

# *The MSN program seeks qualified applicants with a high degree of commitment to improving the health of families.*

## About the Program

Lincoln Memorial University's (LMU) Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree program, Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) concentration prepares nurses in an advanced practice role with competencies in mental health promotion and culturally competent clinical management of common conditions across the life span.

The PMHNP concentration at LMU can be completed in 12 months of full-time study and requires 41 credit hours of graduate course work including 500 clinical hours. The Post-Master's Certificate option is available.

Students who successfully complete the graduate nursing program will receive the Master of Science in Nursing degree. PMHNP students will meet the eligibility criteria for the American Nurses Credentialing Center PMHNP certification examination.

LMU is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The MSN degree program has received accreditation from National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (NLNAC). The MSN program is fully approved by the Tennessee Board of Nursing.

## Admission Criteria

- Graduation from an accredited baccalaureate nursing program.
- A strong overall academic record with a cumulative average of "B" (3.0) or better.
- Undergraduate coursework should have included: a psychiatric mental health course, a nursing research course, an introductory statistics course, and a basic computer course (or equivalents).
- Competitive GRE scores (A combined verbal and analytic score of 1000 or higher is desirable).
- A year of work experience as an RN is recommended, but exceptional new graduates may apply.
- Minimum of three recommendations from healthcare professionals who can rate the applicant's potential. At least two must be from nursing professionals; one may be a professional in a related healthcare field.
- A three-page letter to the Graduate Admission Committee describing professional goals.
- An unencumbered license to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Tennessee is required for enrollment; clinical practicum may necessitate licensure in neighboring states.

See the *MSN Catalog* for details regarding additional requirements for admitted students such as health status forms, proof of insurance, current immunizations, CPR certification, drug screens, and background checks.

## Curriculum

### Core Courses (22 semester hours)

- Nursing Science & Theoretical Foundations
- Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology
- Health Assessment for Advanced Practice
- Advanced Pharmacology
- Quantitative and Qualitative Methods for Nursing Research
- Health Care Policies & Systems
- Advanced Nursing Professional & Practice Roles
- Directed Scholarly Project

### FNP Concentration Courses (19 semester hours)

- Psychiatric Mental Health NP I
- Psychiatric Mental Health NP II
- Psychiatric Mental Health NP III
- Psychopharmacology

**Total Program - 41 Credits**



# Why Choose LMU?

- Our student-oriented faculty
- Our successful track-record of preparing students for careers in nursing
- Our experience working with students from rural areas
- Our values-driven commitment to students and the community
- Our beautiful campus
- And more. . .



Lincoln Memorial University is:

- a values-based learning community dedicated to providing educational experiences in the liberal arts and professional studies
- accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate, baccalaureate, master's, educational specialist and doctorate degrees
- an equal opportunity institution and welcomes applications for admission regardless of age, color, creed, disability, ethnic/national origin, gender, military status, pregnancy, race, religion, sexual orientation or any other class protected by applicable law

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*Psychiatric Mental Health  
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