

NCWU MASTER'S PROGRAMS

ONLINE VS. EXECUTIVE RESIDENCY

Here's a quick summary of the key differences between the Online Graduate Program and the Executive Residency Program at North Carolina Wesleyan University (NCWU):

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMS OVERVIEW		
	Online Graduate Program	Executive Residency Program
FORMAT	Fully online , offering maximum flexibility for working professionals or remote learners.	Online , with only one concentrated weekend residency per semester on main campus.
AUDIENCE	Ideal for students who prefer a 100% virtual learning experience.	Ideal for students who prefer an in-person learning experience. Visa approved program for international students. Day 1 CPT available.
STRUCTURE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 and 8-week terms • Courses are delivered asynchronously or synchronously online, allowing students to complete coursework on their own schedule • 30-42 credits; 12-15 months to complete 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year round program • Three courses per semester, 7 credit hours • Total of 30-35 credits; approx. 20 months to complete
RESIDENCY	No in-person attendance required.	Required in-person attendance for one weekend per semester. See website for dates.
PROGRAMS OFFERED	Includes degrees like MBA, MS in IT Management, MS in Strategic Leadership, MS in Criminal Justice, MS in Public Health.	Includes Executive MBA , Executive MSITM and Executive MSSL

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS:

- Completed NCWU **Graduate Application**
NOTE: *International applicants must complete International Graduate Application.*
- **Minimum 2.5 cumulative undergraduate GPA:** *Applicants with a GPA below 2.5 may still be considered based on other application materials.*
- **Official Undergraduate Transcripts:** *Submit official transcripts from: undergraduate program, showing degree conferral and graduate coursework, if applicable. [International Institutions will require a completed evaluation by approved evaluation agency.](#)*
- **Resume with Two References:** *Include a current resume listing two professional or academic references. Letters of recommendation may be requested.*
- **Statement of Purpose:** *A written statement outlining your academic and professional goals.*
- **English Proficiency Exam Results** *(only if undergraduate degree is not from a US institution)*
- **NOTE:** *Some programs require specific requirements such as undergraduate coursework or related work experience.*



Apply today!

For more information on graduate programs, contact:

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