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Belmont Abbey College Launches Updated MSN Program to Train Future Nurse Educators

Belmont, N.C. (July 8, 2025) – Belmont Abbey College announces the enhancement of its Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program, now specifically designed to train the next generation of nursing educators through the Nurse Educator track. As the demand for skilled healthcare professionals reaches unprecedented levels, there is a critical need for knowledgeable and compassionate nurse educators to lead the way.

The MSN Nurse Educator program focuses on developing advanced competencies in teaching, curriculum development, and assessment strategies tailored for nursing education. By emphasizing a comprehensive educational approach, the program prepares graduates to take on pivotal roles in academia, healthcare facilities, and educational service companies.

Students deepen their professional growth and help shape the next generation of nurses by focusing on the educational side of nursing. The program opens pathways to careers in academia, staff development, and clinical education, filling a critical gap in today's healthcare landscape.

Entirely online, the Master of Science in Nursing program seamlessly integrates advanced nursing concepts, evidence-based practice, and leadership grounded in Catholic and Benedictine values. Designed with working nurses in mind, the online format allows students to balance their studies with personal and professional responsibilities. Graduates leave with a strong foundation for continued studies at the doctoral level and a deep commitment to ethical leadership and service.

"Our online MSN – Nurse Educator program offers nurses a meaningful way to advance their careers while making a lasting impact on the future of healthcare," said Dr. Lee-Ann Kenny, Chair and Program Director of Nursing for Belmont Abbey College. "Through a curriculum rooted in Catholic and Benedictine values, we prepare nurse educators to lead with both expertise and compassion, equipping them to meet the growing need for skilled educators in today's dynamic healthcare landscape."

Applications are now open for the upcoming semester. To learn more or begin the application process, visit <u>belmontabbeycollege.edu/msn</u> or contact <u>admissions@bac.edu</u>.

About Belmont Abbey College: Founded in 1876, Belmont Abbey College is a private, Catholic baccalaureate and liberal arts institution. Our mission is to educate students in the liberal arts and sciences so that in all things God may be glorified. Guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition and the Benedictine spirit of prayer and learning, we welcome a diverse body of students and provide them with an education that will enable them to lead lives of integrity, to succeed professionally, to become responsible citizens, and to be a blessing to themselves and to others. Our beautiful and historic campus is conveniently located just 10 miles west of Charlotte, N.C., and is currently home to more than 1500 students. For more information, visit https://belmontabbeycollege.edu/.