

## **UPEI Master of Nursing Program Update**

The UPEI Master of Nursing (MN) Program prepares registered nurses for a variety of roles in advanced nursing practice. The MN Program has two streams: the Thesis and Nurse Practitioner (NP) streams.

The **Thesis Stream** emphasizes acquiring knowledge and skills in research, administration, education, and direct care of individuals, families, communities, or populations. It offers nurses the opportunity to develop practice knowledge and skills and to contribute to nursing knowledge through the conduct of research. Students in this stream must complete 8 courses in addition to a thesis. The Thesis stream has a yearly intake of up to 6 students and may be taken while working. Nurses may apply upon completion of a baccalaureate nursing program and may take up to 2 courses as 'special students' before formally applying to the program. **The next intake for the Thesis Stream is scheduled for July, 2016. The application deadline is February 15, 2016.**

The **Nurse Practitioner Stream** prepares nurses to practice in Primary Health Care settings with individuals across the life span, families, communities, and populations to promote wellness, prevent illness and injury, and diagnose and treat acute and chronic illnesses. Students must complete 13 required courses, 700 clinical hours, as well as a Synthesis paper. This stream has an intake of up to 5 students every 2 years. The program is **now completed in 3 years and students may work while taking the program.** Nurses are required to have 2 years of practice before applying. **The next intake for the NP Stream is scheduled for July, 2017. The application deadline is February 15, 2017.**

For course descriptions go to the UPEI Academic Calendar at:

[www.upei.ca/studentlife/registrar/academic-calendar](http://www.upei.ca/studentlife/registrar/academic-calendar) or a program overview at:  
[www.upei.ca/programsandcourses/master-nursing](http://www.upei.ca/programsandcourses/master-nursing)

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