



College of Nursing

Program Cost Estimates^{1,2,3,4,5,6,7}

Based on 2023-2024 Tuition and Fee Rates

	Program Hours	Estimated # of Semesters	Resident Average Estimated Cost per Semester ⁵ \$770.25 per credit hour	Non-Resident Scholarship Recipient Average Estimated Cost per Semester ^{5,6} \$870.25 per credit hour	Non-Resident Average Estimated Cost per Semester ⁵ \$1,438.00 per credit hour
MASTERS PROGRAMS					
Master of Science in Nursing Programs (MSN)					
Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner - Part Time Plan of Study	46	8	\$5,543	\$6,118	\$9,555
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner - Part-Time Plan of Study	47	8	\$5,651	\$6,239	\$9,751
Family Nurse Practitioner - Part Time Plan of Study	47	8	\$5,783	\$6,370	\$9,882
Nursing Informatics – Full Time Plan of Study	33	4	\$7,398	\$8,223	\$13,124
Nursing Informatics – Part Time Plan of Study	33	7	\$4,227	\$4,746	\$7,564
Healthcare Leadership -Full Time Plan of Study	30	3	\$7,033	\$7,033	\$7,293
Healthcare Leadership - Part Time Plan of Study	30	6	\$3,171	\$3,171	\$3,721
Master’s Entry to Practice Nursing - Full Time Plan of Study*	68	5	\$11,321	\$12,821	\$19,634
Nursing Education – Part Time Plan of Study	39	5	\$7,245	\$8,649	\$12,687
*The MEPN program plan requires enrollment 12-15 credit hours each semesters. Flat rates apply in semesters where enrollment exceeds 11 credit hours.					
CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS					
Post-Master’s Graduate Certificate Programs (CGS)*					
Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Part Time Plan of Study	31	5	\$6,267	\$6,887	\$10,593
Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (accelerated) Part Time Plan of Study*	18	3	\$5,987	\$6,587	\$10,173
Family Nurse Practitioner Part Time Plan of Study	32	6	\$5,542	\$6,075	\$9,263
Family Nurse Practitioner (accelerated) Part Time Plan of Study*	18	3	\$6,337	\$6,937	\$10,523
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Part Time Plan of Study	32	5	\$6,650	\$7,290	\$11,116

Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (accelerated) Part time Plan of Study*	18	3	\$6,320	\$6,920	\$10,507
Nursing Informatics Part Time Plan of Study	18	4	\$4,228	\$4,678	\$7,368
Healthcare Leadership Part Time Plan of Study	18	4	\$3,349	\$3,349	\$3,484
Nursing Education Part Time Plan of Study	27	5	\$5,163	\$5,703	\$8,931
Nursing Education (accelerated) Part Time Plan of Study	18	5	\$3,392	\$3,752	\$5,904
*CGS accelerated plan of study determined by gap analysis, total hours vary					

DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

Doctor of Nursing Practice Programs (DNP)					
Executive Healthcare Leadership (BSN entry) Full Time Plan of Study	60	8	\$7,199	\$7,949	\$12,433
Executive Healthcare Leadership (BSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study	60	11	\$5,236	\$5,781	\$9,042
Family Nurse Practitioner (BSN entry) Full Time Plan of Study	74	9	\$8,093	\$8,915	\$13,830
Family Nurse Practitioner (BSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study	74	12	\$6,070	\$6,686	\$10,373
Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (BSN entry) Full Time Plan of Study	73	9	\$7,885	\$8,697	\$13,545
Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (BSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study	73	12	\$5,914	\$6,522	\$10,159
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (BSN entry) Full Time Plan of Study	74	9	\$7,982	\$8,804	\$13,719
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (BSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study	74	12	\$5,986	\$6,603	\$10,289
Clinical Expert (Post-Master's, APRN entry) Part Time Plan of Study	33	6	\$5,338	\$5,888	\$9,176
Executive Healthcare Leadership (Post-Master's entry)* Part Time Plan of Study	36	7	\$5,097	\$5,612	\$8,686

***Post-Master's DNP NEL estimate based on 36 credits. Students without master's level finance course will take an additional 3 credit hours (NURS 738)**

- NOTES**
1. All rates subject to change. Based on 2023-2024 tuition and fee rates. [Specially Priced Online Degree Program rate](#) applies to Healthcare Leadership programs. All other MSN, CGS & DNP tuition rates subject to [Nursing Departmental tuition rate](#). PhD program subject to [Columbia tuition and fee](#) rate for graduate students. Includes following required fees: Application fee, Matriculation fee, Clinical and Lab fees, Malpractice Insurance fee, [Health Professions fee](#), Technology fee, and initial cost for Viewpoint Screening order. Health Center fee applies to PhD program. Only MSN, Healthcare Leadership, Nursing Informatics, and MEPN full time plans include semesters of 12 or more credit hours. [Full - time tuition rates](#) apply when 12 - 16 credit hours taken in a semester.
 2. Third party vendor, Viewpoint Screening, is used for background check, drug screening and tracking of all health requirements; therefore, billing and payment is separate. Additional fees may be required for annual renewal of Viewpoint Screening items - students are responsible for all costs associated with Viewpoint Screening requirements, including any necessary lab tests.
 3. Additional out of pocket start-up costs apply to the Master's Entry to Practice Nursing program.
 4. Health Insurance Fee not included in cost estimate, fee can be waived.
 5. Average cost per semester. Actual cost per semester will vary depending on the number of credit hours taken, and if clinical and lab fees apply. First semester one time matriculation fee applies to all degrees/programs. Additional one-time enrichment fee of \$1500 applies to the first semester in the PhD program. Health Professions fees apply to all degree programs. PhD students responsible for paying out of pocket for all costs listed, including years 1 & 2.
 6. Contact the [College of Nursing](#) to learn about scholarship and other funding opportunities.

Doctor of Philosophy Program (PhD)
PhD Students Receive Tuition Funding for the First 2 Years of Enrollment^{6,7}

	Total Program Hours	Estimated # of Semesters	Resident Average Estimated Cost per Semester ^{1,4,5,6,7} \$527.25 per credit hour	Non-Resident Scholarship Recipient Average Estimated Cost per Semester ^{1,4,5,6,7} \$572.25 per credit hour	Non-Resident Average Estimated Cost per Semester ^{1,4,5,6,7} \$1,240 per credit hour <small>Non-SC Residents Assessed Scholarship Recipient Tuition and Fee Rate first 2 years due to College of Nursing Funding.</small>
Doctor of Philosophy (BSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study Year 1 (24 credit hours) Year 2 (24 credit hours) Year 3 (15 credit hours) Year 4 (12 credit hours) Total Funding Amount (Tuition Savings) provided by College of Nursing, up to 36 credit hours pre-dissertation. BSN-PHD Standard Plan of Study must be followed to receive maximum tuition savings benefit.	75	10	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,488) Year 2 (3 sem x \$945) Year 3 (2 sem x \$6,064) Year 4 (2 sem x \$4,852) Tuition Savings \$27,468	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,488) Year 2 (3 sem x \$945) Year 3 (2 sem x \$6,064) Year 4 (2 sem x \$4,852) Tuition Savings \$27,468	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,488) Year 2 (3 sem x \$945) Year 3 (2 sem x \$11,522) Year 4 (2 sem x \$9,218) Tuition Savings \$59,520
Doctor of Philosophy (MSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study Year 1 (27 credit hours) Year 2 (18 credit hours) Year 3 (12 credit hours) Total Funding Amount (Tuition Savings) provided by College of Nursing, up to 36 credit hours pre-dissertation. MSN-PHD Standard Plan of Study must be followed to receive maximum tuition savings benefit.	57	7	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,606) Year 2 (2 sem x \$1,063) Year 3 (2 sem x \$4,852) Tuition Savings \$25,751	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,606) Year 2 (2 sem x \$1,063) Year 3 (2 sem x \$4,852) Tuition Savings \$25,751	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,606) Year 2 (2 sem x \$1,063) Year 3 (2 sem x \$9,218) Tuition Savings \$55,800
Doctor of Philosophy (non-MSN entry) Part Time Plan of Study* Year 1 (27 credit hours) Year 2 (18 credit hours) Year 3 (12 credit hours)	57	7	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,606)	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,606)	Year 1 (3 sem x \$1,606)

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<p>Doctor of Philosophy (DNP entry) Part Time Plan of Study** Year 1 (15 credit hours) Year 2 (12 credit hours) Year 3 (12 credit hours) Total Funding Amount (Tuition Savings) provided by College of Nursing, up to 36 credit hours pre-dissertation. DNP-PHD Standard Plan of Study must be followed to receive maximum tuition savings benefit.</p>	39	6	<p>Year 1 (2 sem x \$1,701) Year 2 (2 sem x \$709) Year 3 (2 sem x \$4,852) Tuition Savings \$15,451</p>	<p>Year 1 (2 sem x \$1,701) Year 2 (2 sem x \$709) Year 3 (2 sem x \$4,852) Tuition Savings \$15,451</p>	<p>Year 1 (2 sem x \$1,701) Year 2 (2 sem x \$709) Year 3 (2 sem x \$9,218) Tuition Savings \$33,480</p>

*PhD (non-MSN entry) based on 57 credit hours (non-MSN master's entry students who do not have beginning level graduate courses in nursing theory, research, or statistics equivalent to those required in the USC College of Nursing Master of Science in Nursing degree program will need to complete these courses prior to beginning the PhD core courses - additional 9 credits required)
**PhD (DNP entry) based on 39 credit hours-students who have not had a statistics course in last 5 years will take 817 advanced statistics - additional 3 credits

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 - PhD funding covers tuition costs up to 36 credit hours of coursework, pre-dissertation. All estimates based on College of Nursing standard plans of study. Non-SC Residents Assessed Scholarship Recipient Tuition and Fee Rate for 36 hours of College of Nursing Funding. PhD responsible for paying all fees, as well as tuition after 36 hours of pre-dissertation coursework is completed.