POST-MASTER’S CERTIFICATE IN NURSING EDUCATION

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Overview
The certificate program responds to the rapidly growing need for professional nurses who have specialty education in teaching methods and curriculum. It is intended for nurses who hold a master’s degree in nursing, hold a doctoral degree, or are matriculated in a doctoral program. The courses emphasize teaching/learning principles, curriculum and instruction, and evaluation research in higher education.

The 11-credit Post-Master’s certificate in nursing education provides MS-prepared nurses with the knowledge and skills necessary to function in the role of the nurse educator. Those who complete the certificate and experiential requirements are eligible to sit for the national certification examination for nurse educators.

Admissions Requirements
The following items are required to apply to the certificate program:

- Master of Science in Nursing degree from a regionally accredited institution
- Grade point average of 2.75 or higher
- Active, unencumbered RN license in the state you would like to complete practicum hours
- Two professional references
- Career essay

For more information, please visit https://online.worcester.edu/programs/post-masters-certificate-nurse-education/

Items Needed to Apply:
- Online application found at www.worcester.edu/apply
- Essay explaining reason for pursuing this certificate program
- Application fee
- Two professional references (name, title, phone and professional email)
- Official transcripts from ALL colleges and universities attended showing a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. Applicants with a GPA between 2.5 and 2.75 would be considered “exception” cases and would go to the graduate program coordinator for consideration/recommendation.
- Official transcript evaluation for any transcript from outside the United States
- An English language proficiency test if the student’s academic background is not in English
- Evidence of an unencumbered, unexpired nursing license from one of the following states: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, or New York. Applicant’s nursing license must be valid in the state in which the student will complete practicum hours.

Required Courses

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Please note: Students are not able to transfer in courses to complete this certificate.

Admissions Requirements
- Online Application ($50 fee)
- Career Plan Essay
- Two Professional References (Name, Title, Phone and Professional Email)
- Official Undergraduate and Graduate transcripts from each institution where college credit was earned. Minimum GPA 2.75.
- Applicants with a GPA between 2.5 and 2.75 would be considered “exception” cases and would go to the Graduate Program Coordinator for consideration/recommendation.
- Applicants must possess an active, unencumbered RN license (Note: applicant must have an active and unencumbered RN license in the state in which the student will complete the practicum hours). Verified through state website or NURSYS with verification scanned to applicant file.