



Fast Facts

- Earn your Master of Science in Nursing Degree in less than 17 months
- Designed for the working professional RN
- Small Faculty-to-Student ratio
- Theory courses meet one day per week in 8-week sessions
- Convenient location in Glendale, Wisconsin
- Graduates qualify to take the Clinical Nurse Leader Certification Examination offered by Commission on Nurse Certification
- Longest standing Nursing College in the State of Wisconsin – More than 100 years of rich history!
- Affiliated with Columbia St. Mary's Health System
- Institutional scholarships available

Master of Science in Nursing Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL)

Columbia College of Nursing offers exceptional student opportunities, combining a long history of excellence in educational experiences in the classroom, laboratory, and the finest healthcare institutions in the area.

The CNL degree prepares highly skilled nurses to improve quality and safety outcomes for their clients. CNL students gain both theoretical knowledge and practical experiences necessary to provide and manage care at the microsystem level. Students design, implement, and evaluate client care by coordinating, delegating, and supervising care provided nurses, therapists, technicians, and other healthcare professionals.

CNL students learn from highly qualified faculty members. Theory classes are offered in 8-week sessions, and practicum courses are offered with two options. Either two 16-week (traditional) or two 6-week (immersion) practica can be selected, with both options allowing program completion in less than 17 months. Class sizes are intentionally limited to maximize student participation and student/faculty interaction.

Program Accreditation

The nursing program is approved by the Wisconsin State Board of Nursing. It is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the undergraduate nursing program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The CNL program will undergo the CCNE accreditation process during the first year.

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