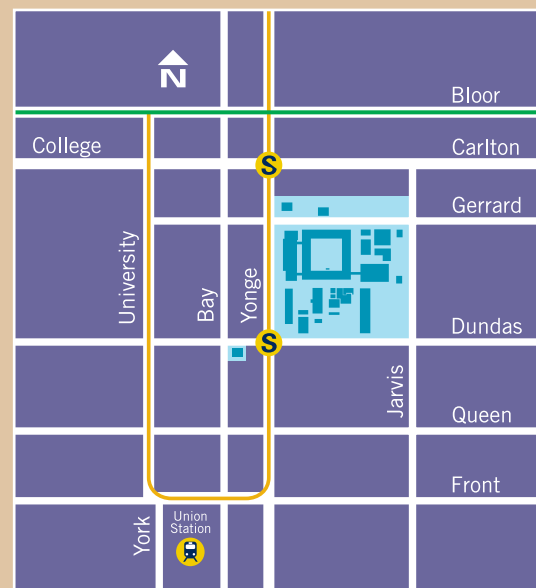




A message from the Nursing Graduate Program Director...
**“Thank you for your interest in Ryerson University’s
 Master of Nursing Program.”**

As Director, I believe that we have developed a solid program of study that prepares our students for advanced professional practice roles in a variety of settings and contexts as needed in our ever changing and increasingly complex health care system. Building on Ryerson University’s strong tradition of distinction in its undergraduate programs, we are proud to bring forward this innovative graduate nursing program and our continued commitment to maintaining the highest standards of excellence in teaching, research and service to the community. The curriculum and learning experiences in our MN program are designed to further develop the leadership, research and educational expertise of our students and to advance nursing practice knowledge. We are here to guide and support you on your journey of learning and scholarly inquiry so please feel free to contact me as well as other members of the graduate nursing faculty and staff.

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Master of Nursing

The health care community is looking to universities to play an integral role in resolving the critical human and material resource challenges that Canada will face in the development and delivery of health services to an increasingly diverse and complex client population. In particular, nurses are needed in our health care system with advanced knowledge and skills to contribute to the further development of nursing science and the utilization of best practices knowledge across the health care spectrum.

Supported by values relating to social justice, accountability, advocacy and partnership, the Master of Nursing (MN) program at Ryerson University provides leading edge innovation and distinctive education to nursing graduate students who wish to achieve an advanced level of skill and knowledge in evidence-based practice, education, policy and leadership.

Ryerson's MN program complements the School of Nursing's commitment to maintaining the highest standards of excellence in teaching, research and service to the community. The curriculum is comprehensive, designed to develop the leadership and educational expertise of students and to advance nursing knowledge and practice.

The discipline of nursing is an ideal illustration of the Ryerson model of education as it integrates theory, research and practice in a meaningful way for both students and faculty. Situated in downtown Toronto, Ryerson's close proximity to leading-edge health care organizations and research institutes ensures that students have access to a diverse range of learning opportunities.

Students enrolled in Ryerson's MN program address societal health needs through a Course Work Stream or Thesis Stream in one of two Fields of Study: (i) Leadership in Health Care Policy and Education and (ii) Health and Illness of Individuals and Communities. Students in the Leadership in Health Care Policy and Education field of study will develop advanced nursing knowledge in health services, systems and policy together with a focus on education essential to nursing leadership in Canada. Students in the Health and Illness of Individuals and Communities field of study will develop advanced knowledge in nursing and related theories of health and illness to enhance and promote the health of individuals, families, communities and populations.



Curriculum

Course Work Stream

The Course Work Stream curriculum is designed for both full- and part-time students. Courses are scheduled during all three semesters of the academic year. Full-time students are expected to complete the program in 16–20 months (4-5 terms) and part-time students have 28-32 months (7-8 terms).

To successfully complete the MN Course Work Stream degree, students must complete ten course credits or equivalent. Students must complete seven required courses and three electives. The required program consists of five courses that are common to both fields and two courses that are required in each field of study.

Thesis Stream

The Thesis Stream curriculum is designed for full-time students only. Courses are scheduled during all three terms of the academic year. Full-time students are expected to complete the program in 16–20 months (4-5 terms).

To successfully complete the MN Thesis Stream degree, students must complete ten course credits or equivalent. Students must complete six course credits plus a thesis. The required core program consists of five courses that are common to both fields and one course in their field of study. The thesis is equivalent to four course credits.

Required Core Courses

- _Quantitative Research Methods: Design and Critical Appraisal
- _Qualitative Research Methods: Design and Critical Appraisal
- _Nature & Development of Nursing Knowledge
- _Seminar: Advanced Nursing Practice
- _Practicum: Advanced Nursing Practice

Required Field Courses

- Field I: Leadership in Health Care Policy and Education
 - _Health Policy: Comparative Analysis
 - _Leadership in Education
- Field II: Health and Illness of Individuals and Communities
 - _Health & Illness: Theoretical Perspectives
 - _Population Health & Health Promotion

Elective Courses

- _Advanced Nursing Ethics
- _Diversity & Globalization: Urban Health
- _Nursing Informatics
- _Inter-Professional Health Education

Please note that students may take alternate field courses as electives.

Faculty

The Master of Nursing program brings together faculty members from the School of Nursing with established profiles in nursing scholarship and research. For a complete list and profiles of Ryerson's Nursing faculty who are members of the School of Graduate Studies please go to www.ryerson.ca/graduate/programs/nursing.

Admission Requirements

Course Work Stream

Applicants must meet standard requirements for admission to the Ryerson School of Graduate Studies. Admission to the MN program Course Work Stream requires:

- _Bachelor's degree in Nursing (or equivalent) from a program accredited by CASN or approved by the appropriate provincial body
- _Minimum overall B average in an undergraduate nursing program, with at least a B+ in the final half or last 20 one-term/semester courses
- _Submission of official transcripts; a curriculum vitae form; two confidential letters of reference (one from an academic referee and one from a professional referee or a second academic referee); and, proof of current nurse registration in a province of Canada, or a letter of eligibility for registration
- _Statement of interest
- _Applicants whose language of instruction during their undergraduate studies was a language other than English are required to submit a test of English language proficiency

Thesis Stream

Applicants must meet standard requirements for admission to the Ryerson School of Graduate Studies. Admission to the MN program Thesis Stream requires:

- _Bachelor's degree in Nursing (or equivalent) from a program accredited by CASN or approved by the appropriate provincial body
- _Minimum overall B+ average in an undergraduate nursing program and evidence of strong academic performance in research related courses. Preference will be given to students with an A- or above in the final half of their program or last 20 one-term/semester courses

- _Submission of official transcripts; a curriculum vitae form; three confidential letters of reference (two from academic referees and one from a professional referee); and, proof of current nurse registration in a province of Canada, or a letter of eligibility for registration
- _Statement of interest
- _Submission of a brief description of your proposed research. A signature from your proposed Thesis Supervisor must be included on the Supplementary Admission Data form
- _Applicants whose language of instruction during their undergraduate studies was a language other than English are required to submit a test of English language proficiency

Financial Support

Ryerson University provides financial support in the form of scholarships, awards and research/teaching assistantships for as many full-time students as possible. Scholarships and awards are offered on a competitive basis, so the number awarded in any year varies. For more information on available funding see: www.ryerson.ca/graduate/funding.

How to Apply

All forms and application instructions are available at www.ryerson.ca/admission.

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