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WGU's CCNE-Approved Nursing Programs Have Doubled in One Year

Salt Lake City — Enrollment in Western Governors University's competency-based undergraduate and graduate degree programs in nursing passed the 1,000-student mark this month, growing by more than 100 percent since March of 2009.

WGU's flexible and affordable online nursing degree programs are designed to meet the needs of working nurses. Rather than attending traditional classes and earning credit hours, students are required to demonstrate their knowledge and competency by writing papers, completing assignments, and taking exams.

"WGU's nursing programs are growing so rapidly because they address the needs of working nurses who want to advance their careers by advancing their education," said Mary Anne Rea-Ramirez, WGU's Director of Nursing Programs.

WGU's College of Health Professions offers six nursing degree programs as well as a B.S. in Health Informatics and an M.B.A. in Healthcare Management. Programs include:

- B.S. Nursing (RN to BSN online)
B.S. Nursing (Prelicensure, limited availability in CA and TX)
B.S. Health Informatics
M.S. Nursing—Education (for RNs with BSNs)
M.S. Nursing—Leadership and Management (for RNs with BSNs)
M.S. Nursing—Education (RN to MSN Option)
M.S. Nursing—Leadership and Management (RN to MSN Option)
M.B.A. Healthcare Management

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