The MSN programs at Millersville University build upon students' previous experiences in nursing education and practice to provide them with a strong foundation in nursing science and enhance their professional development and professional growth. We believe our students bring a wealth of clinical expertise to our programs, and we embrace the opportunity to guide our students to higher-level thinking and functioning in the healthcare environment.

OVERVIEW
The Wehrheim School of Nursing and its programs are designed for busy registered nurses who already have their Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and have clinical nursing experience as a registered nurse. The MU Master of Science in Nursing programs were developed and based on the ANA Scope and Standards of Professional Practice and are accredited through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). These programs will prepare nurses for a career in a variety of specialties. Our programs are specifically designed for busy working adults; we incorporate online, blended and face-to-face classroom learning.

DEGREES/CERTIFICATIONS
FAMILY/INDIVIDUAL ACROSS THE LIFESPAN
NURSE PRACTITIONER
The Family/Individual Across the Lifespan Nurse Practitioner program (FNP) prepares nurses to specialize in the prevention, diagnosis and management of medical conditions across the lifespan. Our flexible program is designed for the working student. Our blended course delivery offers face-to-face classes along with online components. The program requires the completion of 43 theory hours and 750 clinical hours. Upon completion of the FNP program, graduates are eligible for licensure by the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing and to sit for the national certification examination by the American Nurses Credentialing Center and/or the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

The Family/Individual Across the Lifespan Nurse Practitioner program is offered at two locations: Millersville University (Millersville, Pa.) and Central Penn College Campus (Enola, Pa.). Application cycle one for the Millersville campus is January 15, and cycle two, if the cohort is not filled, is March 15. Application cycle one for the Central Penn campus is September 15, and cycle two is November 15. These application dates are firm.

NURSE EDUCATOR
The MSN in Nursing Education program is designed for nurses with a passion for teaching! Our fully online program allows students to learn about both academic education and nursing professional development. This program prepares nurses for the role as nurse educators in academic or staff development settings. Our part-time, 37-credit program admission is offered on a rolling basis; students may begin taking classes any semester – spring, summer or fall. Practicum experiences are tailored to meet your learning goals. Our program provides you the flexibility you need with the faculty attention you deserve!

NURSE LEADER
The MSN in Nursing Leadership program is designed for nurses with a passion for innovation and administration in nursing! Our fully online program allows students to learn about quality, safety, multidisciplinary collaboration, financing and management in healthcare. Clinical experiences are designed to meet your learning goals. Our 40-credit nursing leadership has a rolling admission, and there is no application deadline. The Nursing Leadership program at MU provides you the flexibility you need with the faculty attention you deserve!
SCHOOL NURSE
The MSN School Nurse program is designed for nurses with a passion for the care of school-age students and advocating for the health of school communities. This program is offered as an 11-credit, stand-alone post-baccalaureate Pennsylvania School Nurse Certification (CSN) or as part of the MSN - School Nurse curriculum. The three CSN-specific courses consist of online instruction and experiential learning activities in a public-school setting and are approved by the PA Department of Education. The 36-credit MSN School Nursing program has a rolling application and admission. There is no application deadline.

POST-MASTER’S CERTIFICATE FAMILY/INDIVIDUAL ACROSS THE LIFESPAN NURSE PRACTITIONER
The post-master’s certification option is designed to provide individuals who already hold a Master of Science in Nursing degree with the core courses and clinical experience necessary for eligibility for family nurse practitioner certification. Selected courses from a previous MSN program may meet requirements for the Post-Master’s Family Nurse Practitioner program. This face-to-face program may incorporate some online components and is approximately 28 credits (upon transcript review). The application dates follow that of the Family/Individual Across the Lifespan Nurse Practitioner MSN based at the campus location. These application dates are firm.

COURSES
Courses appropriate for these areas of study can be found at https://www.millersville.edu/nursing/msn/index.php.

FACULTY
Regardless of the option, tenured faculty teach in all programs. Our programs are designed based on national standards and the unique needs of the nurse returning to school while also working.

Our campus-based scheduling options recognize the value of our students’ time. Courses are scheduled to meet just once per week, and often two classes can be taken on the same day. Practicum requirements allow students to focus on an area of interest to them, through individualized and self-directed observation experiences. Further, engagement in professional development activities can be applied to the required practicum hours.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Specific criteria required by the nursing department include:
1. Current RN license in Pennsylvania or in the state where practice is planned for clinical
2. Professional goal statement in 7th edition APA format
3. Current resume/CV
4. Three current academic and/or professional references
5. Official transcripts reflecting the following:
   – Baccalaureate degree in nursing from an accredited program.
   – Undergraduate grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. When GPA is below this, provisional acceptance may be considered if the candidate demonstrates graduate-study potential by other means.
   – Satisfactory completion of an undergraduate statistics course and a research course in nursing.
   – FNP track requires satisfactory completion of an undergraduate physical assessment course.
6. Minimum of one year of clinical experience in nursing; minimum of two years of clinical experience for FNP or Post-Master’s Certificate FNP applicants
7. Completion of a successful interview

ABOUT OUR GRADUATES
The Millersville University MSN graduate is uniquely prepared to advocate for patients and the profession. Our graduates frequently report that their experiences are encouraging, and they are leading change initiatives in their work environments, based on their education in our program. Our graduates are the healthcare leaders of the future, working in management, education or other advanced healthcare roles.