Endicott offers nursing Master degree

Endicott College has announced that it will offer a fifth year Master degree program in nursing. For students who enroll in the undergraduate Bachelor of Science program in nursing, they will be able to fulfill some requirements toward their Master of Science degree in nursing during their senior year. Current juniors will be the first class who will be able to enroll in this program. This will allow Endicott nursing students to obtain a Master's degree with a concentration in nursing education or nursing administration by studying for only one additional year at Endicott.

The MS program builds on the knowledge and skill of Endicott's baccalaureate nursing program. The 5 year program will provide graduates a unique opportunity to advance their knowledge and skill with an emphasis on a higher level of critical thinking, and standards of profes-

sional practice, theory, and research in their selected area of concentration. The MS concentrations available to the 5th year students respond to the state and national shortages of nurse educators and nurse administrators.

In order to qualify for this program, a student must apply during their junior year and meet certain criteria. Once criteria are met, the student will take two master level courses in their senior year. After successfully passing the state licensing examination, students will continue the 5th year for the MS degree in the summer following their baccalaureate graduation. Courses will be offered as a hybrid model which blends online and face to face classroom learning.

If you would like further information about this program, contact: Dr. Mary Findeisen, director of the Graduate Nursing Program at 978-232-2332 or at mfindeis@endicott.edu. Information on this program can also be found at endicott.edu/gradprof.aspx.