

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO

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DEGREE  
PROGRAMS

# MARCELLA NIEHOFF SCHOOL *of* NURSING

## Modern Facilities, Hands-on Experience

**A**s you prepare for an exciting career in health care—one of the nation's fastest-growing fields—you'll benefit from the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing's tradition of excellence. Founded in 1935, it was the first baccalaureate nursing program in Illinois and now has more than 5,000 alumni nationwide. Today, *U.S. News & World Report* ranks the school among the nation's top 40 graduate nursing schools. The Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing is the largest Jesuit school of nursing in the United States, and Loyola is the nation's only Jesuit university with its own medical center.

In conjunction with Loyola's Jesuit ideals, the school stresses excellence at all levels. We develop nurses who are knowledgeable, caring, and competent practitioners, educators, administrators, and researchers.

The school offers a range of academic programs that include undergraduate nursing and health systems management; master's,

doctoral, and certificate programs to educate professional nurses; and post-baccalaureate internship and MS programs for professional dietitians. Accelerated and dual-degree programs also are available.

The Lake Shore Campus in Chicago and the Health Sciences Campus in Maywood provide exciting learning opportunities in a health care setting. The Clinical Simulation Learning Laboratory, for example, is equipped with state-of-the-art resources—including high-fidelity mannequins—that allow you to build confidence through practice in simulated clinical scenarios.

Additionally, research in the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing offers additional learning opportunities and ensure that the school remains relevant in a complex and ever-changing health care landscape. Extensive clinical experiences throughout Chicago and the suburban areas offer connections in a variety of specialties and venues, and our study abroad options offer global health care perspectives.

## MAJORS

Admission to Loyola University Chicago and the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing is competitive and based on your academic transcript, class rank, ACT or SAT score, and a short essay. Admission also requires that you have completed specific high school courses. Once accepted into the program, an academic advisor will help you determine a course of study.

» [LUC.edu/nursing](http://LUC.edu/nursing)

### Health Systems Management (BS)

The BS in Health Systems Management provides you with the knowledge and critical thinking skills necessary to perform effectively in entry-level, non-clinical positions within the exciting, growing field of health care management or to prepare for graduate school. The curriculum for this interdisciplinary degree includes courses from the School of Business Administration and the College of Arts and Sciences. An internship is required. As a graduate of the Health Systems Management program, you will understand the structure, function, business management, and underlying operational functions and driving principals of the U.S. health care system. You will also learn about policy issues in the health care field and how these issues impact its evolution.



### Nursing (BSN)\*

The undergraduate nursing program prepares competent and caring nursing professionals. As a BSN student, you'll learn the science and skills required for nursing and develop the ability to analyze complex situations, to make sound clinical decisions, and to deliver safe nursing care. A registered nurse with a BSN degree is a professional nurse who has passed the mandatory licensure examination, the NCLEX-RN. A BSN degree will allow you to practice in a variety of settings and will provide leadership opportunities to impact quality patient care and advance your career.

In the BSN program, the Clinical Simulation Learning Laboratory (CSLL) offers you the opportunity to apply nursing science and skills in a comfortable, non-threatening environment.

Armed with the solid foundation of theory and clinical skills learned in the classroom and the CSLL, you will complete eight clinical rotations, which include in-patient, out-patient, and community settings. During your senior year, you will have a leadership practicum with a nurse preceptor. This is an intensive clinical experience as you transition into the role of a professional nurse.



### Accelerated BSN\*

If you already possess a bachelor's degree from an accredited university or college, you can acquire a BSN more rapidly than traditional BSN students through our Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) program. In just 16 months, you will build on your education by completing clinical experiences that develop critical thinking and clinical reasoning while acquiring essential skills for nursing practice. Graduates of the ABSN program also enjoy the opportunity to directly apply to the MSN and PhD nursing programs. Our academic advisor will meet with you to determine whether courses from your previous degree are transferrable.

*\*Qualified BSN and Accelerated BSN students are able to take graduate-level nursing courses in their senior year through the Loyola University Immersion Nursing Program (LUMIN).*

## FACULTY

WE ARE COMMITTED to providing high-quality educational experiences for our students. Excellent instruction is paramount, and you'll benefit from our nationally renowned faculty's wealth of experience. More than 85 percent of our full-time faculty have doctoral degrees, and

many are certified in their areas of clinical management, and serve in leadership positions for regional and national professional organizations. You will enjoy personal attention from faculty as you engage a curriculum that integrates clinical theory and practical, experiential learning.

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## SCHOOL OF NURSING

COURSES FOR THE SCHOOL OF NURSING are held at Loyola's Lake Shore Campus in Chicago and the state-of-the-art Health Sciences Campus in Maywood, Illinois. A new school of nursing is planned at the Maywood campus. This new facility will provide a modern health care learning community for students.

Frequent exposure to Loyola's Lake Shore, Maywood, and Water Tower Campuses will give you three diverse experiences: a vibrant urban environment, the comfort of a more traditional collegiate setting, and the bustle of a professional medical environment.

At each campus, you'll have access to computers, study areas, and dining halls, as well as a network of student groups and activities. For your convenience, a free intercampus shuttle is available between the Lake Shore and Water Tower Campuses, and an intracampus shuttle is available at the Maywood Campus.



*Loyola University Medical Center, the region's Level I trauma hospital*

## CORE CURRICULUM

THE CORE CURRICULUM is the foundation of Loyola's liberal arts education. It aims to help you broaden your perspectives, understand diversity of thought and culture, think critically, and express yourself clearly and eloquently—all valuable to various health care settings and scenarios.

Core courses increase your understanding of yourself and the world while you explore diverse subjects and cultivate new interests. Courses provide a strong base of knowledge, skills, and values that will help you achieve academic, professional, and personal success throughout your career—and your life.

» [LUC.edu/core](https://www.loyola.edu/core)



## ACCREDITATION

THE NURSING PROGRAMS of Loyola's Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing are fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The CCNE is officially recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education as a national accreditation agency. CCNE contributes to improving the public health by ensuring the quality and integrity of baccalaureate and graduate nursing education programs.

## INTERNSHIPS AND OPPORTUNITIES

### CLINICAL EXPERIENCES AND INTERNSHIPS

THANKS TO LOYOLA'S DYNAMIC CHICAGO LOCATION, you will be in close proximity to numerous hospitals, health care systems, and various other health care organizations. The Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing's extensive relationships with the city's health care providers and organizations facilitate numerous professional opportunities and diverse clinical practicum sites.

The Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing is an integral part of Loyola's mission—working to expand knowledge in the service of others through learning, justice, and faith. You will extend your learning experience outside the classroom through service-learning and volunteering. You'll gain practical experience in a particular field, learn about the community, expand your professional contacts, and bring your interests to life. The school offers several opportunities, from working at health clinics for school children and their families or the homeless, to making home visits to the elderly and working with policy advocates to advance high-quality, accessible health care.

- » [LUC.edu/nursing](http://LUC.edu/nursing)
- » [LUC.edu/experiential](http://LUC.edu/experiential)

### STUDENT LIFE

PARTICIPATE IN some of the 175 student groups at Loyola—or start a new one—and you'll enhance your college experience and gain great connections. In addition to social and special interest groups, student groups exist for future nurses and health care professionals, including the Student Nurses Association of Illinois and the Undergraduate Health Systems Management Student Council at Loyola.

- » [LUC.edu/nursing/snai-l.shtml](http://LUC.edu/nursing/snai-l.shtml)



### STUDY ABROAD

WE ENCOURAGE YOU to expand your world view. Spend a year, a semester, or a summer in another country for an eye-opening experience that's a primer for understanding today's world. Through the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing, you can study and have clinical experiences in Rome in your sophomore year, and England or Belize in your senior year. Also, through the Office for International Programs, you can choose from more than 100 programs in 55 countries.

- » [LUC.edu/studyabroad](http://LUC.edu/studyabroad)

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