Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for contacting the University of San Francisco. You are taking the first step toward an unparalleled educational experience. USF will offer you the resources and superior instruction that you would expect from an institution steeped in honor, achievement and Jesuit educational excellence. Upon graduation, in as few as 2 years, you will enjoy the unique confidence that comes from knowing you have earned an advanced degree from one of the nation’s top private universities.

Our **online Master of Science in Nursing** degree allows registered nurses, like you, to gain the knowledge and confidence you’ll need to assume a leadership role in any health delivery environment. You will learn to provide leadership in direct care to patients by focusing on quality improvement, patient safety, and care coordination with other health professionals.

During the online MSN Clinical Nurse Leader program, you will learn to:

- Apply major nursing theories and clinical concepts to real-life situations and practice
- Design, coordinate, evaluate and provide care from a position of leadership
- Develop safety and quality improvements and harness emerging technologies

Your success starts today, and our enrollment advisors are available to help you through every step of the application process. The University of San Francisco is eager to receive your application and welcome you into this dynamic program.

Please call **877-398-3146** to begin an exciting new chapter in your career.

Sincerely,

Patricia Lynch
Associate Dean for Academic Programs
The Future of Nursing Leadership

Become the clinical nurse leader you want to be to benefit your patients, nursing, and the health care industry by earning your online Master of Science in Nursing from the University of San Francisco. Gain the knowledge and confidence you’ll need to energize your health care practice and assume a leadership role in any health delivery environment.

The University of San Francisco’s online Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Clinical Nurse Leader program combines nursing theory and clinical practice to build a curriculum focused on educating extraordinary clinical nursing leaders. You will learn to provide leadership in direct care to patients by focusing on quality improvement, patient safety, and care coordination with other health professionals.

Here are just a few of the skills you will develop in the USF online MSN Clinical Nurse Leader program:

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UNCOVER NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR NURSING CAREER

Fully realize your leadership potential, build your career as a Clinical Nurse Leader, and enhance your nursing practice by earning your Master’s Degree in Nursing from the University of San Francisco.

- Designed for both Associate’s Degree (ADN) and Bachelor’s Degree (BSN) nurses, you can complete the program in as few as 2 years.
- Benefit from small class sizes while networking and developing deep relationships with fellow students and staff.
- Continue to excel in your current career while completing this 100% online program.

You can begin your journey by calling us today at 877-398-3146 for program details and enrollment dates.
Program Curriculum  
The online Master of Science in Nursing program is designed to provide you with the knowledge you'll need to stimulate your leadership potential and develop into a highly effective Clinical Nurse Leader. Our goal is to prepare you—through close interaction with our accomplished faculty and a curriculum that challenges and inspires you—to become the Clinical Nurse Leader you aspire to be. With 2 levels of entry - Associate's Degree (46 credits) and Bachelor's Degree (35 credits) – nurses, like you, are able to complete the program and earn a Master's in Nursing degree in about 2 years of online study.

ONLINE MSN CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

**Associate's Degree (ADN) to MSN**

**Foundation Courses** (17 Credits)
- Writing (4 Credits)
- Transitions to CNL (2 Credits)
- Community Nursing (3 Credits)
- Community Nursing Practicum (2 Credits)
- Foundations in CNL Leadership (2 Credits)
- Assessment (3 Credits)
- Introduction to CNL Role (1 Credit)

**Core Courses** (25 Credits)
- Epidemiology and Populations Statistics (4 Credits)
- Advanced Pathophysiology and Pharmacology (3 Credits)
- Nursing Inquiry (4 Credits)
- Healthcare Systems Leadership (3 Credits)
- Financial Resource Management (3 Credits)
- Instructional Systems Design and Informatics (3 Credits)
- Healthcare Policy & Ethics (3 Credits)
- CNL Role: Team Manager & Leader (1 Credit)
- CNL Role: Clinical Outcomes Manager (1 Credit)

**Capstone Courses** (4 Credits)
- CNL Role: Role Synthesis (2 Credits)
- RN-CNL Internship (2 Credit) with 300 hours

**Bachelor's Degree (BSN) to MSN**

**Foundation Courses** (6 Credits)
- Foundations in CNL Leadership (2 Credits)
- Assessment (3 Credits)
- Introduction to CNL Role (1 Credit)

**Core Courses** (25 Credits)
- Epidemiology and Populations Statistics (4 Credits)
- Advanced Pathophysiology and Pharmacology (3 Credits)
- Nursing Inquiry (4 Credits)
- Healthcare Systems Leadership (3 Credits)
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**ONLINE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Bachelor's degree (BSN) or Associate’s degree (ADN) from an accredited college or university
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Two letters of recommendation
- Résumé
- Documentation of professional RN license
- Statement of Goals
- TOEFL scores if needed

**ACCREDITATION**

The University of San Francisco is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the School of Nursing BSN and MSN programs are approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

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**REGULATIONS FOR ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAM APPLICANTS**

Due to regulations regarding online degree programs in higher education, effective November 1, 2011, the University of San Francisco is unable to accept applications for admission to online degree programs from students residing in Alabama, Arkansas, Iowa, Massachusetts, and Wisconsin. For questions, please contact the Office of Online Education at 415-422-4962.