

Kirkhof College of Nursing Graduate Program Admission Procedure and Criteria

DEGREES OFFERED

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) — advanced generalist

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) — advanced clinical or administrative practice

APPLICATION PROCESS

February 1: Application deadline (application, transcripts, CV or resume, goal statement)

April 15: Applicants informed of decision

May 15: Applicants formally accept in writing via email or letter

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The admission process and acceptance into the KCON graduate programs is highly competitive. Applicants will be required to submit:

1. GVSU graduate application.
www.gvsu.edu/admissions/graduate/apply
2. Transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate programs that verify completion of baccalaureate and/or master's program(s) in nursing from CCNE- or NLN-accredited schools. GPA will be calculated using all college coursework. 3.0/4.0 is required.
3. Current curriculum vitae or résumé.

4. GRE scores (documentation required). In general, GRE scores for the successful applicant are 500 for both verbal and quantitative scales, and 4.0 for analytical writing.

The GRE requirement will be waived for post-BSN applicants who have an undergraduate nursing GPA of 3.3 and higher and for post-MSN applicants who have a graduate GPA of 3.3 and higher.

5. Educational and professional goal statement. Statement must articulate an area of focus (advanced generalist, advanced clinical, or administrative practice) and describe how attaining a graduate nursing degree will facilitate goal achievement. Statement should be approximately two typed, double-spaced pages.
6. Scholarly writing sample will be solicited during a designated time (February/March) on a specified topic. Applicants will submit this electronically as directed.
7. Interview with KCON faculty.
8. TOEFL score (for international students only).

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Full admission is contingent on the following:

1. Current licensure to practice in Michigan
2. Successful completion of a required criminal background check and drug screen
3. Compliance with health record, immunization, and other KCON graduate program requirements.

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