# APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

## Master of Science in Nursing Program

### Deadlines for Application and Supporting Materials

- March 15 for Summer and Fall semesters
- October 1 for Spring semester
- Nurse anesthesia applicants must apply/submit credentials by June 1 to be reviewed for the following year (i.e., nurse anesthesia applications, along with supporting materials, must be submitted by June 1, 2019, to be considered for Summer 2020)

### To complete the application process, please do the following:

1. **Arrange for official transcripts** from each post-secondary college/university/school of nursing attended to be sent to the following address:

   CWRU School of Nursing  
   2120 Cornell Road  
   Cleveland, OH 44106-4904  
   Attn: Yakelin Tepale

2. **Upload the following information with your online application.** *(NOTE: If you are unable to upload these documents, please send them directly to the FPB Admissions Coordinator by mail at the address in #1 or by email at admissionsfpb@case.edu)*

   - **3 Recommenders** *(names and email addresses)*  
     We recommend RNs in supervisory positions at your current place of employment, professional colleagues who have earned advanced nursing degrees, and nursing instructors. **The preference is for nurses who know your clinical work.**

   - **Essay**  
     Please develop two paragraphs, each of about 250 words (half page, single-spaced, 12-point font), that inform the admission committee about your goals and yourself using the following prompts: *(Continued on next page...)*

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1. Reflecting on your career progress and goals, what is your reason for applying to this particular program at this time?

2. Tell the admissions committee something about yourself that is not apparent from your application. Consider describing an event or experience you think would positively influence our decision

• Nurse Anesthesia Applicants Only – Please also include the following in your essay:
  o What shift do you work, and how many days per week do you work? Why did you choose that shift?
  o Consider your current practice environment:
    ▪ In what area of your practice do you feel your knowledge base is strongest?
    ▪ In what area of your practice do you feel your knowledge base is weakest and what have you done to strengthen your knowledge in this area.
  o Describe a time that you made an error in judgment.

• Resume or CV
  Include employment history, military service, academic and professional fellowships, memberships, and publications.

3. To apply to the MSN Program, click here.

Have a credit card available to submit your $75.00 application fee, if applicable. The Apply Now link takes you directly to our online application. If you are applying for the MSN Program, please select the following choices when in the application on the Enrollment Information tab:

• Select “Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)” from the Academic Program dropdown list

• Select “MSN” from the Degree dropdown list

• Select the appropriate major that you would like to study within the program from the Major 1 dropdown list. If you desire to study two majors, select the second major from the Major 2 dropdown list. You may also choose subspecialties for certain majors.
4. GRE/MAT scores are not required for application. While GRE/MAT test scores are not required to apply, the scores may be requested for an admission decision.

- The exception to this are applicants for joint degree MSN/MA in Anthropology, and joining MSN/MA in Bioethics, who should take the GRE. Applicants for the joint degree MSN/MPH may take either the GRE or MAT.

Official scores for either the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) or Graduate Record Examination (GRE) must be sent to Case Western Reserve University, Nursing Department. MAT: www.milleranalogies.com or 1-800-622-3231; in Cleveland, call CWRU 216-368-1030 or CSU 216-687-2272. GRE: www.gre.org; in Cleveland, call CWRU 216-368-1030.

- International applicants should take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
- Nurse Anesthesia applicants must submit CCRN

If you have questions:

Phone: 216-368-2529
Email: admissionsfpb@case.edu

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