

Indiana State University
School of Nursing
Master of Science in Nursing Program

Admission Criteria

Applicants must apply to the Indiana State University's [College of Graduate & Professional Studies](#) and upload all the program required items as indicated on the '[How to Apply](#)' prior to the application deadline to be considered for admission.

1. Earned bachelor's degree in nursing from an ACEN or CCNE accredited program of nursing at time of application. *Students in an RN to BS nursing program may apply in their final semester of studies*
2. Extensive RN Experience is preferred but not required
3. GPA 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale in undergraduate studies
4. Current, unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse in the state of practice
5. Current CPR certification
6. Resume or CV
7. Three professional/academic recommendations (preferred at least one academic)
8. Personal statement of professional goals that describes the student's leadership and community service as a Registered Nurse and the ability to meet [program competencies](#): APA format / maximum 500 words
9. English as second language students must achieve the following TOEFL scores or greater: TOEFL – 550 (PBT), 79-80 (IBT), or 213 (CBT). The School of Nursing MSN program does not accept alternate English proficiency tests
10. Meet all [health clearances](#) and [criminal background check](#), as required by ISU and your state of practice*
11. Telephone, video, or an in-person interview may be required as part of the admission process

*Admission can be denied based on the criminal background results.

*Nursing program applicants are considered on a competitive basis. Criteria include intellectual capacity, performance, maturity, clarity of goals, and other qualities appropriate for graduate study.

[Application evaluation](#)

An individual or group interview may be required. Additional materials may be requested for examination prior to admission.

*Please see "[How to Apply](#)" for more details.

*Indiana State University distance education programs [may not be available in all states](#).