RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), accredited by the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)*, is a program designed to develop the professional knowledge and skills of registered nurses. The curriculum builds on a foundation of biological, physical, and social sciences, which contribute to the science of nursing. The liberal arts components enhance the development of the intellectual, social, and cultural aspects of the professional nurse. This baccalaureate program includes behavioral objectives that concentrate on the development of the nurse’s role as researcher, practitioner, and leader. Using human caring as a framework, registered nurses are prepared as generalists who are able to apply critical thinking, professional skills, and knowledge to patient outcomes and health care systems. *The Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Master of Science in Nursing programs at the University of Phoenix are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.

You'll learn how to:
Projected job growth:

12%
According to Bureau of Labor Statistics

What can you do with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing?

An RN to BSN can prepare you to be a:

- Charge nurse
- Public health 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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Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits* to complete this RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Your course schedule may vary based on transferable credits or credits earned through the University’s Prior Learning Assessment.

33 Required Course of Study Credits (11 core courses)

Here's where you'll pick up the majority of your program-specific knowledge. By the time you finish these courses, you should have the confidence and skills needed in this field.

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

47 General Education Credits

These lay the foundation for all our degree programs. Because communication, math and writing skills aren’t just universally applicable in nursing — they’re useful in daily life.

• SCI/220T: HUMAN NUTRITION
• SCI/163T: ELEMENTS OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS
• ENV/100T: PRINCIPLES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

40 Lower Division Nursing Credits

Students receive 40 lower division nursing credits for having their active, unencumbered RN licensure.

What you’ll learn

When you earn your RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing, 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

**Schedule**

Both the on campus and online RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing feature the same courses, and your academic advisor will help you schedule them. Please note that on campus students are required to physically attend class one day a week, typically from 6-10 pm.

**Program Purpose Statement**

The Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing is a post-licensure education program designed for nurses with active, unencumbered RN licensure who wish to obtain a bachelor’s degree in the professional field of nursing. The program is designed to develop the professional knowledge and skills of registered nurses and prepare them as generalists who are able to apply critical thinking, professional skills and knowledge to patient outcomes and healthcare systems.