ACCELERATED NURSING PROGRAM
A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY, HASTINGS COLLEGE
AND MARY LANNING MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

Begin with your bachelor’s degree from Hastings College

Most Hastings College students complete a Liberal Arts Program that includes at least one recognized major field and a series of general education requirements. Hastings College believes that students who receive a broad educational foundation are uniquely suited to meet the changing needs of our society.

The primary goal of the Liberal Arts Program at Hastings College is to stimulate intellectual curiosity and excitement essential to lifelong learning. Specifically, the goals aim to develop in students:

- an understanding of the ways of inquiry and the organization of knowledge, which characterize the different academic disciplines;
- an awareness of connections among the different academic disciplines that generate knowledge;
- an ability to communicate effectively through listening, speaking, reading, and writing;
- an experience and appreciation of the diversity of cultures in the United States and the world;

- an ability to make good and moral judgments, judgments made consciously and defensibly;
- a sense of personal responsibility for the cultivation of habits essential to life-long learning, community service, physical fitness, and optimum health.

While students can choose from 61 majors and still be able to complete the required courses for Creighton University Medical Center’s Accelerated Nursing Program curriculum, students who major in health systems will find this an excellent option. Strengths of the major, beyond meeting all admission criteria, include:

- extended liberal arts program
- ability to have an additional major/minor
- quality physical and biological science background
- strong behavioral science background
- participation opportunities in athletics, forensics, music, and others.

Step up to a BSN from Creighton University School of Nursing

The Accelerated Nursing Program enables a college graduate with a baccalaureate degree to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree in 12 months. It is an intensive program of study that condenses a four-year program into one full year. Classes start each August.

The program:

- prepares excellent nurses who are strong in theoretical knowledge and clinical skills;
- provides an opportunity to change careers efficiently and effectively;
- promotes a climate that respects each person’s past experiences and builds on those strengths;
- has earned Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) Accreditation;
- has financial aid available to qualifying students;
- is one of only a few existing programs of this type in the nation.

The demand for well-educated nurses who can practice in a myriad of health care settings has skyrocketed. Creighton University gives its students the opportunity to meet challenges of the changing health care environment by helping them develop skills, knowledge and lifelong learning proficiency necessary to practice across multiple settings: critical care, outpatient care, public health, home care, and mental health, for example.

The care management model adopted by faculty has received national recognition. Accelerated students complete a seven-week preceptorship that enables them to work side-by-side with a BSN-prepared nurse.

Earn a degree from Hastings College, and enroll in the one-year Creighton University School of Nursing’s Accelerated Nursing Curriculum. Earn two degrees in five years!
Characteristics of the Accelerated Nursing Program student are:

- Goal-oriented
- Diverse educational background and life experiences
- Capable of self-directed learning
- Display problem-solving and critical thinking skills
- Capable of undertaking a rigorous academic load

Admission Requirements for the Accelerated Nursing Program

Students must apply and be accepted by Creighton University to enroll in the Accelerated Nursing program. Complete the application online at http://nursing.creighton.edu. Baccalaureate degree with a GPA of 3.0 or greater:

- 3 semester hours of sociology
- 3 semester hours of general psychology
- 3 semester hours of lifespan development or developmental psychology
- 3 semester hours of ethics
- 2 semester hours of nutrition
- 8 semester hours of chemistry
- 4 semester hours of microbiology
- 4 semester hours of anatomy
- 4 semester hours of physiology

Hastings College health systems major includes all of the required courses listed above.

Prerequisite classes can be taken at any accredited college or university and must be pre-approved.

International Students: TOEFL score of 600 Paper-Based Test, 250 Computer-Based Test, or 100 for the Internet-Based Test required.

Hastings College

Hastings College is a private, undergraduate, four-year, residential, Presbyterian-related, liberal arts college dedicated to high academic and cultural standards. Recognized as a National Liberal Arts College by U.S. News & World Report, Hastings College is listed in Barron’s 300 Best Buys in College Education and as one of the top 58 liberal arts schools in the country by the National Review.

Creighton University

Creighton University, founded in 1878, is on the forefront as one of the finest Jesuit Catholic universities in the United States. Creighton has been ranked at or near the top of Midwestern universities in the U.S. News & World Report magazine’s “America's Best Colleges” edition for more than a decade. While the University is located in Omaha, Nebraska, the School of Nursing has a campus in Hastings, located in Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital’s Medical Services Building.

Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital

Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital (MLMH) is a regional health system committed to a tradition of excellence through leadership in the provision of quality medical services and health education for the people of central Nebraska. MLMH offers partial tuition scholarships/employment contracts for Creighton University Accelerated Nursing program students.

Make the Right Choice

Only one School of Nursing offers you one of the nation’s most successful and longest running accelerated nursing programs paired with the advantages of a degree from Creighton University. Our rigorous one year curriculum recognizes each person’s past experiences and success in prerequisite courses and builds on those strengths. You will attend classes full-time. Classes start each August on the Creighton University-Mary Lanning Campus.

Accelerated Nursing Program graduates consistently exceed national pass rates on the registered nurse (RN) licensure examination (NCLEX).