Master of Science in Nursing
Nurse-Midwifery – Post-Master’s Certificate (Hybrid Primarily Web)

Concentration Description
Nurses with a master’s degree in nursing complete the nurse-midwifery concentration courses and select core and/or clinical core courses based on their past course work and experience. Applicants for post-master’s certificates complete a non-degree application for the Graduate School and are not required to provide GRE scores. This certificate requires 23 - 41 s.h. depending on the amount of experience.

Requirements for Admission
Admission requires the student to meet the minimum admission requirements for graduate study of the university and the following requirements of the College of Nursing:

- A master of science in nursing degree in nursing from an accredited program
- Current non-restricted license to practice as a registered nurse (RN) in North Carolina or an NCSBN-compact state (Individual advisement may be necessary for licensure regulations for online out-of-state students)
- Must have a minimum of one year hospital based RN experience (labor and delivery preferred, but not required)
- Demonstrate commitment to practice with underserved populations

- A statement of purpose essay describing the applicant’s interest in graduate study, career goals and the certificate’s relationship to those goals
- Three professional references, with one reference from an individual who is knowledgeable about the candidate’s nursing practice
- A personal interview with a member of the graduate faculty
- A course in statistics with a grade of “C” or higher

Requirements for Clinical Courses
Information regarding clinical requirements can be found in the ECU College of Nursing Student Handbook at: www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/nursing/customcl/downloads/handbooks/grad_handbook.pdf

Upon admission all graduate students are required to complete a criminal background check. Students will receive specific instructions from the Office of Student Services on how to complete this process. The concentration director will review the post-master’s certificate student’s transcripts to determine the appropriate plan of study for the individual student.

Curriculum

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Semester Total if all are needed: 18
Semester Total if all are needed: 23

The concentration director will review the post-masters certificate student’s transcripts and professional experiences in comparison to the program requirements to determine the appropriate plan of study for the individual student.

*Students who completed NURS 6993 to earn a previous Master of Science in Nursing degree from East Carolina University will satisfy this requirement by taking NURS 6500, Independent Study, to demonstrate professional competencies of the certificate program.

Requirements for Graduation

- All graduate students are required to maintain a grade average of “B.”
- Graduation application must be submitted at least one semester prior to completing the degree requirements as stated in the graduate catalog.
- Students who do not register for courses for a semester must complete an electronic readmission form (available at www.ecu.edu/gradschool/ and in the Graduate School Office).
- Students are required to keep graduate program/health requirements and liability insurance requirements up to date throughout their clinical courses.
- All post-master’s certificate students will be required to complete a terminal program assessment as advised by the concentration director in the final semester.

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The purpose of the concentration is to prepare professional nurses as safe and competent practitioners of Nurse-Midwifery who are eligible for certification by the American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB) [www.amcbmidwife.org](http://www.amcbmidwife.org). The ECU Nurse-Midwifery Education Program is currently accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME). For further information about the Division of Accreditation, contact the ACME Associate Director, Education, American College of Nurse-Midwives, 8403 Colesville Road, Suite 1550, Silver Spring, MD 20910-6374, USA. Phone: 240.485.1800, [www.midwife.org/Accreditation](http://www.midwife.org/Accreditation).

The master of science in nursing program at East Carolina University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036. Phone: 202.887.6791.

**The University**

The university is the third largest in the University of North Carolina system (UNC), which consists of the state’s sixteen degree-granting public institutions. ECU is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral degrees and is designated as an academic health center by the Association of American Health Centers. Governed by its own Board of Trustees, which is responsible to the UNC Board of Governors, ECU offers 80 departmental certificates, 93 baccalaureate degree programs, 76 master’s degree programs, two specialist degree programs, six first professional programs, and 15 doctoral programs in our professional colleges, the Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Dental Medicine, and the Brody School of Medicine. It confers more than 5,800 degrees annually and it has approximately 160,000 alumni.

For more information, contact [ECUNursingGradPrgms@ecu.edu](mailto:ECUNursingGradPrgms@ecu.edu)

Visit the Nurse-Midwifery Website at: [www.ecumidwifery.net](http://www.ecumidwifery.net)

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