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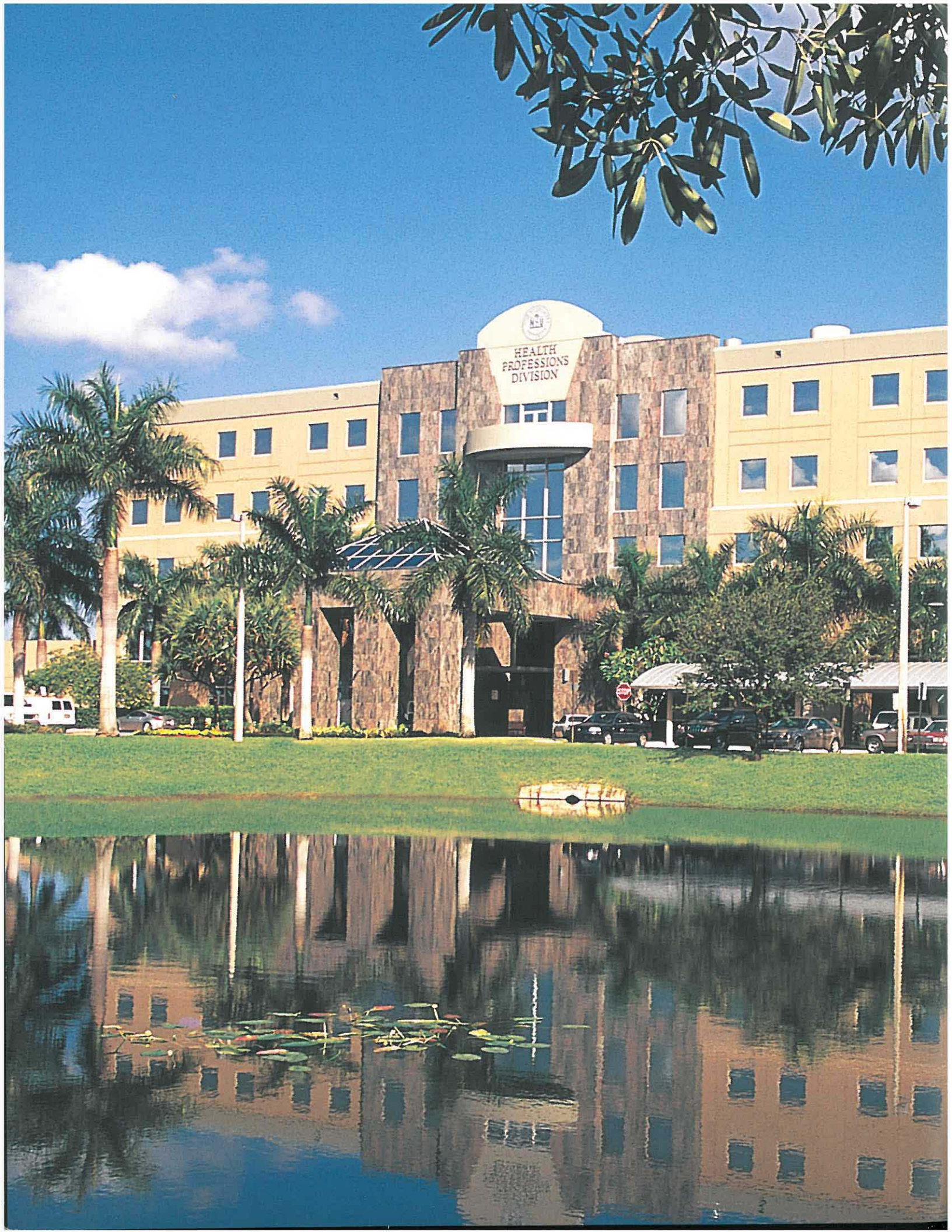
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COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH AND NURSING

HEALTH PROFESSIONS DIVISION

2008





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NSU MISSION STATEMENT

Nova Southeastern University is a dynamic, not-for-profit independent institution dedicated to providing high-quality educational programs of distinction from preschool through the professional and doctoral levels, as well as service to the community. Nova Southeastern University prepares students for lifelong learning and leadership roles in business and the professions. It offers academic programs at times convenient to students, employing innovative delivery systems and rich learning resources on campus and at distant sites. The university fosters inquiry, research, and creative professional activity by uniting faculty and students in acquiring and applying knowledge in clinical, community, and professional settings.

Nova Southeastern University, synonymous with dynamic innovation and intellectual challenge, is the largest independent not-for-profit university in the Southeast, and with an enrollment of more than 26,000 students, is the **sixth largest** in the United States. Situated on a beautiful, 300-acre campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the university is experiencing a sustained period of academic growth, fiscal strength, and commitment to the challenges of the 21st century.

In this environment of expansion and stability, the university is capitalizing on its strengths in such areas as academic innovation, comprehensive clinical training, and flexible educational delivery systems.

Founded in 1964 as Nova University, the institution merged with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences in 1994, creating Nova Southeastern University. To date, the institution has approximately **90,000 alumni**. Fully accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the university awards associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees in a wide range of fields including the health professions, law, business, marine sciences, psychology, social sciences, computer and information sciences, and education.

The university's programs are administered through **15 academic centers** that offer courses at the main campus and at field-based locations throughout Florida; across the nation; and at selected international sites in Europe, Canada, the Pacific Rim, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

With a budget of more than \$220 million per year and an upward trend in enrollment, the university will continue to maintain a solid record of academic and fiscal strength and excellence in teaching and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship.

health professions division

As a student in the Health Professions Division of Nova Southeastern University, you can anticipate a remarkable experience. You will train, study, interact, and share faculty and resources (either campus-based or online) with students from various backgrounds and disciplines. This interdisciplinary approach distinguishes the Health Professions Division as unique and will better prepare you to master your discipline with a sensitivity and understanding of the entire health care system.

The Health Professions Division, with a student body of more than 2,500, is home to six colleges. The College of Osteopathic Medicine, the first one in the southeastern United States, grants the doctor of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degree. The College of Osteopathic Medicine also awards the master of public health (M.P.H.) and the master of science in biomedical informatics (M.S.BI) degrees. The College of Pharmacy offers the doctor of pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree to entry-level, international, and postbaccalaureate students. The College of Optometry is the only institution in the state of Florida that awards the doctor of optometry (O.D.) degree as well as the master in clinical vision research (M.S.). The College of Allied Health and Nursing offers an entry-level bachelor of science degree in nursing (B.S.N.), as well as an R.N. to B.S.N. program, a master of science in nursing (M.S.N.) degree, post-M.S.N. certificate, and a Ph.D. in nursing education. The college offers a physician assistant program that awards the master of medical science in physician assistant (M.M.S.) degree, and a master of occupational therapy (M.O.T.) degree, as well as the entry-level doctor of physical therapy (D.P.T.) degree. Doctoral programs are offered in occupational therapy (Ph.D./O.T., Dr.OT), physical therapy (Ph.D./P.T., D.P.T.), and audiology (Au.D.). In addition to these programs, the College of Allied Health and Nursing offers the bachelor of health science (B.H.Sc.), master of health science (M.H.Sc.), and doctor of health science (D.H.Sc.) degrees—open to midlevel clinicians and allied health professionals. There are also courses of study in bachelor of health science—vascular sonography and master of health science—anesthesiologist assistant. The College of Medical Sciences grants the master of biomedical sciences (M.B.S.) degree. In the fall of 1997, the College of Dental Medicine admitted its charter class into the doctor of dental medicine (D.M.D.) program. Now, the college also offers a master of science in dentistry (M.Sc.D.) degree, as well as postgraduate programs in endodontics, oral surgery, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, and prosthodontics.

The Health Professions Division occupies a \$70 million complex, covering 21 acres of the university campus. The division includes eight buildings totaling more than 900,000 square feet of space for classrooms, laboratories, offices, the Health Professions Division Library, an outpatient health center, and a pharmaceutical care center. The adjacent 1,500-vehicle parking garage overlooks the Miami Dolphins Training Camp.

letter from the chancellor



If you wish to be a leader in the health professions, Nova Southeastern University can help you reach your potential.

In less than two decades, NSU's Health Professions Division has developed into a multidisciplinary academic health center of international stature. Composed of the Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Dental Medicine, Optometry, Allied Health and Nursing, and Medical Sciences, the Health Professions Division has redoubled its commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship. Working together, our distinguished faculty members prepare students for an exciting career on tomorrow's dynamic health care team.

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Fred Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D.
Chancellor



letter from the dean



The health care marketplace is undergoing a rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide the educational programs for future health care professionals.

Nova Southeastern University's College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing the highest quality of education to students in a variety of health care disciplines, including occupational therapy, physical therapy, and physician assistant studies, as well as audiology and the newly added nursing programs. In addition, the college is committed to a lifelong learning philosophy through the Ph.D. in physical therapy and the Dr.OT and Ph.D. in occupational therapy. We also have the bachelor of health science (B.H.Sc.), master of health science (M.H.Sc.), doctor of health science (D.H.Sc.), and transition doctor of physical therapy (T.-D.P.T.) programs, as well as the bachelor of health science—vascular sonography and the master of health science—anesthesiologist assistant specialty courses of study. These degrees for practicing health care professionals are delivered mainly through the use of innovative distance technology.

The health care marketplace is undergoing rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide educational programs for future health care professionals. The bachelor of science degree in nursing provides nurses with an entrance into professional nursing practice. The two options offered at Nova Southeastern University allow both the registered nurse and the student with no registered nurse license an opportunity to complete their degree in a timely manner in formats that meet a variety of student needs. The M.S.N. program offers further education for nurses who already have a B.S.N. degree and are interested in career advancement in the areas of nursing education, business administration, health law, public/community health nursing, or health systems leadership. The new Ph.D. in nursing program provides a culminating experience for students with master's degrees who want to focus on nursing education or research.

The College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing health care educational opportunities in formats that meet the needs of prospective students in the community and adequately prepare graduates to assume greater leadership roles in health care delivery systems.

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Richard E. Davis, PA-C, Ed.D.
Dean, College of Allied Health and Nursing

nursing

THE LARGEST HEALTH CARE PROVIDER As you plan or consider a career as a registered nurse, you should know these facts.

- With 2.5 million registered nurses nationwide, nursing continues to be the largest health care profession in the United States.
- The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that employment for registered nurses will grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2008.
- Nursing students comprise more than half of all health profession students.
- Nurses comprise the largest single component of hospital staff, are the primary providers of hospital patient care, and deliver most of the nation's long-term care.
- Most health care services involve some form of care by nurses. Although 60 percent of all employed R.N.s work in hospitals, many are employed in a wide range of other settings.

GRADUATE NURSING

Graduate-level nursing education will prepare the next generation of nursing leaders and advance the practice of nursing through nursing education.

NURSING M.S.N.

The M.S.N. program at NSU offers additional education for B.S.N.-prepared nurses working or interested in the areas of nursing education, business administration, health law, public/community health nursing, or health systems leadership.

Master's degree preparation is the minimum preparation to enter professional nursing education. The shortage of nurses is directly related to the shortage of nursing faculties. Nova Southeastern University's M.S.N. degree specializing in nursing education prepares the experienced nurse to teach nursing students in basic nursing coursework or to teach nurses in staff development.

M.S.N. preparation for hospital nurse managers is an integral part of optimizing health care services in the community. Magnet status, a reflection of quality in health care organizations, hinges on excellence in health care management, evidenced by nurses who are prepared at the master's degree level. Increasing numbers of nurses own their own health care-related businesses. The M.S.N. business administration specialization assists nurses who are just entering the realm of entrepreneurship, as well as those who want to better run their existing businesses.

Many nursing positions today require knowledge of health law beyond the B.S.N. level. Legal nurse consultants, nurses in risk management, nurses in long-term care administration, and nurses charged with improv-

ing health care quality all benefit from more extensive knowledge of health law. The M.S.N. degree in health law provides this additional specialized knowledge.

M.S.N.-prepared nurses are needed as leaders in public/community health. Preparation at the M.S.N. level in a track specific to the requirements of public/community health allows public health nurses to better assess and assure the public's health. In addition to allowing nurses to enter the field of public/community health, advanced specialty education through this M.S.N. track increases leadership and career advancement opportunities for practicing public/community health nurses. The nurse executive at the director level or higher will develop the leadership skills to manage complex health systems.

NURSING POST-M.S.N.

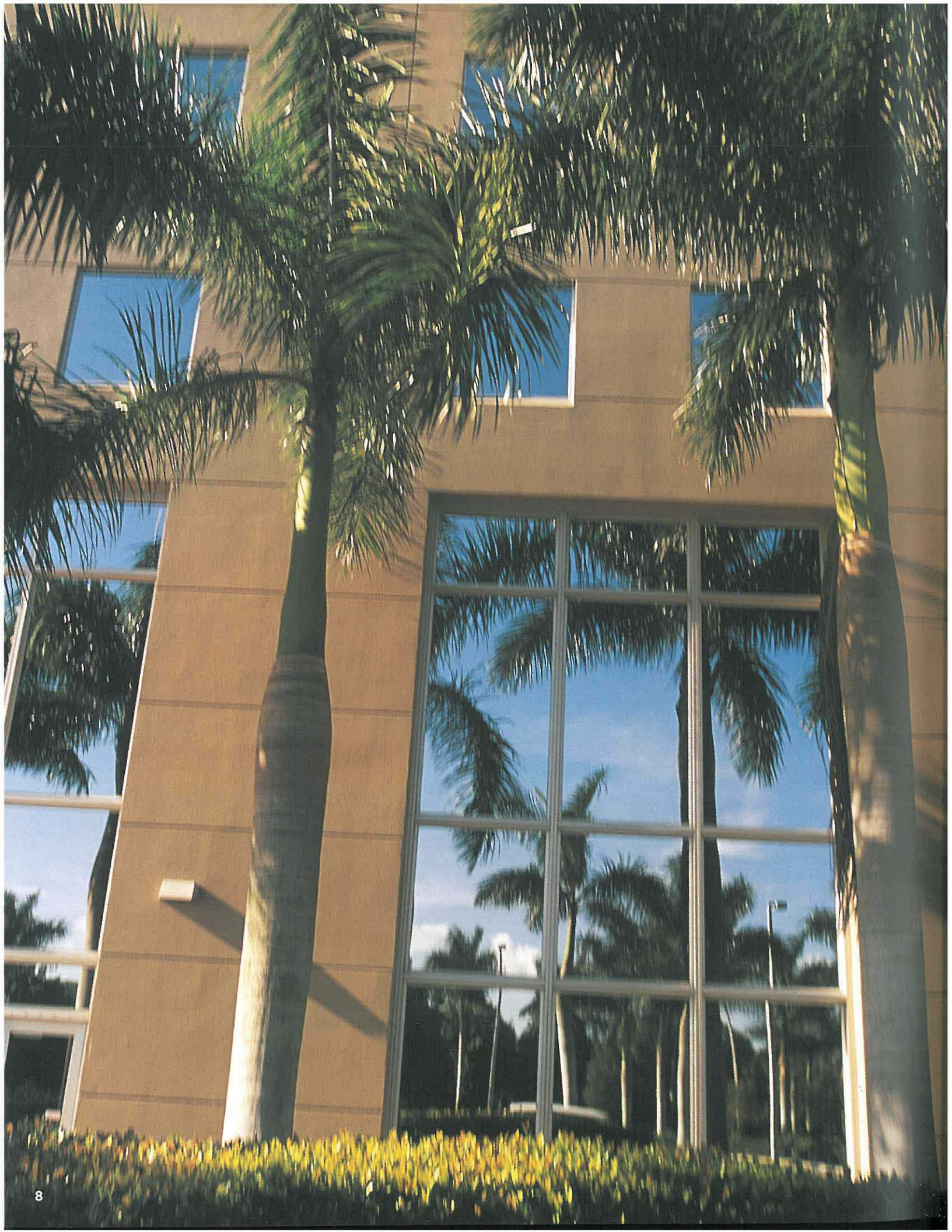
The post-M.S.N. certificate program at NSU offers nurses already prepared at the M.S.N. level the opportunity to further specialize in, or to change the focus of their careers to, nursing education. This program is designed to allow

the M.S.N.-prepared nurse to enter the field of nursing education at the clinical, community college, or staff-development levels. The M.S.N.-prepared faculty member completing this program is also prepared for national certification (CNE).

NURSING PH.D.

The doctor of philosophy in nursing (Ph.D.) is a degree program for graduates of a master of science in nursing program. The NSU Ph.D. in nursing education course of study is designed to provide the culminating segment of the educational pipeline for a nursing faculty career path. Extending the education of current nursing faculty members from throughout the country and allowing a path of entry into nursing education careers for prospective faculty members, the program will emphasize nursing research and higher education leadership in nursing. Nurses will be prepared to conduct research and serve in nursing faculty leadership roles through coursework and course delivery methods specific to their needs.





For the first time, the U.S. Department of Labor has identified registered nursing as the top occupation in terms of job growth through the year 2008. Nurses are employed in a variety of settings including hospitals, private practices, public health agencies, primary care clinics, home health care, outpatient surgi-centers, health maintenance organizations, nursing school-operated nursing centers, insurance and managed care companies, nursing homes, schools, mental health agencies, hospices, the military, and industry. Other nurses work in careers as college and university educators—preparing future nurses, or as scientists—developing advances in many areas of health care and promotion.

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) and other leading nursing organizations recognize the B.S.N. degree as the minimum educational requirement for professional nursing practice. The B.S.N. curriculum prepares the professional nurse to be a skilled provider, manager, and coordinator of care in a wide variety of settings. Our M.S.N. program offers a variety of options to prepare registered nurses to assume leadership roles as administrators, educators, public/community health specialists, or health law or health systems leadership. The post-M.S.N. certificate program prepares M.S.N.-level nurses to enter the specialty of nursing education and/or prepare for national certification. The Ph.D. in nursing education provides the culminating segment of the educational pipeline for a nursing faculty career path. I am proud to share all of our outstanding programs with you.

Diane Whitehead, Ed.D., R.N.
Department Chair

chair's message

Students are provisionally admitted to a degree-seeking program based on a review of unofficial transcripts or other specific program admission requirements. However, this admission includes a condition that final and official transcripts, documents, and requirements must be received within 90 calendar days from matriculation. If these final and official transcripts, documents, and/or requirements are not received by that time, the student will not be allowed to continue class attendance. Financial aid will not be disbursed to a provisional/conditional student until he or she has been fully admitted as a regular student (all admissions requirements have been approved by the college/program admissions office). Students who have an unpaid balance 30 days from the start of the term will be assessed a \$50 fee.

courses of study

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (M.S.N.)

The online M.S.N. program offers five tracks of study: education, business administration, health law, public/community health nursing, and health systems leadership. Dual degrees are available in M.S.N./M.B.A. (Master of Business Administration), M.S.N./M.H.L. (Master of Health Law), or M.S.N./M.P.H. (Master of Public Health). While the core M.S.N. courses remain constant, courses for each track are specific to the area of interest and are provided by the appropriate schools. Courses can be added to the student's program track to accommodate the student's overall interest, employment, and educational goals. The program director is available for individualized program advisement. Capstone nursing courses allow the student to apply synthesized knowledge gained from all prior courses to an individualized project in the chosen track.

The **M.S.N. EDUCATION TRACK** prepares nurses for career paths in staff development, vocational-technical education, or community college education. This degree serves as a foundation for doctoral study for those interested in teaching in programs at the B.S.N. level or higher.

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
core nursing	21
nursing education	15
TOTAL	36

The nursing education courses include 6 semester hours of nursing education practicum and capstone project work, applying what has been learned. These courses are taught online by nursing department faculty members with advanced preparation and extensive experience in higher education. Additional elective courses may be taken by students with special interests.

The **M.S.N. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION TRACK** prepares nurses for career paths in health care administration and entrepreneurship.

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
core nursing	21
nursing entrepreneurship	3 *
accounting, finance, and management	12 **
nursing business administration practicum and capstone project	6
TOTAL	42

Students in the business administration track may choose to complete the dual M.S.N./M.B.A. degree. Contact the nursing department's graduate program director for information on the dual-degree option.

The **M.S.N. HEALTH LAW TRACK** prepares nurses for careers in areas such as legal nurse consulting, legal research, or long-term care facility administration/ownership.

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
core nursing	21
health law and regulation	15 ***
nursing health law practicum and capstone project	6
TOTAL	42

The M.S.N. health law track is the only M.S.N. track that requires the student to visit the campus. An initial summer week on campus serves as the prerequisite for subsequent law center courses.

Students in the health law track may choose to complete the dual M.S.N./M.H.L. degree. Contact the nursing department's graduate program director for information on the dual-degree option.

The **M.S.N. PUBLIC/COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING TRACK** prepares nurses for career paths in public and community health.

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
core nursing	21
introduction to public health nursing	3 *
public/community health courses	12 ****
public/community health nursing practicum and capstone project	6
TOTAL	42

The **M.S.N. HEALTH SYSTEMS LEADERSHIP TRACK** is designed for the working nurse executive. This track allows the student to meet professional aspirations and organizational commitments to accreditation, magnet status, and personal goals.

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
core nursing	21
health systems leadership	15
TOTAL	36

The health systems leadership courses include 6 semester hours of practicum and capstone project work. The courses are taught online by nursing department faculty members with advanced preparation and extensive experience in directing health systems.

* This course is taken through the nursing department.

** These courses are taken through the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

*** These courses are taken through the Shepard Broad Law Center.

**** These courses are taken through the College of Osteopathic Medicine's Master of Public Health Program.

application procedures

1. Send the signed application form with a writing sample, three evaluation (reference) forms, and a nonrefundable application fee of \$50 to

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Enrollment Processing Services (EPS)

College of Allied Health and Nursing

Nursing Department Admissions

3301 College Avenue

P.O. Box 299000

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905

2. Have official transcripts from each college and university you've attended sent directly to the EPS from the school attended.
3. Submit proof of current active professional nursing (R.N.) licensure in the jurisdiction of the practicum. Licensure must remain current throughout the program.

Prospective master of science in nursing students are selected for admission based on application content, academic record, professional nursing licensure, and evaluation forms.

Admission to the M.S.N. program requires

1. a bachelor of science (B.S.) or a bachelor of arts (B.A.) degree from an accredited university
2. a B.S./B.A. GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale*
3. current, active U.S. nursing license
4. a minimum of two years of health care experience (Students may begin the program part-time prior to completion of two years of health care experience with the permission of the program director)
5. an application with a writing sample, two evaluation (reference) forms, and the application fee

*Students who enter the M.S.N. program without a B.S.N. will be required to enroll in NUR 4900 Bridge Course in Nursing Concepts in the first semester of admission to the M.S.N. program. Students who have not completed an undergraduate statistics course must complete NUR 3200, receiving a C or better.

admission requirements



course requirements

ACADEMIC YEAR 2007–2008

CORE REQUIRED M.S.N. COURSES

CORE COURSES: 21 SEMESTER HOURS

NSG 5100	Advanced Theoretical Foundations in Nursing	3
NSG 5110	Nursing Research 1: Advanced Nursing Research	3
NSG 5120	Nursing Research 2: Utilization of Nursing Research	3
NSG 5130	Health Care Policy, Organization, and Finance	3
NSG 5140	Ethical, Legal, and Social Issues in Nursing	3
NSG 5220	Health Promotion and Disease Prevention	3
NSG 5340	Nurse Leadership Roles in Health Care Systems	3

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED COURSES BY TRACK

M.S.N. EDUCATION: 15 SEMESTER HOURS

NSG 5300	Nursing Curriculum Development	3
NSG 5310	Instructional Strategies for Nurse Educators	3
NSG 5320	Evaluation and Testing for Nurse Educators	3
NSG 5360	Nurse Educator Practicum	3
NSG 5500	Nursing Education Capstone Project	3

M.S.N. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: 21 SEMESTER HOURS

NSG 5270	Nursing Entrepreneurship	3
NSG 5460	Nursing Business Administration Practicum	3
NSG 5510	Nursing Business Administration Capstone Project	3

The following business courses must be completed through the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship before taking NSG 5460 and NSG 5510.

GMPN 5001	Introductory Accounting	3
GMPN 5008	Business Finance	3
GMPN 5020	Managing Organizational Behavior	3
GMPN 5012	21st Century Management Practices	3
or		
GMPN 5030	Managing Human Resources	3

M.S.N. HEALTH LAW: 21 SEMESTER HOURS

NSG 5470	Nursing Health Law Practicum	3
NSG 5520	Nursing Health Law Capstone Project	3

The following health law courses must be completed at the Shepard Broad Law Center before taking NSG 5470 and NSG 5520.

MHLN 1010 Institute for the Study of Health Law, Part I	1
MHLN 1020 Legal Research, Methods, and Reasoning	3
MHLN 1030 Administrative Law	2
MHLN 1050 Law of Medicare and Medicaid	3
MHLN 1080 Law of Patients' Rights and Advocacy	2
MHLN 1090 Law of Accreditation and Licensing	2
MHLN 2030 Law of Risk Management	2

Course descriptions for nursing courses can be found in the HPD catalog. Course descriptions for courses offered outside the nursing department can be found in the catalog of the school offering the course.

M.S.N. PUBLIC/COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING: 21 SEMESTER HOURS

NSG 5280 Introduction to Public/Community Health Nursing . . .	3
NSG 5480 Public/Community Health Nursing Practicum	3
NSG 5530 Public/Community Health Nursing Capstone Project . .	3

Students must complete 12 specified semester hours of coursework through the College of Osteopathic Medicine's Master of Public Health Program before taking NSG 5480 and NSG 5530.

M.S.N. HEALTH SYSTEMS LEADERSHIP: 15 SEMESTER HOURS

NSG 5230 Nursing Decision Making in Complex Health Systems	3
NSG 5240 Nursing Governance in Complex Health Systems	3
NSG 5250 Fiscal, Legal, and Information Management of Complex Health Systems	3
NSG 5490 Nursing Health Systems Leadership Nursing Practicum	3
NSG 5540 Nursing Health Systems Leadership Nursing Capstone Project	3

For further information, contact the nursing department at (954) 262-1512 or 800-356-0026, ext. 1512.

post-master of science in nursing certificate

(POST-M.S.N. CERTIFICATE)

COURSE OF STUDY

The online post-M.S.N. program offers one track of study—nursing education. Courses can be added to the student's program track to accommodate the student's overall interest, employment, and educational goals. The program director is available for individualized program advisement.

The Post-M.S.N. Certificate in Nursing Education prepares nurses for career paths in clinical education, as community college faculty members, or for staff-development nursing. This certificate program allows nurses with an M.S.N. in another specialty to enter the specialty of nursing education. Additionally, this program prepares the nurse educator for national certification (CNE).

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
Core courses	6
Nursing education	12

The nursing education courses include 3 semester hours of practicum work.

For further information, contact the nursing department at (954) 262-1512 or 800-356-0026, ext. 1512.

The Prospective Post-Master of Science in Nursing student is selected for admission based on the candidate's application content, academic record, professional nursing licensure, and evaluation forms.

Admission to the post-M.S.N. program requires the following:

- master of science degree with a major in nursing
- M.S.N. GPA of 3.0
- current registered nurse (R.N.) licensure in the jurisdiction of the practicum (must remain current throughout the program)
- minimum of two years of health care experience (Students may begin the program part time prior to completion of two years of health care experience with permission of the program director.)
- application with writing sample, two evaluation (reference) forms, and application fee

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2. Have official transcripts from each college and university you have attended sent directly to the EPS from the school attended
3. Submit proof of your current, active professional nursing (R.N.) licensure, in the jurisdiction of the practicum (Licensure must remain current throughout the program.)

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COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
NSG 5120 Nursing Research 2: Utilization of Nursing Research	3
NSG 5300 Nursing Curriculum Development . . .	3
NSG 5310 Instructional Strategies for Nurse Educators.	3
NSG 5320 Evaluation and Testing for Nurse Educators.	3
NSG 5340 Nurse Leadership Roles	3
NSG 5360 Nurse Educator Practicum.	3
TOTAL	18





advantages of a doctorate in nursing education

The current and projected nursing faculty shortage continues to impact the nursing profession on a national level. This has created an increased demand for faculty positions at all levels of nursing education. The focus on magnet certification provides greater opportunities in the profession in areas such as research and educational leadership. Health care institutions are seeking nurses prepared at the doctoral level to develop evidence-based practice guidelines and organize new and innovative nursing care delivery systems, as well as for placement in research/evidence-based practice positions within their education departments. This online Ph.D. in nursing education program will prepare nurse scholars to

- conduct research that supports nursing education
- assess, plan, implement, and evaluate teaching-learning
- teach nurses and potential nurses in the academic and clinical settings
- use traditional as well as advanced technological teaching-learning strategies
- provide scholarly service at academic facilities
- provide scholarly service to the professional and health care communities



course requirements

ACADEMIC YEAR 2008–2009

CORE REQUIRED PH.D. COURSES: 9 SEMESTER HOURS

CORE COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
Bioethics	3
Biostatistics 1	3
Biostatistics 2	3

NURSING: 12 SEMESTER HOURS

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
NSG 7000 Theory Development	3
NSG 7010 Philosophy of Science	3
NSG 7120 Health Care Policy	3
NSG 7230 Health Care Leadership	3

RESEARCH NURSING: 14 SEMESTER HOURS

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
HPH 7400 Quantitative Research	3
NSG 7130 Qualitative Research	3
NSG 7160 Grant Writing and Publication	3
NSG 7210 Evidence-Based Evaluation	3
NSG 7310 Doctoral Seminar I	1
NSG 7320 Doctoral Seminar II	1
NSF 7330 Doctoral Seminar III	1

COGNATES: 15 SEMESTER HOURS

COURSES	SEMESTER HOURS
NSG 7140 Theories of Education	3 (minimum)
NSG 7220 Higher Education Leadership	3
NSG 7150 Instructional Design and Curriculum Development	3
NSG 7240 Tests and Measurements	3
Elective (outside of nursing)	3
NSG 7340 Dissertation	9

accreditation and nondiscrimination

Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, telephone number: (404) 679-4501) to award associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees. The NSU Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing programs are accredited as of April 8, 2006, for a period of 5 years by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120, telephone number: (202) 887-6791)

The Nova Southeastern University Master of Science in Nursing Program is also accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (NLNAC) 61 Broadway, 33rd Floor, New York, NY 10006, 800-669-1656

This nondiscrimination policy applies to admissions; enrollment; scholarships; loan programs; athletics; employment; and access to, participation in, and treatment in all university centers, programs, and activities. NSU admits students of any race, color, religion or creed, sex, pregnancy status, national or ethnic origin, nondisqualifying disability, age, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, unfavorable discharge from the military, veteran status, or political beliefs or affiliations, to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at NSU, and does not discriminate in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

admission requirements

Prospective Ph.D. in nursing students are selected for admission based on application content, academic record, professional nursing licensure, and evaluation forms.

Admission to the Ph.D. program requires

1. current, active United States R.N. license.
2. completion of an M.S. program with a major in nursing or an M.S.N. degree from an accredited program
3. overall GPA of 3.5 in the candidate's master's or post-master's degree program in nursing
4. an application, a curriculum vita, a writing sample that should include an unpublished or published paper, two evaluation (reference) forms, and an application fee

application procedures

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M.S.N. AND POST-M.S.N.

Tuition for academic years 2007–2008 (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice) is \$485 per credit hour, and tuition for academic year 2008–2009 (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice) is \$500 per credit hour. An NSU student services fee of \$750 is required annually.

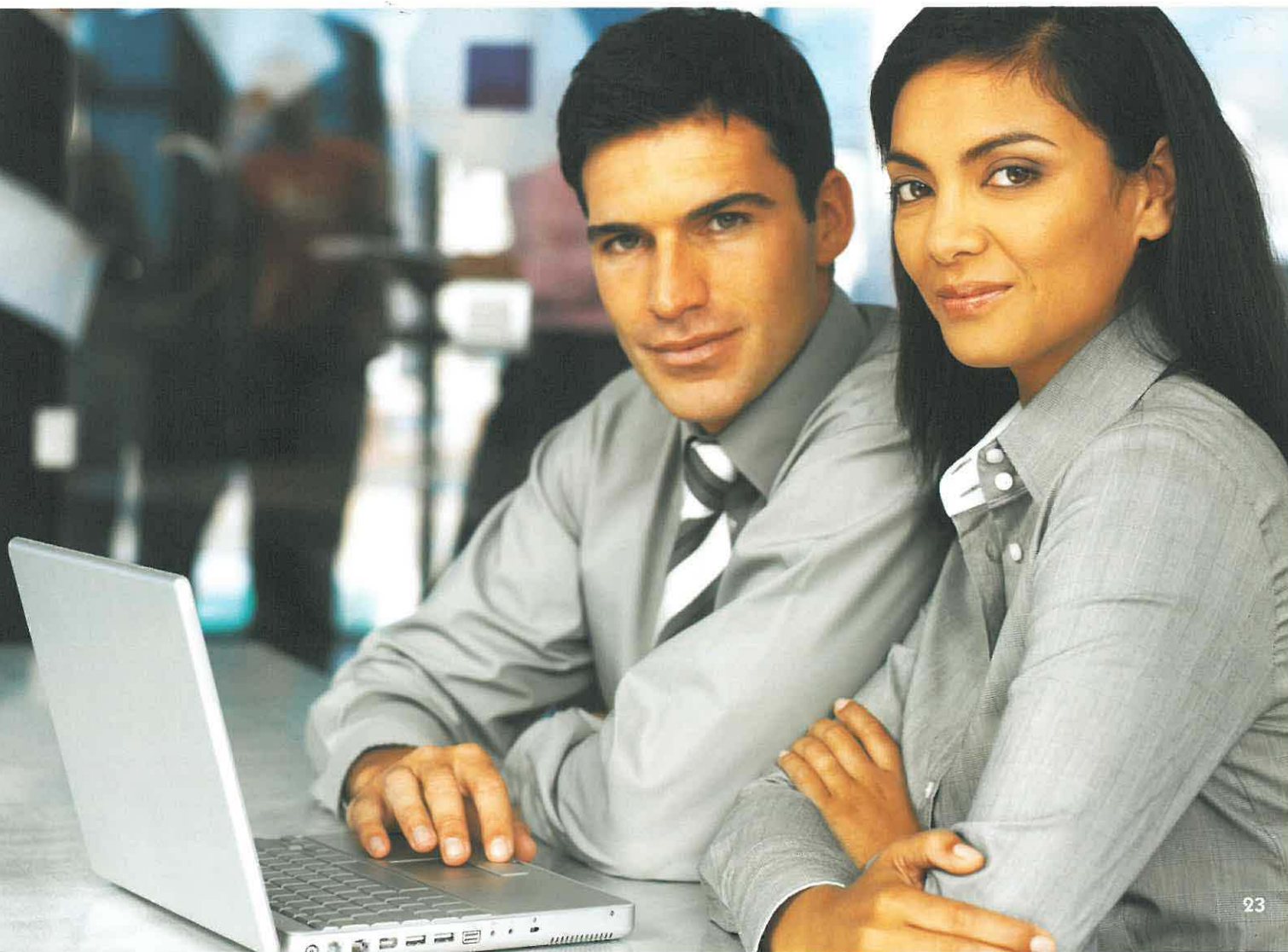
Courses in the M.S.N. tracks that are taken through the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, the Shepard Broad Law Center, or the College of Osteopathic Medicine's Master of Public Health Program are taken at the prevailing tuition rate for those schools.

PH.D.

Tuition for academic years 2007–2008 and 2008–2009 (subject to change by the board of trustees without notice) is \$600 per credit hour. An NSU service fee of \$750 is required annually.

For further information, call the nursing department at (954) 262-1512 or 800-356-0026, ext. 1512.

tuition and fees



expenses and financial aid

The primary financial responsibility for a student's education rests with the student and his or her family, but economic circumstances for some families may make it necessary for the student to obtain assistance from other sources.

The purpose of the Student Financial Assistance Program at Nova Southeastern University is to help as many qualified students as possible to complete their nursing education. Various loans, scholarships, and grants are available to qualified students to help ease the high cost of a health professions education. Approximately 90 percent of Department of Nursing entry-level students receive some form of financial assistance. These financial assistance programs are described in a separate university publication: *The NSU Guide to Student Financial Assistance*. For a copy or information, contact

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Opportunities for a limited number of part-time work assignments are available. However, the demands of a program of professional study limit the number of hours a student can work.

Health Professions Administration Building

FIRST FLOOR

- Student Affairs
- Admissions
- Financial Aid
- HPD Cafeteria

SECOND FLOOR

- College of Allied Health and Nursing
 - Audiology Department
 - Health Sciences Department
 - Occupational Therapy Department
 - Physical Therapy Department
 - Physician Assistant Department

THIRD FLOOR

- College of Medical Sciences
- College of Pharmacy

FOURTH FLOOR

- College of Osteopathic Medicine
- College of Optometry

FIFTH FLOOR

- HPD Administration
- Public Health Program
- Nursing Department
- Area Health Education Center

Assembly Building

- Finkelstein Auditorium (125 seats)
- Jonas Auditorium (125 seats)
- Melnick Auditorium (125 seats)
- Resnick Auditorium (125 seats)
- Terry Auditorium (125 seats)
- Auditoria A, B, and C (125 seats each)
- Robert A. Steele Auditorium (500 seats)
- Hull Auditorium (250 seats)
- Seminar Rooms

Library/Laboratory Building

FIRST FLOOR

- Drug Information Center
- "Harvey" Cardiac Patient Simulation Room
- HPD Library
- Student Computer Laboratory
- Patient Simulation Center

SECOND FLOOR

- Occupational Therapy Laboratories
- Optometry Laboratories
- Physical Therapy Laboratory
- Student Lounge
- FOMA Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Laboratory

THIRD FLOOR

- Basic Science Laboratories
- Gross Anatomy Laboratories
- Microscopy Laboratory
- Research Laboratories
- Moran Pharmacy Practice Laboratory
- Pharmacokinetics Laboratory
- Pharmaceutics Laboratory

Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Care Center

Sanford I. Ziff Health Care Center

FIRST FLOOR

- Family Medicine
- Occupational Therapy
- Pediatrics
- Dermatology
- Physical Therapy
- Radiology

SECOND FLOOR

- Optometry Clinics
- Optometry Dispensary

THIRD FLOOR

- Business Offices
- Specialty Clinics
 - Cardiology
 - Internal Medicine
 - Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
 - Pulmonary Medicine
- Emergency Medicine Training Center



Dental Medicine Building

FIRST FLOOR

- Oral Medicine and Radiology Clinic
- Oral Surgery Clinic
- Student Dental Clinic
- Clinic Support Laboratory
- Predoctoral and Postgraduate Oral Surgery

SECOND FLOOR

- Faculty Practice
- Simulation Lab
- Postgraduate Endodontics
- Postgraduate Orthodontics
- Postgraduate Pediatric Dentistry
- Postgraduate Periodontics
- Postgraduate Prosthodontics

THIRD FLOOR

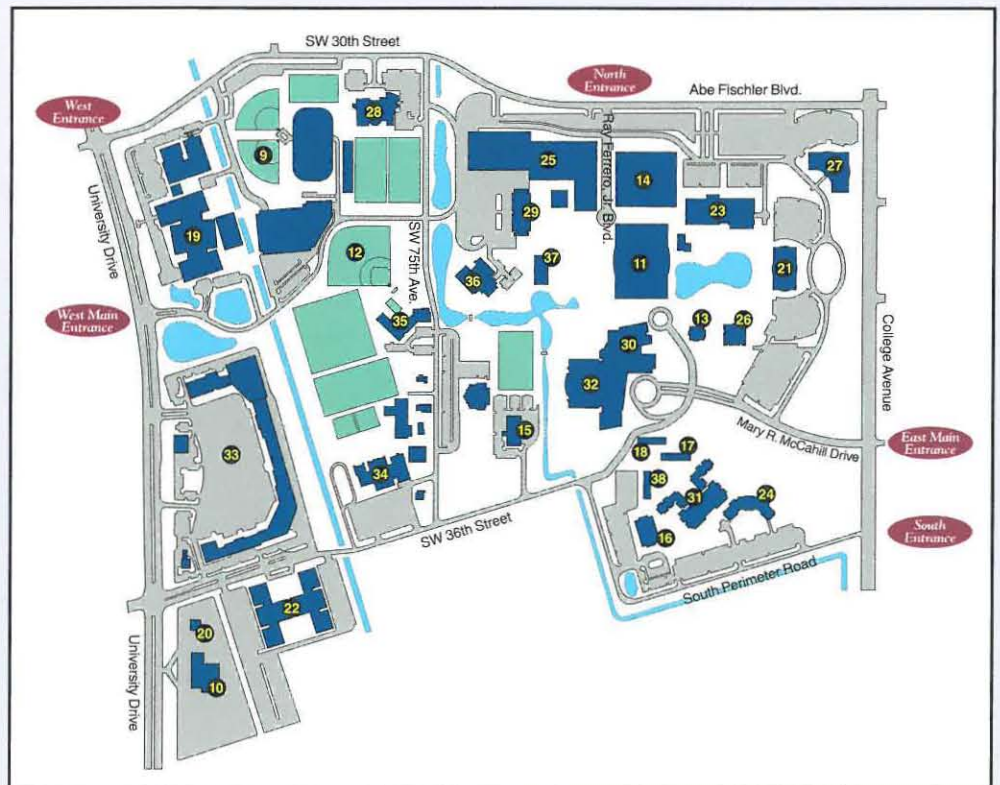
- Auditorium
- Seminar Rooms
- Central Sterilization Area
- Dispensing
- Faculty Offices
- Student Dental Supply Depot

Parking Garage

HPD Assembly Building

- Auditorium
- Computer Science Laboratory
- Seminar Rooms
- Physical Assessment Laboratory
- Compliance Office

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