

MSN Program Comparison Profile

This table shows a brief comparison of the Master of Science in Nursing programs at all accredited, non-profit nursing institutions with a physical campus in Alabama. All information was obtained from the individual schools' website. For the most up-to-date information and program contact information, visit <http://www.al-hac.org/msn-programs> and click on the interactive map.

School	Admission Terms	Admission Criteria	Program of Study	Clinical Hour Requirement	Costs per Credit Hour	Credit Hours	Progression Policy
Auburn University	Full time admitted summer semester only Part time any semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSN degree Good academic standing from last university attended Successful completion of statistics course with C or better RN license Overall 3.0 GPA 	Nurse Educator Nurse Practitioner Dual Track	240 (Nurse Educator Track) 750 (Nurse Practitioner Track and NE/NP Dual Track)	\$604	33 (Nurse Educator Track) 43 (Nurse Practitioner Track and NE/NP Dual Track)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must receive a grade of at least a B in all courses May only repeat a course one time Are allowed only two failures
Auburn University at Montgomery	Full time admitted summer semester only Part time any semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSN degree Good academic standing from last university attended Successful completion of statistics course with C or better RN license Overall 3.0 GPA 	Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Nurse Educator PCNP/NE Dual Health Systems Leader Nurse Informatics	840 (PCNP Track) 240 (Nurse Educator Track)	<i>unknown</i>	43 (PCNP Track) 33 (Nurse Educator Track) 37 (Health Systems Leader Track) 44 (Nurse Informatics Track)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must receive a grade of at least a B in all courses May only repeat a course one time Allowed only two failures
Jacksonville State University	Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSN degree RN license 	Population Health Population Health w/ Concentration in Emergency Management	508 (Population Health w/ Concentration in Emergency Management) 608 (Population Health w/ a	\$382	38 (Population Health) 53 (Population Health w/ Concentration in Emergency Management)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in graduate courses attempted Maximum number of hours of C grades permitted to count toward a

			Population Health w/ Concentration in Nursing Education	Concentration in Nursing Education)		50 (Population Health w/ a Concentration in Nursing Education)	MSN Population Health degree is six semester hours <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive examination
Samford University	Spring and Fall (Family Nurse Practitioner) Fall (Nurse Educator) Spring (Nurse Anesthesia)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BSN degree RN license GRE within the past five years <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New test: verbal: 153; quantitative: 144; analytical writing 4 The Miller Analogy Test (MAT) is not accepted At least one year of full-time critical care experience as RN Prerequisite undergraduate courses: general chemistry, research, both with grade of "B" or better 	Family Nurse Practitioner Nurse Educator Nurse Anesthesia	720 (Family Nurse Practitioner) 240 (Nurse Educator) 25 <i>credit hours</i> (Nurse Anesthesia)	\$833	82	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make grade of "B" or better in each required or prescribed course A grade of "C", "D", or "F" constitutes a failure in any prescribed or required course in the MSN program Maintain cumulative 3.0 GPA May not earn a grade below "B" in any course to progress Must have a 3.0 GPA to graduate
Spring Hill College	Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must live in the United States RN license in the state where he/she practices nursing Have a minimum of one year of clinical experience Currently works in a clinical setting access to a health care facility 	Clinical Nurse Leader	460	\$375 for R.N. to MSN Bridge Program \$515 for MSN	37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must complete first six hours of course work with at least a "B" average (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) GPA of at least 2.75

<p>The University of Alabama</p>	<p>Fall</p>	<p>For Case Management for Rural Populations, Clinical Nurse Leader, Nurse Administrator programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA of at least 3.0 overall (based on a 4.0 grading scale) or 3.0 for the last 60 semester hours of undergraduate work • GPA of at least 2.5 overall (based on a 4.0 grading scale) for undergraduate work • Score of at least 300 on the revised GRE or at least in the 40th percentile on the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) • BSN Degree • RN license <p>For Nurse Practitioner Program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA of at least 3.0 overall (based on a 4.0 grading scale) • GPA of at least 3.0 for the last 60 semester hours of undergraduate work • BSN Degree • RN license 	<p>Case Management Clinical Nurse Leader Nurse Administrator Nurse Practitioner Mental Health for Rural Populations Nurse Practitioner Primary Care for Rural Populations Nurse Practitioner Dual</p>	<p>540 (Case Management) 540 (Clinical Nurse Leader) 540 (Nurse Administrator) 705 (Nurse Practitioner Mental Health for Rural Populations) 705 (Nurse Practitioner Primary Care for Rural Populations) 1,230 (Nurse Practitioner Dual)</p>	<p>\$375 Distance Learning</p>	<p>39 (Case Management) 39 (Clinical Nurse Leader) 32 (Nurse Administrator) 42 (Nurse Practitioner Mental Health for Rural Populations) 40 (Nurse Practitioner Primary Care for Rural Populations) 53 (Nurse Practitioner Dual)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently only residents of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi are eligible for Nurse Practitioner Concentrations • GPA of 3.0 or higher • Good standing at the time of graduation • Completion of CNL Self-assessment Exam and CNL Certification Exam (for CNL only)
<p>Troy University</p>	<p>Any Fall only for FNP track (if full-time study)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSN Degree • RN license • Minimum of one year experience as a registered nurse is required for the 	<p>Healthcare Informatics and Nursing Leadership Family Nurse Practitioner</p>	<p>Unknown</p>	<p>\$417 In-State \$834 Out-of-State</p>	<p>34 (Healthcare Informatics and Nursing Leadership) 47 (Family Nurse Practitioner)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.0 or better GPA • Grades below "C" are not acceptable for meeting requirements for a subsequent course

		<p>Family Nurse Practitioner track</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall undergraduate GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in the nursing major • Score of 380 on the MAT or score of 277 on the GRE (650 on the old exam) (verbal plus quantitative). GRE or MAT required for every applicant • One or more years of clinical experience as an RN; or graduate study without a graduate degree in nursing or another discipline, and a graduate GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale • Undergraduate health assessment course or the equivalent 			<p>\$494 In-State Online</p> <p>\$988 Out-of-State Online</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must earn a grade of "B" or better in NSG 6691: Research Methodology
University of Alabama at Birmingham	Summer and Fall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSN Degree • RN license • Cumulative undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or on the last 60 semester hours • A combined score of 297 on the verbal and quantitative sections of the GRE, or a score of 410 on the MAT or score of 480 on the GMAT. Test scores submitted to UAB from the GRE, GMAT, or MAT must not be more than 	<p>Family NP</p> <p>Adult-Gero Primary Care NP</p> <p>Adult-Gero Acute Care NP</p> <p>Psychiatric/Mental Health NP</p> <p>Pediatric Primary Care NP</p>	<p>600 (Family NP, Adult-Gero Primary Care NP, Adult-Gero Acute Care NP, Psychiatric/Mental Health NP, Neonatal NP, Women's Health NP)</p> <p>560 (Pediatric Primary Care NP)</p>	\$555 Distance learning	<p>45(Family NP, Women's Health NP)</p> <p>44 (Adult-Gero Primary Care NP, Adult-Gero Acute Care NP, Psychiatric/Mental Health NP, Pediatric Primary Care NP, Neonatal NP)</p> <p>54 (Pediatric Primary & Acute Care NP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must achieve a minimum grade of "B" in all MSN coursework • Must maintain a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale • Successfully complete every course required in the program • Two unsuccessful course attempts

		<p>five years old. International students must achieve a TOEFL examination score of at least 500</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GRE, MAT, GMAT is waived for students with a 3.2 or better GPA 	<p>Pediatric Primary & Acute Care NP Pediatric Acute Care NP Neonatal NP Women's Health NP Clinical Nurse Leader Nursing Health Systems Administration Nursing Informatics</p>	<p>1,020 (Pediatric Primary & Acute Care NP) 420 (Clinical Nurse Leader) 480 (Nursing Health Systems Administration) 210 (Nursing Informatics)</p>		<p>31 (Clinical Nurse Leader) 36 (Nursing Health Systems Administration) 40 (Nursing Informatics)</p>	<p>will result in dismissal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students who are unsuccessful in a didactic course but pass its companion clinical course, will not be required to repeat the course they have passed, but may be required to register for and successfully complete an independent study to maintain clinical competency • A grade of "C", "F" or "W" in a designated NUR course considered an "unsuccessful attempt" in the nursing program • All failures will be recorded on the student's transcripts and the student must retake the failed course(s) • Students who receive a grade of "C", "F" or "W" in more than one
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University of Alabama in Huntsville	Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSN Degree • RN license • If a student is permitted to meet course clinical requirements in a state other than Alabama, the student must be licensed in that state • Overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all baccalaureate coursework or on the last 60 semester hours of baccalaureate coursework completed • Note: Students applying for admission to the MSN program with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale in all baccalaureate coursework or on the last 60 semester hours of baccalaureate coursework completed will not be required to take the GRE or MAT 	<p>Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner</p> <p>Family Nurse Practitioner</p> <p>Nursing Administration</p>	<p>672 (Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Family Nurse Practitioner)</p> <p>336 (Nursing Administration)</p>	<p>All campus based nursing programs have an associated \$42 fee per credit hour</p> <p>\$366 Online</p>	<p>42 (Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Family Nurse Practitioner)</p> <p>39 (Nursing Administration)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students with cumulative GPA less than 3.0 at the end of each semester will have registration holds automatically placed on them for the next semester • Failure to remedy the grade point average within the time period specified in the plan may lead to dismissal from the School of Graduate Studies • Graduate courses must be passed with a grade of "B" or higher • Any course grade of less than a "B" must be repeated • More than one grade of less than a

							"B" may result in dismissal from the program
University of Mobile	Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSN Degree • RN license • Minimum cumulative GPA 3.0 on last 60 hours of academic coursework • Minimum of one (1) year of clinical experience preferred but not required • Statistics if not successfully completed in BSN degree. 	Family Nurse Practitioner Education/Administration	560 (Family Nurse Practitioner)	\$525	46 (Family Nurse Practitioner) 41 (Education/Administration)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 in all courses taken toward the degree • Students not meeting the minimum academic standard will be placed on academic probation • Students must have no more than one (1) grade of "C" • Students earning a grade of "C" will receive a written academic warning and will be placed on academic probation • Students earning a second grade of "C" in a concurrent or subsequent course will be academically dismissed and will be ineligible to apply for readmission to any

							graduate program in nursing at the University of Mobile
University of North Alabama	Any (A small number of applicants are accepted for the spring and summer semesters)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSN Degree • RN license • Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or greater • 1 year full-time experience as RN (Required for Nursing in Teaching-Learning Environments track only) • For international students, a minimum score of 550 on the paper-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or a minimum score of 213 on the computer-based TOEFL 	<p>Nursing in Teaching-Learning Environments</p> <p>Nursing Leadership in Organizational Environments.</p>	90	\$326	42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditionally admitted students must earn a 3.0 GPA after the first nine hours of study • All must maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain in good standing in the program • If GPA falls below 3.0, student may be placed on academic probation or eliminated from the program • Students on academic probation are not eligible for graduation • A student making a grade of C or below on more than six semester hours of course work is automatically eliminated from the program
University of South Alabama	Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSN Degree • RN degree 	Adult-Gerontological Acute Care NP	600 (Adult-Gerontological		45 (Adult-Gerontological Acute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The following nursing courses

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal GPA of 2.75 on all undergraduate work Prior to enrolling in a nurse practitioner clinical course, students are required to have at least 2 years of experience in an area appropriate to the specialty track 	<p>Adult-Gerontological Primary Care NP</p> <p>Adult Geron Clinical Nurse Specialist</p> <p>Clinical Nurse Leader</p> <p>Dual Role (Family NP/Adult-Gerontological Acute Care) NP</p> <p>Executive Nursing Administration</p> <p>Family NP</p> <p>Neonatal NP</p> <p>Nursing Informatics</p> <p>Pediatric Acute Care NP</p> <p>Pediatric Primary Care NP</p> <p>Psychiatric (Family) NP</p> <p>Women’s Health NP</p>	<p>Acute Care NP, Adult-Gerontological Primary Care NP, Family NP, Neonatal NP, Pediatric Acute Care NP, Pediatric Primary Care NP, Psychiatric Family NP, Women’s Health NP)</p> <p>540-600 Adult Geron Clinical Nurse Specialist</p> <p>540 Clinical Nurse Leader</p> <p>1,080 Dual Role (Family NP/Adult-Gerontological Acute Care) NP</p> <p>420 Executive Nursing Administration</p> <p>240 Nursing Informatics</p>		<p>Care NP, Adult-Gerontological Primary Care NP, Neonatal NP, Family NP, Pediatric Acute Care NP, Pediatric Primary Care NP, Psychiatric Family NP, Women’s Health NP)</p> <p>38 Adult Geron Clinical Nurse Specialist</p> <p>36 Clinical Nurse Leader</p> <p>57 Dual Role (Family NP/Adult-Gerontological Acute Care) NP</p> <p>53 Executive Nursing Administration</p> <p>37 Nursing Informatics</p>	<p>must be completed with a GPA of at least 2.75 prior to enrolling in graduate nursing specialty courses: NU 410, CMN 411, NU 404, NU 425 or NU 530</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students who have earned a GPA of less than 2.5 will be academically dismissed from the Graduate School
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