Our program will prepare you for an expanded role as a Legal Nurse Consultant with limitless potential for career satisfaction. **Legal Nurse Consultants** can be Registered Nurses or Advanced Practice Nurses with expertise in a variety of areas, such as med-surg, obstetrics, emergency room, quality assurance, cardiovascular, and many more. After taking the course, LNCs will be able to enhance their current practice with expert knowledge, and may also have opportunities such as reviewing medical records for an attorney, working for a hospital risk assessment office or working as an independent consultant.

After 2000 hours of practice, eligible nurses are able to sit for a certification exam and earn the legal nurse consultant credential, LNCC.

### Why UR School of Nursing?

With an education from the UR School of Nursing, you will be prepared for the future of health care. We think deeply about the future of the nursing profession in a constantly evolving health care industry. Our faculty are thought leaders in their fields, breaking ground on new solutions for health care's biggest challenges. Our top-notch academic programs are tailored to meet the future needs of a highly integrated health care system.

The health of our communities depends on a strong and diverse nursing workforce. The UR School of Nursing is dedicated to helping you become the nurse that you want to be—and offers you the resources and challenges you need so you can make a difference and improve patient care.

### Program Highlights

- Offers a unique internship experience working on real cases
- Prepares nurses to improve patient care in their current roles
- Provides an opportunity to learn and network with experts in the legal, insurance, and nursing fields
- Provides vital, practical knowledge on using nursing expertise in collaboration with legal experts

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What does the in-class session involve?
During the in-class session students will gain a comprehensive understanding of the medico-legal process. Practicing legal nurse consultants, attorneys, insurance professionals, risk management professionals, judges, and law enforcement officers will share their expertise on the role of the LNC, the work product that is expected, evaluating personal injury or medical malpractice claims, and the roles risk management and insurance companies play in litigation and litigation prevention. Students will also learn about the court system and specifically about types of law such as no-fault law, techniques for locating and working with expert witnesses, lifecare planning, elder law and nursing home litigation.

How do I complete my internship hours?
Once students have received their internship assignment from our internship coordinator, they will work on a case or cases with an attorney or other appropriate LNC preceptor. Students will apply the principles learned in the didactic portion of the class to interpret and analyze relevant medical information related to a claim or case, and formulate a well-written, comprehensive document to assist the legal process. This can be started in the same semester as the didactic course, and will be completed the following semester.

What does a Legal Nurse Consultant do?
- Identify, organize and analyze pertinent medical records
- Prepare a summary of documentation in medical records
- Identify applicable standards of care in medical malpractice cases
- Identify, screen and facilitate review by expert witnesses
- Evaluate case strengths and weaknesses
- Draft or analyze medical portions of legal documents
- Evaluate causation and damages issues
- Educate attorneys and clients regarding relevant medical issues
- Identify plaintiff’s future medical needs and associated costs
- Attend independent medical exams
- Serve as a nurse expert witness
- Perform cost of care estimates for long term care treatment and catastrophic case management scenarios
- Locate or prepare demonstrative evidence for trial
- Assist with preparation for and support during deposition, trial or ADR

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