RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Competency-Based)

Complete in less than 12 months and for under $10,000

Self-governed, with the assistance of your faculty practitioners and faculty mentor, this program is designed for working professionals who have an associate degree in nursing, an unencumbered RN license and one year of professional experience.

What is competency-based education?

CBE degree programs emphasize the mastery of skills and proficiency requirements for specific fields, industries and jobs. The application of that theory through projects and assignments allows students to demonstrate their understanding of the curricular components in an outcome that can yield a tangible result. You’ll take approximately four courses every 16 weeks, moving through the content with the completion of authentic assessments evaluated by your faculty practitioners.

This program gives you even more flexibility to balance school around your life. More importantly, it means every competency you master doesn’t just bring you closer to graduation — it’s another skill you can use in the workplace.

You’ll learn how to:

- Apply clinical reasoning and clinical judgment using evidence-based practice
- Manage healthcare resources
- Apply leadership and management skills
- Practice in community and public health settings
- Integrate professional standards and ethical and legal conduct throughout nursing practice
Projected job growth:

12%
According to Bureau of Labor Statistics

**What can you do with a RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Competency-Based) degree?**

A BSN-CB can prepare you to be a:

- Charge nurse
- Director of nursing

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, job growth for registered nurses is projected to be much faster than average between 2018 and 2028.

BLS projections are not specific to University of Phoenix students or graduates.

**Programmatic accreditation**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Master of Science in Nursing programs at University of Phoenix are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and this program is aligned with leading industry organizations, such as:

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN®)
- American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)
- Quality & Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN)

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Total credits required: 120

Requirements and prerequisites

In a competency-based program, you earn credit by demonstrating your knowledge of a core skill, or competency. Since there are 33 credits in this program, one competency equals one credit.

11 Core Courses

- NSGCB/302: PROFESSIONAL CONTEMPORARY NURSING ROLE AND PRACTICE
- NSGCB/416: THEORETICAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORKS
- HSNCB/376: HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR NURSING
- NSGCB/451: PROFESSIONAL NURSING LEADERSHIP PERSPECTIVES
- NSGCB/456: RESEARCH OUTCOMES MANAGEMENT FOR THE PRACTICING NURSE
- NSGCB/426: INTEGRITY IN PRACTICE: ETHIC AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS
- HSNCB/476: HEALTHCARE POLICY AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
- NSGCB/468: INFLUENCING QUALITY WITHIN HEALTHCARE
- NSGCB/486: PUBLIC HEALTH: HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION
- NSGCB/482: PROMOTING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES
- NSGCB/498: SENIOR LEADERSHIP PRACTICUM

Note: This program includes additional admissions requirements:

- An Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)*
- A valid, unrestricted/unencumbered RN license
- One year of full-time post high school clinical-based RN work experience within the past five years

*Speak to an Enrollment Representative for additional requirement information.

Schedule

Your academic counselor will help schedule your courses for a Registered Nurse (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Competency-Based).

What you'll learn

When you earn your online Registered Nurse (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Competency-Based), you’ll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

Download learning outcomes

Topics covered in this degree include:
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- Evidence-based holistic patient care
- Health promotion for diverse individuals, families and populations
- Professional standards and ethical and legal conduct
- Health policy to influence quality patient care
- Patient care communication and healthcare information technology
- Interprofessional care coordination strategies

While widely available, not all programs are available in all locations or in both online and on-campus formats. Please check with a University Enrollment Representative.