



# Kitty DeGree School of Nursing

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## CLINICAL NURSE LEADER

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### CLINICAL NURSE LEADER CAREERS

- Chief Nurse Officer
- Chief Executive
- Administrator

### NATIONAL SALARY AVERAGES

According to ZipRecruiter (2024), the average annual salary for CNLs is \$89,949

### PROGRAM COSTS

Total tuition for the entire program is \$19,000 or \$500/credit hour.

### SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID ARE AVAILABLE

Request program information at:  
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### ADVANCE YOUR NURSING CAREER

The Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) is a master's educated nurse, prepared for practice across a variety of healthcare settings. This advanced nursing specialty was developed in 2004 by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) in partnership with healthcare leaders in education and practice to address the critical need to improve quality and patient care outcomes.

### THE PROGRAM IS 100% ONLINE

You're a nurse with a busy career and homelife. Further your education with the University of Louisiana Monroe's online Master of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Gerontologic Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL). This program not only prepares you to lead quality safety improvement for adult patients, but it also gives you the flexibility to advance your career on your schedule. In just 24 months, you can complete the 38 hour credits and be prepared to thrive in the evolving healthcare environment.

### NATIONALLY RANKED PROGRAM

Healthcare leaders say ULM's Master of Science in Nursing - Gerontologic Clinical Nurse Leader program is one of the best in the nation. Ranked sixth in Healthcare Management's 2024 "20 Top Online Programs for Clinical Nurse Leadership Degrees Guide," this program is one you can trust.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Two years clinical nursing experience in any setting
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree from a nationally accredited school of nursing
- Unencumbered registered nurse license in the US
- Cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher on a 4.0 scale for your BSN program
- There is no requirement to take the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) unless your GPA is less than 2.8 for your BSN program.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

The application for the Summer 2025 Cohort is March 1, 2025.



Dr. Debra Craighead, CNL Track Leader



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When I saw ULM was offering a program I could do completely online, I thought, 'Why not? **It's probably one of the best things I could have done in terms of managing my time.** You go at your own pace. I finished in a little over a year, but you could also take two years to do it. I was excited to finish earlier than expected. I could spend time with family and then knock out five or six assignments at the same time. That was a plus for me.

– **Dakena Nelson, CNL**



The ULM School of Nursing is like family. You couldn't have a more caring group of individuals. As far as other programs across the country go, **you aren't going to find a more affordable program or place where people will work with you on a personal level like at ULM.** Whatever your concerns are, the program can address them. If you are worried about not being able to go full time, not being able to afford it or personal circumstances, they will work with you. I have run into almost every barrier you can think of, and school has never gotten in the way. I never regretted it for an instant.

– **Emily DeRousse McGarvey**

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