Online Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN) in Infection Prevention

Loyola University Chicago offers the nation’s first accredited program to prepare nurses at the Master’s level in the specialty area of Infection Prevention. As a Jesuit University, Loyola is committed to excellence in education, patient care, and social justice.

The need for well-educated nurses to meet the challenges of health care associated infections, patient safety, and emerging infections has never been greater. Course work and clinical practica prepare graduates to be expert IP practitioners, collaborative team members, and change champions. Graduates assume leadership roles that are population focused, evidence-based, and enhance health care quality and safety.

Laura Bardowski, MSN, CIC, and Anna O’Donnell, MSN, CIC

We are among the first Loyola IP graduates and went through the program together. The courses are challenging but focused on what you need to know to be an effective infection prevention leader. Faculty and fellow students are enthusiastic and supportive. We have both moved forward in our careers and believe an MSN in Infection Prevention from Loyola is one of the best things we have ever done.

PROGRAM

• Well-established, fully accredited, nationally-ranked graduate nursing program with expert faculty
• Post-BSN to Masters in 41 semester hours
• Community of Scholars developed through online courses, individualized practicum experiences, and expert mentorship
• Graduates have the knowledge and skills to take the examination to be Certified in Infection Control (CIC) offered by the Association of Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology
• Clinical practica with expert mentors and faculty supervision arranged where students live and work
• Coursework in epidemiology, immunology, research, methods for infection prevention, and public health, as well as leadership/management, informatics, finance, and outcomes performance management
• Interdisciplinary coursework and clinical practicums encouraged with Loyola’s Nutrition, Medical, MPH, Business, and Social Work students
• Opportunities to work with diverse populations and underserved groups to meet social justice objectives.

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POST BSN CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS

This post-BSN Master's program requires 41 semester hours (SH) of coursework.

Infection Prevention MSN Courses:
Two courses each Fall, Spring, and Summer Semester

MSN DEGREE NURSING CORE COURSES
Concepts in Theories in Nursing (GNUR 401; 3 SH)
Ethics for Health Professionals (GNUR 402; 2 SH)
Research For Health Professionals (GNUR 450; 3 SH)
Health Care Financing (GNUR 462; 1 SH)
TOTAL: 9 Semester Hours

ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING CORE COURSES
Health Program Planning and Evaluation (CMAN 434; 3 SH)
Health Policy and Healthcare Delivery (CMAN 435; 3 SH)
Advanced Concepts in Community Health (CMAN 436; 2 SH)
Outcomes Performance Management Theory (CMAN 439; 3 SH)
Outcomes Performance Management Methods (CMAN 440; 3 SH)
Advanced Concepts in Health Systems Management (CMAN 468; 3 SH)
TOTAL: 17 Semester Hours

ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING SPECIALTY COURSES
Host Defense (CMAN 411; 3 SH)
Methods for Infection Prevention (CMAN 412; 3 SH)
APN Practicum: Infection Prevention (CMAN 415; 6 SH)
Epidemiology (CMAN 416; 3 SH)
TOTAL: 15 Semester Hours

TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS: 41 SEMESTER HOURS

E-LEARNING MADE EASIER

Students don't have to be tech gurus to succeed in Loyola's online courses. Loyola uses technology to create a combination of individual and group learning experiences that work with students’ schedules.

Module Design: Courses are organized into modular class sessions which contain online lectures, readings, videos, forum discussions, assignments, quizzes, and extensive learning resources.

Depending on the course and faculty, students may also come together online for live class sessions.

LENGTH OF MSN PROGRAM

The Infection Prevention major requires 41 semester hours (SH), which includes six semester hours of clinical practica. This major builds on strong nursing core content including community health/public health theory, research, ethics and financial concepts.

Advanced Practice and Specialty courses focus on epidemiology, microbiology and immunology, methods for infection prevention, health policy, health program planning and evaluation, outcomes performance management, and leadership.

Most students are working full-time and find that taking two courses per semester is manageable.

TUITION 2015:

Graduate School of Nursing Per credit hour - $1,060.00
Additional expenses: Textbooks, fees, attendance at graduation.
For more information, go to Office of the Bursar: luc.edu/bursar/

CONTACT INFORMATION

To learn more about our curriculum, prerequisites, required courses, and faculty, please visit LUC.edu/nursing/

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APPLICATION PROCESS

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