The Master of Science in Nursing degree program offered at Mennonite College of Nursing is designed to prepare nurses to function in selected advanced practice nursing roles. The program builds on the generalist base of a baccalaureate program which focuses on nursing practice with individuals, groups, and community systems.

**Purposes**

- Prepare nurses for advanced practice in health care;
- Prepare graduates to assume leadership roles within the health care system at the regional, state, and national levels;
- Prepare nurses who can identify researchable problems, participate in conducting research, and promote the use of research findings in practice; and
- Provide the foundation for doctoral study.

**Outcome Objectives**

The graduate of the master’s degree program will:

- Demonstrate advanced knowledge and skills in an area of nursing practice;
- Demonstrate excellence in nursing practice by utilizing the processes of scientific inquiry;
- Critically evaluate theories and models from nursing and related disciplines for application to nursing practice;
- Provide leadership which reflects an understanding of the health care delivery system;
- Demonstrate a commitment to compassionate, professional caring through collaborative endeavors with clients and other health care providers;
- Respond to the social, economic, political, ethical, and professional issues affecting nursing practice; and
- Demonstrate the ability to communicate a level appropriate for teaching learning, public speaking, and professional writing.