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Online, competency-based university helps nurses advance their careers with \$500 scholarships

SALT LAKE CITY — In celebration of National Nurses Week next month, Western Governors University (WGU), www.wgu.edu, is encouraging licensed RNs to earn their bachelor's or master's degree in nursing online with the new [Nurses Lead the Way Scholarship](#).

The Nurses Lead the Way Scholarship is designed for nurses who are ready to advance their education with a bachelor's or master's degree in nursing or an MBA in Healthcare Management. Recipients will receive \$500 toward their first term at WGU.

The WGU BSN and MSN degree programs, like all of WGU's online, accredited, competency-based degree programs, were designed for working adults looking to advance their careers in an educational setting that fits with their busy lives. WGU uses technology to facilitate education in ways that work for individual learners, allowing them to study, complete assignments, and take assessments on their schedule and at their pace. Competency-based learning allows students to advance through their programs as soon as they're able to demonstrate mastery of the material—competencies that are defined by academic and industry experts to reflect the latest needs of the marketplace. Because WGU measures learning rather than time spent in class and charges tuition at a flat rate per term regardless of how many courses are completed, professionals with knowledge and skills from work and previous college experience can often move through their programs more quickly, saving both time and money.

To be eligible for the Nurses Lead the Way scholarship, students must be licensed registered nurses, have completed an application for admission, and be successfully admitted to WGU. Applicants will also interview with a WGU scholarship counselor as part of the application process. Degree programs eligible for this scholarship include:

- B.S. Nursing (RN to BSN online)
- 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)
- M.S. Nursing—Leadership and Management (RN to MSN)
- MBA Healthcare Management

While WGU will award several scholarships, the Nurses Lead the Way Scholarship is a competitive program. Scholarships will be awarded based on academic record, financial need, readiness for online study, and current competency. The application deadline is May 31, 2014. For more information on the Nurses Lead the Way Scholarship, visit www.wgu.edu/nurseslead.

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—Tom Costello
NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams

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Why We Are Different

WGU has an innovative learning model for helping working adults earn bachelor's and master's degrees. Learn more about how it can help you.

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