



NURSING and HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP

UNIVERSITY *of* WASHINGTON | TACOMA

University of Washington Tacoma, Nursing & Healthcare Leadership Tuition Exemption Policy

BACKGROUND

Per RCW.28B.15.558, eligible Washington State employees may exercise tuition exemption benefits for up to six (6) credits each quarter, on a space available basis. In winter quarter 2019, 43% of the current Master of Nursing (MN) students were exercising these benefits. Currently, these students must pay tuition for two fieldwork courses and credits taken as scholarly inquiry (7-12 credits of the program's 47-50 required credits for the degree).

REVISED TUITION EXEMPTION POLICY

The NCHL program tuition exemption policy is effective Autumn 2019. We are allowing tuition exemption eligible Washington State employees (as defined under RCW.28B.15.558) to enroll on a space available basis in four (4) core courses in the Master of Nursing (MN) degree program. These courses are required for both curriculum options in the MN degree. By keeping these courses open to tuition-exempt eligible students on a space available basis, the NCHL program will provide access to foundational coursework for those seeking an advanced degree in Nursing.

The core courses are:

- T NURS 510: Society and Health (3 credits)
- T NURS 527: Healthcare Systems and Health Policy (3 credits)
- T NURS 554: Informatics & Healthcare Technology (3 credits)
- T NURS 557: Population Health, Health Promotion, and Clinical Prevention (3 credits)

Consistent with our current practices, the two undergraduate programs, RN-BSN and BA with a major in Healthcare Leadership, would continue to offer tuition exemption on a space available

Space Availability Basis:

Class size maximums are carefully considered during the design of every course within the SOE. In order to maintain the academic integrity of each course and to ensure every student receives the resources needed to reach degree completion, class size maximums of all classes will be strictly adhered to. Additional class sections will not be added solely to accommodate students using tuition exemption.

Questions and Contact Information:

Please send any questions regarding the tuition exemption policy to the main School of Nursing & Healthcare Leadership email account at tnursing@uw.edu or at thealth@uw.edu. Along with your questions, please include your name, student ID, what program you are enrolled in, and your preferred method to receive a response to your questions. basis.