

## **Nursing Degree (NU) and (NUE) (selective)**

Registered nurses (RNs) work to promote health, prevent disease, and help patients cope with illness. They are advocates and health educators for patients, families, and communities. MWCC Nursing graduates have historically achieved a high passing rate on the National Council Licensure Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) and have been successful in obtaining employment. The program is approved by the Massachusetts Board of Nursing and accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission: NLNAC; 343 Peachtree Road, NE, Suite 500, Atlanta, GA 30326 (800) 669-1656, ext. 153 or website [www.nlnac.org](http://www.nlnac.org)

**Application deadline:** The application deadline is **February 1**. This selective enrollment program requires additional application components. The selection process is competitive and space is limited. (See pages 19-20 of the college catalog.)

**Requirements for consideration:** Applicants must meet certain academic standards. See pages 19-20 of the college catalog for specific details, or refer to the program application available on our website or through the admissions office.

Number	Suggested Course Order	Cr	Semester	Grade	Prerequisites/Notes
BIO203	Anatomy and Physiology I*	4			ENG100, RDG100, or placement
ENG101	English Composition I*	3			<b>Prerequisite:</b> ENG100, RDG100, or placement <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application <b>Note:</b> Students must earn a C+ or better
NUR111	Foundations of Nursing	7			<b>Prerequisites:</b> MAT126 or placement <b>Co-requisites:</b> BIO203, Eng101, PSY105
PSY105	Introduction to Psychology*	3			<b>Prerequisite:</b> ENG100, RDG100, or placement <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application
BIO204	Anatomy and Physiology II*	4			BIO203 <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application
BIO205	Microbiology*	4			BIO109 or BIO115 or BIO203 <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application
NUR113	Nursing Care of Children and Family	4			NUR111; <b>Co-requisites:</b> BIO204, BI205, PSY110
NUR114	Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family	4			NUR111; <b>Co-requisites:</b> BIO204, BI205, PSY110
PSY110	Human Growth and Development*	3			<b>Prerequisite:</b> PSY105 <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application
ENG102	English Composition II*	3			<b>Prerequisite:</b> ENG101 <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application
NUR220	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part I	6			NUR113, NUR114, BIO204, BIO205; PSY110; <b>Co-requisites:</b> ENG102, NUR230, SOC103
NUR230	Psychiatric Nursing	4			NUR113, NUR114, BIO204, BIO205; PSY110; <b>Co-requisites:</b> ENG102, NUR220, SOC103
SOC103	Introduction to Sociology*	3			<b>Prerequisite:</b> ENG100, RDG100, or placement <b>Note:</b> Recommended completion prior to program application
NUR204	Trends in Nursing	3			NUR220, NUR230, SOC103, ENG102; <b>Co-requisites:</b> PER126/130, NUR222, Humanities or Business elective
NUR222	Medical Surgical Nursing, Part II	10			NUR220, NUR230, SOC103, ENG102, PER126; <b>Co-requisites:</b> PER126/130, NUR024, Humanities or Business elective
PER126/130	Health, Fitness, and Wellness Elective	2/3			<b>Prerequisite:</b> MAT092, RDG100, or placement <b>Note:</b> PER130 is recommended for transfer
	Humanities or Business Elective*	3			<b>Note:</b> Must be taken prior to or concurrently with NUR 204 & 222 <b>Bus. Electives:</b> ACC, BSS, BUS, CIS, ECO, MAS, MGT, MKT, PLS or <b>Hum. Electives:</b> ART, ASL, ENG, HUM, MUS, PHL, SPA, THE <b>Note:</b> Preferred electives include HUM212, CIS127 or MAS102
<b>Total: 70/71 credits</b>					

See page 140 of the college catalog for program competencies and technical standards.

**Campus/format:** This program is selective and can be completed during the day or evening at the Gardner Campus.

**Helpful hints:** Because of an extensive classroom/clinical commitment, students are encouraged to complete some of the general education requirements prior to beginning nursing courses.

**Transfer options:** An online transfer agreement exists with Drexel University. Transfer agreements exist with Charter Oak State College, Fitchburg and Framingham State, UMASS Lowell, the University of Phoenix, and New England College (Nursing and Healthcare Administration online program). Other popular transfer choices include Anna Maria, Emmanuel, and UMASS Amherst (online program only). Students should obtain information on the program they wish to transfer into to determine if MWCC courses will be accepted as transfer credit. Visit MWCC's transfer planning services website: <http://transfer.mwcc.edu>.

3 Plus ONE eligible—go to: [www.mwcc.edu/3PlusONE](http://www.mwcc.edu/3PlusONE)

**Special requirements:** Applicants must meet all requirements for consideration before entering the program. Admitted students must meet technical standards and additional requirements including immunizations, CPR certification, liability insurance, health insurance, and a Criminal/Sexual Offender Records Information (CORI/SORI) check (see page 21). Drug testing may be mandatory at some clinical sites. Additional tuition applies for the evening Nursing program (see page 23).

**Please Note:** All BIO, MAT (prerequisite), and NUR courses require a grade of C+ to be eligible for promotion to the next level. Also, BIO203, 204, and 205 credits cannot be more than five years old. Applicants currently working in a health care field can petition to lengthen the time to ten years (see page 20).

**Career options:** RNs in hospitals, sub acute units, extended care facilities, medical offices, rehabilitation centers, and home care.

**Earning potential:** \$56,578 to \$67,599 per year.

\*These courses must be taken concurrently or prior to the nursing courses specified for that particular semester.