

Approx. program length:

**14 months**

Credits:

**120**

Cost per credit:

**\$350**

[Tuition Guarantee](#)

Format:

**Online & campus**

## Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Prepare to enhance your nursing practice, faster. Courses in the RN to BSN program are 5 weeks long. Equip yourself with professional, post-licensure nursing skills while balancing the demands of work and life.

\*Those transferring an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) may complete their program in 14 months. At the time of official evaluation students will be awarded 87 total credits from their ADN and valid unrestricted/unencumbered RN license. RNs without an ADN transfer will be awarded 40 total credits and may complete their degree in 2.5 years.

### Top skills learned in this program:

- Business Management for Nursing Professionals
- Communications
- Compassion in Population Health
- Coordinating Safe Care
- Critical Thinking and Holistic Nursing
- Health Administration
- Information Management and Communication
- Leadership
- Professionalism in the Nursing Field
- Quality Improvement and Case Management
- Strategic Planning

Projected job growth:

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**6%**

According to [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

## What can you do with a BSN?

A BSN can prepare you to be a:

- Charge Nurse
- Public Health Nurse (PHN)
- Director of Nursing (DON)

According to the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), job growth for registered nurses occupations is projected to be as fast as average between 2021 and 2031.

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

## Programmatic Accreditation

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing, master's degree program in nursing, and Doctor of Nursing Practice at the 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:

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**120**

## Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits\* to complete the BSN program. Your course schedule may vary based on transferable credits or credits earned through the University's Prior Learning Assessment.

### 33 Required BSN Program Course of Study Credits (11 core courses in nursing)

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.

- ENG/110: English Composition I
- ENG/210: English Composition II
- 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.

## Learning Outcomes

When you earn your BSN degree you'll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

You'll learn how to:

- Demonstrate evidence-based, holistic, patient centered care that reflects knowledge of the health-illness continuum.
- Implement appropriate health promotion and disease prevention strategies for diverse individuals, families, and populations across the life span.
- Demonstrate professional standards of moral, ethical, and legal conduct in health care industry.
- Apply leadership and organizational principles that promote safe health care delivery and nursing practice.
- Incorporate strategies that influence health policy at state, national, and international levels for the provision of safe, quality patient care.
- Integrate patient care communication and information technology systems in health care delivery to improve patient outcomes.
- Utilize interprofessional care coordination strategies to promote quality patient care.

## Schedule

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

## Program Purpose Statement

The RN to BSN program 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.