

# What can I do with this major?

# Nursing

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The School of Nursing offers degrees at the associate, bachelor and master levels. Freshman experience the "profession" in the hospital environment very early in their educational career at Gwynedd-Mercy College. With more than 200 regional health care affiliations, the clinical experience is always varied and first rate. Students in the bachelor's and master's programs can use work experience for credit through the School's portfolio credit program. The School also offers a weekend nursing option (Saturdays and Sundays) for those that already hold a BA or BS degree in another field. This program begins in the fall and is scheduled in a four-semester format.

## Skills/Competencies Associated with Nursing Majors:

- Aptitude for science and health
- Ability to make quick judgments based on observation
- Accuracy and strong verbal skills
- Understanding of human behavior
- Ability to work well under stress
- Physical stamina and strength
- Willingness to work beyond 9-5 schedule
- Desire to help people
- Good interpersonal skills
- Ability to communicate with various groups
- Flexibility
- Health, integrity, poise, empathy
- Ability to connect technology and humanity

## Related Occupations:

Acute Care Nurse	Emergency Surgical Nurse	Occupational Health Nurse
Administrator of Educational Programs	Family Nursing Specialist	Office Nurse
Administrator of Nursing Services	General Duty Nurse	Oncology Nurse
Adolescent Nurse Specialist	Gerontology Nurse	Pediatric Nurse
Adult Health Care Provider	Head Nurse	Physiological Nursing
Ambulatory Care Nurse	Hospital Administrator	Primary Ambulatory Care Nurse
Ambulatory Child Health	Industrial Therapist	Private Duty Nurse
Anesthesia Nurse	Manual Arts Therapist	Professional Role in Nursing Education
Art Therapist	Maternity Ward Nursing	Psychiatric Nurse
Athletic Trainer	Medical-Surgical Nurse	Psychosocial Nursing
Cardiovascular Nurse	Mental Health Nurse	Public Health Specialist
Community Health Nurse	Ethnic Specialist	Pulmonary Nurse
Community Mental Health Nurse	Midwife	Registered Nurse
Correctional Health Nurse	Neonatal Nurse	Rehabilitation Nurse
Corrective Therapist	Neurological Nurse	School Nurse
Critical Care Nurse	Nurse Anesthetist	Spinal Cord Injury Nurse Practitioner
Delivery of Services-Staff Development	Nurse Clinician	Transcultural Nursing
Developmental Disabilities	Nurse Instructor	Trauma Nurse
Diabetes Nursing	Nurse Paralegal	Traveling Nurse
Director of Nursing	Nurse Practitioner	
	Nurse Supervisor	
	Nursing Health Policy Administrator	

\*This is only a partial list and not meant to limit you. Come to Career Services to explore your options further.

### **Strategies:**

- Obtain internship/complete clinical rotations
- Volunteer in medical/health-care settings
- Develop organizational skills
- Take electives in psychology, advanced physiology, communication and technology
- Develop management and leadership skills
- Consider graduate school or advance practice
- Gain experience in handling emergencies
- Consider studying another language

### **Resources:**

College Central Network  
[www.collegecentral.com/gmc](http://www.collegecentral.com/gmc)

InterNurse  
[www.internurse.com/](http://www.internurse.com/)

Journal of Neonatal Nursing  
[www.nursing-standard.co.uk](http://www.nursing-standard.co.uk)

Nursing net  
[www.nursingnet.org/](http://www.nursingnet.org/)

Primary Care Internet Guide  
[www.uib.no/isf/guide/nursing.htm](http://www.uib.no/isf/guide/nursing.htm)

Craig's Nursing and Medical Resources  
[www.duke.edu/~mclen003/medical.htm#favor](http://www.duke.edu/~mclen003/medical.htm#favor)

Pam Pohly's Employment Resources  
[www.pohly.com/links.html](http://www.pohly.com/links.html)

Occupational Outlook Handbook  
[www.bls.gov/oco](http://www.bls.gov/oco)

Nurseweek  
[www.nurseweek.com](http://www.nurseweek.com)

New Face of Nursing  
[www.nursingcenter.com](http://www.nursingcenter.com)

Medzilla  
[www.medzilla.com](http://www.medzilla.com)

Healthcare jobs online  
[www.hcjobsonline.com](http://www.hcjobsonline.com)

ADVANCE for Nurses  
<http://nursing.advanceweb.com>

Nationjob  
[www.nationjob.com/nursing](http://www.nationjob.com/nursing)

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