

RN to MSN

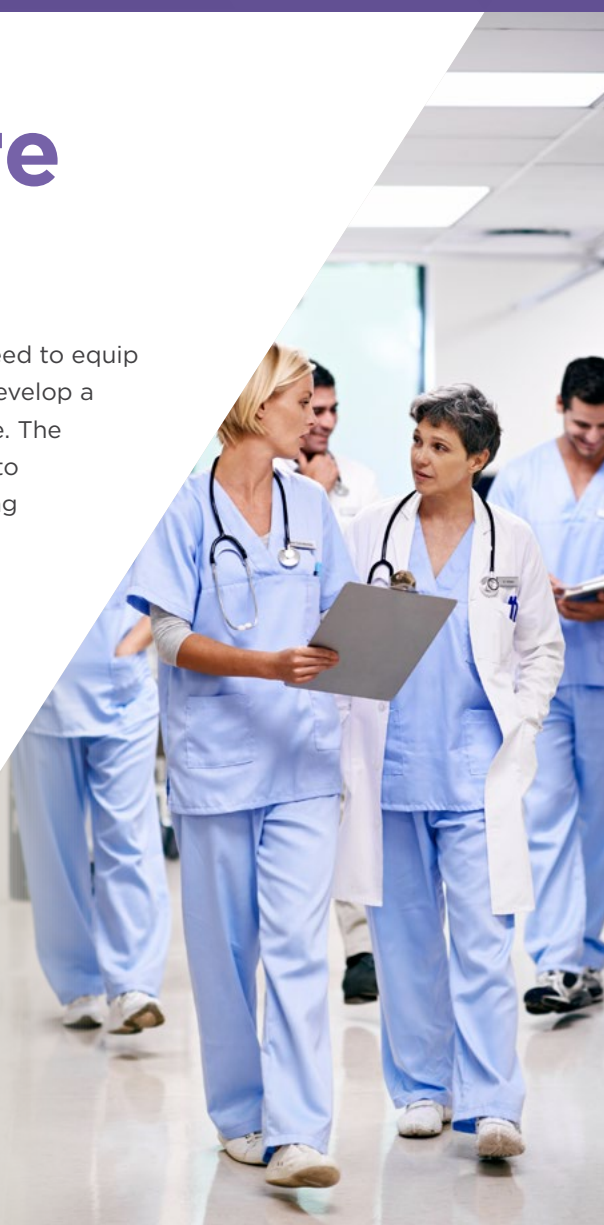
Educator Track

Be the future of nursing

The national shortage of nurses has created a need to equip nurse educators with the skills needed to help develop a workforce capable of providing safe, quality care. The RN-MSN Educator Track is for nurses who want to expand their opportunities to educate the nursing workforce in the clinical or academic setting. Chatham's RN-MSN track allows students to do this while saving time and money:

- Complete your BSN and MSN degrees through 47 credits compared to 59 if taking the programs separately—a savings of over \$10,000.
- You'll save one term as a full-time student, and two as a part-time student.

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The RN to MSN Educator Track is a program within Chatham University's **SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES**. The School of Health Sciences has developed a strong reputation for its sought-after healthcare professionals. From high licensure or board pass rates to advanced clinical aptitude, our graduates enter or advance their careers ready to meet the needs of patients and clients, and contribute to improving the quality of care their organizations deliver.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Program is delivered fully online, with working nurses in mind
- Small classes taught by passionate, dedicated faculty
- Emphasis on learning innovative teaching strategies and discipline specific pedagogy

SAMPLE COURSES

NUR 632 Curriculum Design & Evaluation in Nursing Education

This course focuses on the processes of curriculum development and evaluation that are critical responsibilities of nurse educators in schools of nursing, patient education programs, or staff development. Course goals include how the curriculum provides guidelines for program delivery and methods for evaluating program effectiveness. Major theories and concepts that relate to curriculum development are discussed in relationship to the mission and philosophy of specific educational programs.

NUR 642 Professional Role and Responsibility of the Nurse Educator

The professional role and responsibility of the nurse educator course focuses on diverse roles and practice environments experienced by nurse educators. The course will provide novice and experienced nurse educators with guidelines for practice in classroom, clinical, staff development, and various educational settings. Academic and institutional policies, protocols, and legal aspects of education will be explored.

NUR 652 Teaching Strategies and Information Technology for the Nurse Educator

This course focuses on strategies to develop knowledge and skill sets in pedagogy, teaching-learning theories, testing and measurement, and various educational technologies. An in-depth introduction to information technology that supports practice and improves patient care and outcomes is explored.

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OUTCOMES

Graduates of Chatham's MSN program have held positions in clinical leadership, nursing education, and practice at organizations including:

- The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- Carlow University, Pittsburgh, PA
- UPMC Shadyside School of Nursing, Pittsburgh, PA
- Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Pittsburgh, PA
- Homecare Sustainability Solutions, Pittsburgh, PA
- UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside
- Ellwood City Hospital, Ellwood City, PA
- UPMC Hillman Cancer Center
- Gateway Health Plan, Pittsburgh, PA

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- The AfterCollege/AACN Scholarships support students who are seeking a baccalaureate, masters or doctoral degree in nursing. Eight \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded throughout the year. The application deadlines are January 31, April 30, July 31, and October 31.
- A limited number of nursing scholarships may be available. A FAFSA form must be completed and on file to be considered for the scholarship. To fill out the FAFSA, please visit www.fafsa.ed.gov (school code: 003244).

“National nursing organizations, such as the National League of Nursing and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, have stated that nurses planning a career in education should enroll in programs that provide discipline-specific pedagogy. Here at Chatham, we’re excited to offer more options for those interested in nursing education.”

— **DIANE HUNKER, PH.D., MBA, RN**, *nursing programs*
director and associate professor

LEARN MORE

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete free online application
- Copy of official transcripts of all completed college level coursework from all schools attended with proof of completion of an RN degree (associate or diploma) with a minimum 3.0 GPA
- Proof of active, unencumbered RN license in your state
- Current resume/curriculum vitae
- Admissions essay to be mailed or e-mailed as a Word document to GradAdmission@chatham.edu

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Apply by August 1 to start the program in the fall.

▶ **Apply online at apply.chatham.edu/ccps**
