

NURSING RN-BSN

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (NURSR)

Features of Distinction

More than 50 years' experience educating over 3,000 nurses;

Innovative and accessible courses intentionally designed to meet diverse health care needs of the community;

Associate Degree Nursing students may enroll in Health Sciences courses prior to graduation;

Up to 50 credit hours awarded for current active, unencumbered RN license;

May be completed in one calendar year (three academic semesters);

Solid educational foundation for career mobility, graduate education and further academic study;

Faculty have professional nursing expertise in diverse health care settings; and,

Extensive set of electronic libraries, books, journals and databases accessible online and on mobile devices.

End of Program Learning Outcomes (EPSLO)

The National League for Nursing (NLN) Educational Competencies Model revolves around four outcome areas: Human Flourishing, Nursing Judgment, Professional Identify and Spirit of Inquiry.

The Nursing Department has identified End of Program Student Learning Outcomes for each outcome area.

Graduates of the RN-BSN program will demonstrate achievement of the following:

Outcome 1: Human Flourishing. Create a plan of care through collaboration with the patient or designee that respects the diversity of the patient's individual values and needs.

Outcome 2: Nursing Judgement. Analyze judgments made in practice, substantiating them with evidence that uses the nursing process to integrate nursing science with the provision of safe, effective care.

Outcome 3: Professional Identity. Implement their role as a nurse in ways that reflect integrity, responsibility, and ethical practice.

Outcome 4: Spirit of Inquiry. Apply current best practices to plan, implement, and evaluate safe and effective patient care.

Admission Requirements

Students must gain general admission to the University of Charleston. Applicants must be a registered professional nurse (RN) with an active, unencumbered or temporary RN license, have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better, and submit an

application to the RN-BSN program along with a copy of all college transcripts. All transcripts will be reviewed by the university Registrar to determine transfer equivalency.

Graduation Requirements

Graduation from the RN-BSN program requires completion of all course work with a grade of “C” or better.

Curriculum

The RN-BSN program consists of 120 credit hours. This program requires completion of 30 hours of upper division credits. All predetermined coursework must be successfully completed prior to initiating NURSR courses.

RN-BSN Bachelor's Degree Nursing Program

120 Credit Hours

Active, Unencumbered RN License

(Up to) 50 Credit Hours

Foundational Courses

40 Credit Hours

Course	Title	Credit Hours
BIOL 212L	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology Lab	1
ENGL 101	Freshman Writing I	3
ENGL 102	Freshman Writing II	3
PSYC 212	Life-Span Development	3
SPCH 103	Oral Communications	3
Electives	24	
Prerequisite Required Courses– Credit Hours		37

Course	Title	Credit Hours
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NURSR 402	Prevention and Population Health	4
NURSR 404	Intro to Nursing Research	3

NURSR 410	Leadership and Health Policy	4
RN-BSN Required Courses - Credit Hours		15

Health Science Required Courses		
Course	Course Title	Credit Hours
HSCI 110	History of Health Sciences	3
HSCI 230	Interprofessional Practice and Collaboration	3
HSCI 302	Health Ethics and Policy	3
HSCI 310	Intro to Health Informatics	3
HSCI 312	Statistics for Evidence Based Practice	3
HSCI Required Courses –Credit Hours		15

Student Achievement Data

NCLEX-RN Licensure Passage Rates (2023):

- **ADN (Beckley): 94.4%**
- **ADN (Charleston): 86.1%**
- **BSN: 100%**

Program Completion Rates (2023):

- **ADN (Beckley): 45.2%**
- **ADN (Charleston): 57.8%**
- **BSN: 41.9%**
- **RN-BSN: 80%**