Supplementary Program Information

Faculty of Graduate Studies • Master of Science in Nursing: Alternate Admissions RN to MScN

**THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FORM.** You must also complete the Faculty of Graduate Studies Application for Admission Form to be considered for admission. The application is available at [www.futurestudents.yorku.ca/graduate](http://www.futurestudents.yorku.ca/graduate). Admission decisions are based on a comprehensive assessment of the following: personal statement, resume, references, and grade transcript. Meeting minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

1. Applicants are required to submit a **Statement of Intent** letter (maximum 4 pages, single-spaced) that addresses the following:
   a. Why is this program a fit for you at this point in your career?
   b. What qualities will you bring to ensure success in this program?
   c. How do you see this degree furthering your professional goals?
   Note that the quality of your writing and how you express your ideas is an important consideration in the evaluation of your application.

2. A **portfolio** must be submitted to highlight significant career accomplishments and indicate potential for success in the graduate program. Examples include: Evidence of leadership positions (e.g. peer teaching, management); chairmanship of committees (e.g. Quality Assurance, Best Practice, RNAO sub-committees, CNO or ONA committees); current CNA certification; evidence of the completion of a writing course; post-diploma certificates; or samples of scholarly writing (e.g. a professional paper, recent publication or academic work). Other information reflecting evidence of life long learning and reflective practice may be forwarded. Please indicate the specific documents submitted on the following page.

3. Please attach a photocopy of **current Certificate of Competence** from the College of Nurses of Ontario and a membership certificate from the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario including liability protection (or equivalent, if you are from another province).

4. **Letters of reference** (3) are required. One reference must reflect significant contribution to leadership and clinical practice; one reference may be from the individual to whom you have directly reported to at work in the past five years. There also must be one academic reference from a nurse with a master’s or doctoral degree indicating your potential for excellence in academic study.

   Please list your three referees below and include their credentials, position, and contact information. Please note that your referees need to fill out reference forms available at [futurestudents.yorku.ca/sites/all/files/pdf/graduate/letter_of_rec.pdf](http://futurestudents.yorku.ca/sites/all/files/pdf/graduate/letter_of_rec.pdf).

   We also request your permission to write to any or all of the referees for further information if deemed necessary. (Please indicate whether you agree to this). □ Yes □ No

   Academic: ____________________________________________________________
   Employer: _____________________________________________________________
   Other: _________________________________________________________________

   **Academic Reference Letter.** Please note that if you have been **out of school for more than 10 years** and are not able to get in touch with a professor who taught you in previous programs, please indicate this on a separate sheet of paper and obtain another reference from an employer or someone who can write about your leadership.

(Please type or print and return with Application for Admission)
Please review the following checklist to ensure all supplementary information has been included:

- Statement of Intent
- Portfolio items (please list): 
  
  
  
- CNO Certificate of Competence (or equivalent)
- RNAO membership/LAP certificate (or equivalent)
- Three (3) Letters of Reference

Refer to the Web site for additional requirements. futurestudents.yorku.ca/graduate

Date: _________________________ Signature of Applicant:__________________________________________________

YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES THAT THE INFORMATION ABOVE AND IN THE ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS IS ACCURATE AND CURRENT, AND INDICATES A COMMITMENT TO UNDERTAKE A STUDY PLAN FOR BOTH THE UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE PORTIONS OF THE ALTERNATE ADMISSIONS MScN PROGRAM.