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NURSING (RN-BSN ONLINE PROGRAM) (BSN)

This program was approved for students entering the university in the Summer 2023−Spring 2024 catalog year. For more information about catalog year, go to Catalog Year Information (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/university-wide-unit-specific-policies/catalog-year/).

Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Unit: Nursing (http://www.louisville.edu/nursing/)
Academic Plan Code(s): NUR_BSNUDO

This program is for students who are already licensed Registered Nurses.

Program Information

***This program is completed* entirely online** *(http://louisville.edu/online/programs/bachelors/rn-to-bachelor-of-science-in-nursing/).*

This fully online program provides the flexibility working nurses need to balance working full-time with furthering your nursing education. Develop your expertise in nursing leadership, meet growing employer expectations, and expand your ability to work with diverse global populations in a variety of settings—without any campus requirement or set class times. Eight-week classes and a flexible curriculum path helps nurses maintain a successful work-life-education balance.

RN-BSN students must present official transcripts of coursework completed from all universities and schools attended.

Prospective students interested in a first-degree BSN program should refer to the Pre-Licensure Nursing (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/majors/nursing-pre-licensure-program-bsn/) program. Individuals with a bachelor's degree in another discipline, who are interested in pursuing a nursing degree, may pursue the traditional bachelor of science in nursing degree program or an accelerated second degree option.

Degree Summary

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) [1]		31
Ten (10) hours of General Education requirements may be satisfied through coursework required by the degree program.		
College/School Requirements (pre-professional courses) [1]		29
RN-BSN Core Courses [1]		31
Nursing Portfolio		30
Minimum Total Hours		**120**

[1] Some General Education requirements may be met in the requirements for the major or supporting coursework, in which case additional electives may be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

Specific coursework information can be found on the Degree Requirements tab.

Admission Requirements

The RN-BSN 100% online program is offered by the University of Louisville's School of Nursing for registered nurses who have an associate degree in nursing (ADN) or a nursing diploma.

Students may be admitted directly into the RN-BSN program if the admissions requirements are met. Students may be admitted for any term. Most of the curriculum is offered in eight-week terms.

To apply to the program, applicants must:

- Submit a University of Louisville undergraduate admissions application.
- Submit all official college transcripts to the Office of Admissions.

Admissions Requirements:

- Minimum cumulative college grade point average of 2.0 on 4.0 scale in all college work
- Unrestricted Registered Nurse license or eligibility to take the NCLEX
- Certified criminal background check required before clinical course. Details on the School of Nursing website

For more information on program requirements and how to apply, please visit the online programs website (http://louisville.edu/online/programs/bachelors/rn-to-bachelor-of-science-in-nursing/apply/).

General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) [1]		31
The following courses are required by the program and fulfill the respective General Education Requirement:		
MATH 109	Introduction to Social Statistics - QR (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
NURS 388	Global Health: Disparities and Social Determinants - SB (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), D2 (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	
Minimum Total Hours		**31**

All degrees require the completion of the University-wide General Education Program (link provided above). Some General Education requirements may be met in the requirements for the major or supporting coursework, in which case additional electives may be required to complete the minimum hours for the degree.

College/School Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Nursing Pre-Professional Courses		
BIOL 260	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3
BIOL 261	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3
BIOL 262	Human Anatomy & Physiology Lab	1
MATH 109	Introduction to Social Statistics - QR (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3

Free Electives [2]		varies
Minimum Total Hours		**29**

Note: Students must have a minimum total of 60 credit hours from the pre-professional curriculum (including General Education).

Program/Major Core

Code	Title	Hours
Online Nursing Courses		
NURS 355	Portfolio Equivalency	30
NURS 381	Foundations for Evidenced-Based Professional Nursing	3
NURS 382	Nursing Research for Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURS 383	Case Management of Individuals and Families	3
NURS 385	Nursing Leadership and Health Policy	4
NURS 387	Pathophysiology and Pharmacotherapeutics for RNs	4
NURS 388	Global Health: Disparities and Social Determinants - SB (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/), D2 (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)	3
NURS 470	Community Health Nursing	4
NURS 482	Health Promotion for Individuals, Families, and Communities	3
NURS 488	Leadership Project	2
NURS 476	Community Leadership Practicum - CUE (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) [3]	2
Minimum Total Hours		**61**

Code	Title	Hours
Minimum Total Hours, Degree Program		**120**

At least 30 of the last 36 credit hours must be completed at the University of Louisville.

All RN-BSN nursing courses are taught online. The 84-hour Community Leadership Practicum will be completed at a site of your choice in your local community.

Code	Title	Hours
Culminating Undergraduate Experience (Graduation Requirement)		
Requirement fulfilled by completing:		
NURS 476	Community Leadership Practicum - CUE (http://catalog.louisville.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/) [3]	

[1] Some courses required in this degree program satisfy multiple requirements. To complete the degree in the **minimum number of hours** listed, some hours from the General Education Requirements must be satisfied by courses defined by the unit and/or program.

[2] To complete the degree in the minimum number of hours listed, some hours from the General Education Requirements must be satisfied by courses defined by the unit and/or program. Using other courses to satisfy General Education requirements will require additional hours to complete the degree requirements (or decrease the listed electives).

[3] All courses are online, however the 84-hour community leadership practicum, is completed in your local community of choice.