What Does Being an Adjunct Nursing Clinical Instructor Entail?

La Crosse Medical Health Science Consortium (LMHSC) Collaboration

The LMHSC’s mission is “Fostering collaboration for healthier communities.” The LMHSC is a collaborative effort founded by: Gundersen Health System, Mayo Clinic Health System - Franciscan Healthcare, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, Viterbo University, and Western Technical College. In addition, community partnerships have been strengthened through various LMHSC projects. Many of these projects focus on education/healthcare collaborations.

Viterbo University, Western Technical College and Winona State University have developed a partnership to create an adjunct nursing faculty pool. The intent is for joint recruitment, joint training and sharing of faculty to ensure the next generations of nurses are educated for our future workforce.

### Adjunct definition

An adjunct faculty person is hired on a contractual basis to teach a specific course for a specified amount of time (partial or full semesters). Contracts are issued on a semester/year basis and are not guaranteed from one semester/year to the next.

### General requirements for hire

- **Education:**
  - Viterbo University: Masters in Nursing (MSN) or currently enrolled & maintained enrollment in MSN
  - Western Technical College: MSN or currently enrolled & maintained enrollment in MSN
  - Winona State University: MSN or enrolled in MSN preferred, Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) considered
- **RN license in good standing**
  - Viterbo University: WI required; MN required if clinical in MN
  - Western Technical College: WI RN license or compact state
  - Winona State University: MN required; WI required if clinical in WI
- **Minimum experience of two years as a practicing RN**
- **Background check**
- **CPR, immunizations, etc.**

***Please note:*** if applying for a lab technician or simulation lab adjunct position one will need a RN license, but may not need a MSN.

### Course Information

- Clinical based course
- Half or full semester(s)

### Responsibilities could include

- Collaborative communication
- Coaching and mentoring
- Clinical teaching
- Active supervision
- Evaluation
**Locations**

- Gundersen Health System
- Mayo Clinic Health System (Rochester)
- Mayo Clinic Health System – Franciscan Healthcare (La Crosse)
- Simulation Lab
- Winona Health
- Various rural hospitals
- Various home health, public health and long term care facilities

**Patient populations**

- Community Health
- Gerontology
- Maternity
- Medical Surgical
- Mental Health
- Pediatrics
- Public Health

**Semesters available**

- Fall
- Spring
- Summer

**Next steps to apply**

Further information available on [website](#)

**Links to Respective School of Nursing Sites**

- [Viterbo University](#)
- [Western Technical College](#)
- [Winona State University](#)

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