
Online Programs

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Thank you for your interest in Alvernia University Online!

Whether going back to earn a Master in Business Administration, Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree or adding a certification in special education, an Alvernia University Online education will further develop the critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills that organizations say they are looking for in employees.

Why Alvernia University Online?

While many universities prepare individuals for successful careers, Alvernia University Online prepares students to be extraordinary professionals who excel by integrating ethics, principles and social justice into their studies – it’s an approach engrained in our Franciscan heritage.

We are dedicated to providing a personalized experience and recognize that often times online students can feel isolated or lost in the shuffle. Our commitment to deliver a high-quality online education while maintaining a small university feel is our priority. And because of the convenient online format, students can learn at their own pace in any location that fits in their busy lives. This convenience and flexibility is key to helping students succeed.

All of our classes are taught by committed professors who have hands-on, practical experience in their respected fields; they bring real-world experience into the classroom to ground learning in a practical setting that is ideal to prepare students for success as working professionals.

At Alvernia University Online, we are more than a school. We are a community of learners and teachers working together to make the world a better place. I invite you to become a part of our community – you are welcome here!

Sincerely,

Daria LaTorre, J.D.
Dean, School of Graduate and Adult Education
Get ahead by going back.

If you’re ready for the next step in your career, an online degree from Alvernia University can help. You can study when and where you have the time, as you manage your work and personal commitments. You’ll gain the skills and knowledge you need to excel in your career—all in a supportive environment that’s designed to help you succeed.

Ready to get started or have questions?

Call 888-868-2289 or email onlineadmissions@alvernia.edu to speak with an enrollment counselor today.

Why Alvernia Online?

Alvernia combines a high-quality, practical education with the personal touch and attention of a small private university. And with the convenience and flexibility of learning online, you can learn when and where it works for you.

Discover the next step in your career with our online programs in business, nursing and education. Small class sizes and faculty with real-world experience means you’ll receive an education that is directly relevant to your career, with strategies you can apply immediately.

At Alvernia, we are committed to developing ethical leaders. As one of only 24 Franciscan institutions in the United States, our values-based learning philosophy is guided by the ideal of “knowledge joined with love” that shapes both our educational philosophy and strong community.

We hope you join us in making an impact.
### Online MBA

**About the Online MBA Program**
The Online MBA program at Alvernia places you alongside faculty and instructors that have real-world expertise. You’ll learn from them in a flexible, pragmatic and ethics-driven format that will open doors for you in the business world. A final project in the capstone course will help you put your skills into practice to grow as a leader and boost your resume.

**Graduate in One Year, Online***
The Online MBA from Alvernia can be completed in just one year. Study when and where you want, while still managing work and personal commitments. Our flexible, convenient online program is designed to help you succeed – fast.

### Accreditation
Alvernia’s Business Department programs are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) and by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

*Participants who begin their MBA in January 2015 may not be able to complete the program in 12 months. The one-year time to completion will be available starting Fall 2015.

### Required Interdisciplinary Courses (3 credits):
- COR 520 Ethics and Moral Leadership

### Required Business Courses (21-30 credits):
- MBA 502 Accounting for the Workplace (3 credits)*
- MBA 504 Management and Marketing (3 credits)*
- MBA 506 Economics and Finance (3 credits)*

*May be waived by MBA Admissions Committee based on graduate program policies.

- MBA 510 Managerial Accounting OR MBA 555, MBA 565, MBA 575, MBA 640*

*(Course selected may not also count as the student’s required elective)

### Select One Elective (3 credits):
- MBA 540 Labor and Employment Law
- MBA 555 Forensic Accounting
- MBA 560: Human Resource Management for Leaders
- MBA 565 Corporate Partnership and Estate Tax
- MBA 570 Strategic Marketing Research
- MBA 575 Investment and Portfolio Management
- MBA 600 Quantitative Methods
- MBA 640 Accounting for Government and Not-for-Profit Organizations
- MBA 650 Entrepreneurship and Economic Development

### Required Capstone Course (3 credits):
- MBA 680 Executive Leadership Seminar – taken in the final 12 credits

### Tuition
Online MBA tuition is $550 per credit hour.

### Admission Requirements
For entrance into the Online MBA program, you’ll need to:
- Complete an [application](#).
- Provide proof of a baccalaureate degree and official transcripts from all institutions attended.
- Provide three letters of recommendation.
- Write a one-page personal statement about the value of graduate education for your personal and professional goals.
- Provide a resume outlining your professional and educational experiences.
- Provide scores from a graduate entrance exam (optional).

Alvernia school code 2431.

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Upper Level Nursing Courses (31 credits):
- NUR 303 Preparation for Professional Writing
- NUR 307 Concepts and Theories
- NUR 316 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan for Professional Nurses
- NUR 318 Developing Cultural Competency and Global Awareness
- NUR 320 Introduction to Healthcare Informatics
- NUR 403 Health Restoration in the Aging Population
- NUR 405 Health Promotion in Families and Communities
- NUR 411 Nursing Leadership and Management
- NUR 419 Research Methods for Professional Nurses

Tuition
Online RN to BSN tuition is $440 per credit hour.

Admission Requirements
For entrance into the online RN to BSN Completion Program, you’ll need to:
- Complete an application.
- Submit official transcript of high school grades or GED scores.
- Submit official transcript of college and/or diploma school.
- Submit a photocopy of current Pennsylvania Registered Nurse License (submit after NCLEX is completed).

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Online Certification
Special Education
Grades PreK – 8 and 7 – 12

About the Online Certification in Special Education
The need for teachers with skills in special education is growing exponentially. Now, with our certification in special education, you’ll gain a credential that can instantly improve your marketability as a teacher and help you more successfully manage your classroom. This program is designed for licensed teachers to add to their qualifications. Complete the program in just one year, 100% online. This is one of the only programs in the state designed for secondary school educators, so you’ll learn the specific skills needed for this older age group.

Courses (27 Credits):
- MED 505 Introduction to Individuals with Special Needs (Required first course)
- MED 515 Differentiated Instruction in Inclusive Classrooms
- MED 522 Practicum (30 hours)
- MED 523 Practicum (30 hours)
- MED 535 Collaboration and Legal Issues in Special Education
- MED 542 Assessment & Instruction of Students with Developmental Disabilities
- MED 544 Transition & Instruction for Adolescents with Special Needs
- MED 545 Social Development & Behavior Support
- MED 605 Enhancing Literacy for Students with Special Needs

Tuition
Online Special Education Certification tuition is $550 per credit hour.

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Developing Hearts and Skills
As a special education teacher, you’ll connect with students and transform their lives. At Alvernia, we’ll show you how to develop that connection and make a difference. And we’ll equip you with the knowledge and skills to help you reach that point. Our experienced faculty and practical assignments will give you real-world lessons you can apply immediately.

Admission Requirements
For entrance into the Online Special Education Certification program, you’ll need to:
- Complete an application.
- Verification of Valid Pennsylvania Instructional I or II Teaching Certification
- Provide proof of a baccalaureate degree and official transcripts from all institutions attended.
- Provide three letters of recommendation.
- Write a one-page personal statement about the value of graduate education for your personal and professional goals.
- Provide a resume outlining your professional and educational experiences.

You must also have the following background checks and clearances, which are required prior to all field experience placements:
- Act 34 — Child Abuse
- Act 114 — FBI Fingerprinting Background Check
- Act 151 — PA Criminal Background Check
- Tuberculosis Screening
ALVERNIA UNIVERSITY: TRANSCRIPT RELEASE FORM

TRANSCRIPT RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

I authorize my official transcripts to be sent to Alvernia University C/O The Learning House and allow any necessary follow-up to acquire said transcripts listed below.

Applicant’s Signature: ______________________ Date: ________________

Legal Name: _______________________________________________________
   First                     Last                     Maiden                     other

Permanent Address: _____________________________________________
   Street  City  State  Zip

Date of Birth: ______ - ______ - ______ Social Security Number or Student ID Number: ________-______-_______

Phone __________________________ Email ________________________________

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Have more schools for us to request? Please use additional sheets.

Return official transcript materials to:
   Alvernia University
   C/O The Learning House
   801 East Park Drive, Suite 105
   Harrisburg, PA 17111
   Or email transcripts@learninghouse.com

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