

RN-BSN COMPLETION

Admission

The RN-BSN Completion program is available for registered nurses with an associate degree or diploma in nursing who meet University admission requirements. Clayton State participates in the Georgia Statewide Articulation Model.

Nursing application is separate from University application and admission. The distance learning program can be completed on a full-time or part-time basis. Graduates are prepared to practice in diverse health care settings, including hospitals, homes, clinics, hospice, industry, and the community.

Minimum admission requirements include (details on the School of Nursing website):

- Unrestricted current nursing licensure in the United States or eligibility for licensure
- College grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 on 4.00 scale.
- Completion of 45 semester hours of BSN core curriculum with grades of C (or K or S) or better in all natural and behavioral science, math and Area F courses at the time of application and 60 semester hours at the time of enrollment in the nursing program.
- Successful completion of the legislative requirements.
- Eligible for clearance on criminal background check and drug screening.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

- Demonstrate human caring as a key philosophical basis for the practice of nursing.
- Utilize effective communication skills to promote therapeutic nurse-client interactions and good collegial relationships
- Engage in critical thinking by using creative problem solving and making appropriate inferences, based on evidence derived from clinical practice
- Demonstrate client care that reflects the consideration of socioeconomic, political, legal, ethical and human diversity variables in the changing health care environment
- Demonstrate competence in utilizing information technology resources to advance professional practice
- Collaborate with health care providers from other disciplines to improve client outcomes
- Utilize nursing therapeutics based on a synthesis of critical thinking strategies and a theoretical knowledge base in nursing to provide competent professional care and maximize healthy outcomes
- Demonstrate commitment to ongoing professional development as a life-long learner
- Apply selected theoretical frameworks and evidence-based practice to nursing practice in diverse settings

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core IMPACTS *		42
All core curriculum recommendations are shown under the Core IMPACTS section of the Undergraduate Graduation Requirements. (https://nextcatalog.clayton.edu/graduation-requirements/undergraduate-graduation-requirements/core-curriculum/#nonsciencemajorstext)		
Field of Study - Nursing		18
Choose 18 hours of 1000/2000 level coursework (not applied in Core A-E).		
<i>Transition Course</i>		3
HLTH 3200	Pathophysiology for RNs	3
<i>Career Block Credit</i> ^{2 and 3}		up to 30
Major Requirements		21
NURS 3110	Interactive Communication	3
NURS 3197	Professional Nursing Practice	3
NURS 3297	Nursing Research Application	3
NURS 3397	Health Assessment	3
NURS 4497	Community Health Nursing	3
NURS 4503	RN Practicum	3
NURS 4597	Leadership and Management	3
Major Specific Electives		6
Choose any NURS, HLTH, HCMG, HFMG or HSCI 3000/4000 level course (or appropriate upper division statistics course).		
Total Credit Hours		120

* CHEM 1151 Survey of Chemistry I and CHEM 1152 Survey of Chemistry II or CHEM 1211 Principles of Chemistry I and CHEM 1212 Principles of Chemistry II are the preferred Core IMPACTS (T) science sequence courses (with laboratory). CHEM 1151 Survey of Chemistry I or CHEM 1211 Principles of Chemistry I are required regardless of completion of other Core IMPACTS (T) science sequence options. MATH 1401 Elementary Statistics is also required in Core IMPACTS (T). PSYC 2103 Intro to Human Development is preferred in Core IMPACTS (S).

These courses can also be applied to the Field of Study and Elective areas as needed to fulfill degree completion requirements. All require a grade of C or higher.

¹ Lab science sequence required for this Health Professions major.

² Upon successful completion of NURS 3197 Professional Nursing Practice, RNs will receive up to 30 semester hours of credit.

³ The Course Block Credit will appear as NURS 2000 within a student's transfer credit.

Academic Standards

Nursing students must maintain a semester grade point average (GPA) of 2.00 ("C") to progress in the program. A minimum grade of "C" is required in all upper division and major courses. Students who receive a "D", "F", "WF", or "U" in any nursing course may repeat that course one time only on a space available basis. Students who receive any two of the following: "D", "F", "WF", or "U" in any two nursing courses may not continue in the program. All students are required to finish all coursework

for the BSN degree within five years of matriculation. Reference BSN Student Handbook for details.