

Good Writing Skills are Essential

- Brush-up on writing and editing skills!

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Time management

Nurses are hard on themselves. It is important to seek help from faculty, classmates and university resources when coursework appears difficult or beyond your capacity. Don't be afraid to ask questions or create study groups. Don't stop because you failed one assignment or one course!

Tips for Success:

- Plan ahead!
- Plan your weeks, know when big assignments are due.
- Print your term schedule, know when your clinical courses are coming.
- Put your big personal, professional commitments AND your school calendar in the same place to see conflicts before they happen.



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Communication with your support team

1

Admissions Advisor

Your admissions advisor will be your guide and good ones will be there for you long after your first day of class.

2

Student Success Advisor

Know your student success advisor, most schools offer dedicated advisors to help you once you completed your admissions process.

3

Faculty

Don't only rely on your advisor. It's important to communicate with your faculty, especially if you're struggling. Don't be shy!

4

Support Network


Your faculty are nurses, professionals, and above all, human... they've most likely gone through similar struggles.

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Who is WCU?

History
For over 100 years, WCU has provided a foundation for healthcare professionals.

Online or On Campus
The healthcare degree programs at WCU focus on the advancement of healthcare in the communities we serve, and around the world.



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Who Is WCU?

Over 100 years in healthcare

Comprehensive Education
At WCU, our classes address the wide range of challenges and issues facing facilities and professionals, as they seek to provide the highest quality of care to individuals, families, and communities.

Faculty Led by Healthcare Experts
Our diverse faculty includes instructors with real-world experience, from multiple disciplines and backgrounds. As you master new skills, you'll learn to apply knowledge from various scientific fields, and deliver the highest quality of care possible using evidence-based research.

Support
We provide a wide variety of student resources and support services, including access to one-on-one support from a designated Student Success Advisor and a no-cost tutoring and writing center.



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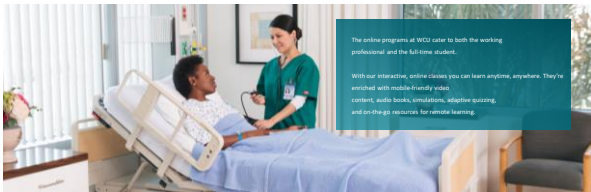
Career Planning
Experienced Career Service Coordinators guide you as you build your resume, prepare for interviews, and gain real-world experience.

Health Services Partner Grant
As an ACNL member, you may qualify for up to a 20% Health Services Partner Grant!

Accreditation
WCU is institutionally accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and all of our nursing programs are programmatically accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).²



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The online programs at WCU cater to both the working professional and the full-time student.


With our interactive, online courses you can learn anytime, anywhere. They're enriched with multimedia content, video links, simulations, interactive quizzing, and on-the-go resources for remote learning.

RN to BSN Degree

12 Month Undergraduate Program

If you are currently an RN, you can complete your Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) online in as little as 12 months.






RN to MSN & MSN Degrees

Master of Science Programs

Build upon prior clinical knowledge by advancing your degree!

Tracks Available:

- Advanced Generalist
- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Nurse Educator
- Nurse Informatics
- Nurse Leader






Post Master's Certificates

Do you already have your Master's Degree?

Strengthen or broaden your clinical skills with these certificate programs:

- Post Master's Nurse Educator Certificate
- Post Master's Nurse Leader Certificate
- Post Master's Nurse Informatics Certificate
- Post Master's Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Certificate






MHA

Master of Health Administration

West Coast University's MHA Program is a managerial program with a health care industry focus.

Earn your MHA Degree in as little as 12 months, 100% online.




MPH

Master of Public Health

The degree that prepares you to make a real impact on the health and safety of your community.

Earn your MPH Degree in as little as 12 months, 100% online.

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Online Programs

<p>Undergraduate Degree</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RN to BSN 	<p>RN to MSN & MSN Degrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Generalist • Nurse Educator • Nurse Leader • Nurse Informatics • Family Nurse Practitioner 	<p>Post-Master Graduate Degrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-Master's Nurse Educator Certificate • Post-Master's Nurse Leader Certificate • Post-Master's Nurse Informatics Certificate • Post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Certificate
<p>MPH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Public Health 	<p>MHA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Health Administration 	

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Financial Considerations

- Tuition costs
- Your Career
- More Job Opportunities
- Potential for Larger Salary
- Time Considerations
- Options for paying

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Financial Considerations

- Visit or contact the financial aid office
 - Free Application for Federal Student Aid – www.fafsa.gov
 - Federal Loans
 - Scholarships – www.fastweb.com; ACNL
- Private loans
- Grants
- Tax breaks - talk with your financial planner
- 529 plan – If you have opened 529 plans for any of your children or grandchildren and there is money left over, you can change the beneficiary to yourself and use that money for your own education expenses.
- Employer-provided educational assistance

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**Concordia University Irvine
Nursing**



Nursing at Concordia University Irvine


- Concordia University's Nursing Program is a contemporary, comprehensive program that has been uniquely designed so that students learn the necessary knowledge and advanced skills to provide excellence in *caring, compassionate, and competent* nursing care.
 - Christian institution
 - The curriculum is designed around [Dr. Jean Watson's philosophy of caring in nursing](#).

Accreditation

- Concordia University Irvine is approved by The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC)
- **Accelerated Bachelors of Science in Nursing**
 - CA Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) and Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)
- **RN to BSN**
 - CCNE
- **MSN**
 - CCNE
- **MHA**
 - ACS WASC
 - Applying for Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education certification

MSN


- **Emphasis on**
 - Nursing Leadership track
 - Focuses on the advancement of healthcare delivery in the clinical setting
 - Nursing Education track
 - Prepares students to teach undergraduate nursing students in a variety of specialty content/clinical practice areas and to become an advanced nurse educator in the clinical setting.
- **Blended Learning Model**
 - blended format of online and classroom instruction
- **Length of program: 15 – 20 months taking two 8-week courses at a time**
- **Total number of MSN units: 44**



Tuition and Fees 2018 - 2019


Nursing Tuition	Fall '18 / Spring '19
Application Fee (Non-Refundable)	\$50
International Application Processing Fee	\$150
Graduation Fee	\$184
Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN)	\$600/Unit (Total \$26,400)
Student Service Fee (MSN)	\$25/year
Shadow Virtual Classroom	\$100/year
Health Assessment Fee	\$100/year

Currently offering a \$6000 individual, non-competitive scholarship



RN to BSN

- **Flexibility**
 - online or a blend of online and on-campus courses.
 - 7-week courses
 - The program can be completed in **as little as twelve months full-time**, or approximately two years part-time.
- **Strong educational foundation.**
 - Eligible for Public Health Certification upon completion of program.
 - **Challenging curriculum** and appropriate clinical exposure throughout the RN to BSN program lays the foundation to pursue a **Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)** degree.
 - Community health and leadership clinical practicum
- **Dual enrollment.**
 - Eligible to take up to 9 units after second semester of ADN program
- **Value**
 - Pay per unit (\$490 x 40 units = \$19,600)
 - \$4000 Excellence in Nursing Scholarship
 - Tuition approximately \$15,600 after scholarship award



ABSN

- **Second degree Bachelor Degree**
- **15 month Accelerated program**
 - Full time, on campus
 - 59 units
 - 765 hours in clinical settings
- **High NCLEX Pass Rate**
 - 90%-100%
- **Personal Attention**
 - Small class sizes
- **Value**
 - \$750 per unit; \$50,000 - \$52,000
 - Financial Aid available

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Healthcare Degrees

- **Bachelor's in Healthcare Management**
 - Online program
 - Good for individuals who have an Associate Degree (Respiratory Care Practitioners, Imaging Technicians, etc)
 - \$520 per unit; Total of 45 units.
 - Cost of Tuition - \$23,400
- **Master of Healthcare Administration**
 - Online program
 - Project based, leadership oriented
 - 1 course at a time/24 months to complete
 - \$615 per unit/ Total of 36 units
 - Cost of Tuition - \$21,960

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Thank You!



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Questions?



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Wrap Up of Today's Webinar

- Final Questions
- Evaluation
- Access to webinar recording

Thank You for Participating!

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