BACHELOR'S PROGRAM

NCWU NURSING

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Empower Your Nursing Journey.

The NCWU traditional BSN program stands out with its unique features designed to prepare students for professional nursing practice. The program emphasizes leading and improving health outcomes through evidence-based research, patient-centered care, and innovative approaches. Students gain competence in essential nursing skills, communication, assessment, interdisciplinary collaboration, and professional attributes. Our BS in Nursing program offers a holistic structure that serves as a strong foundation for further degree advancement and leadership roles in nursing. Students will benefit from **state-of-the-art facilities**, including a simulation and skills lab with high-fidelity manikins and tech-equipped classrooms. Supported by **expert faculty and local community hospitals who mentor students**, our program ensures a comprehensive and enriching educational experience in eastern NC.

PERSONAL

Our faculty have real-world professional experience to ensure you are challenged and supported through mentoring and the connections we provide.

PRACTICAL

Develop lifelong skills through your educational opportunities that are broadly useful, fully transferable and applicable to any challenge or career.

PURPOSE-DRIVEN

Use your degree as a stepping stone to pursue accredited certifications offered at leading organizations or post-graduate study programs.

CAREER AREAS:

- Private Medical & Surgical Hospitals
- Public Medical & Surgical Hospitals
- Schools & Universities
- Research Labs
- Home Healthcare Settings
- Nursing Care Facilities

PAY TRENDS:

The median annual wage* for a **Registered Nurse** is:

**Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook. Not entry level - varies based on location, education and experience. Recent graduates would need to earn experience and advance in career to earn a higher salary.*

"I love the accessibility and communication from my instructors and director of the program. They make me feel as if they really are working to help me succeed."

D'Amona Boddie
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BS IN NURSING

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No minor available.

Applications Accepted: *January 1 through May 1*

Program Start Date: *August*

General Graduation Guidelines:

- Total of 120 semester hours, 33 of which must be numbered 300 or 400 (Other programs may require coursework beyond 120 semester hours)
- At least 9 semester hours of courses designated as writing intensive
- A declared major
- A cumulative GPA average of C (2.00) and at least a C average in the graduation major

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- Apply theories and concepts from liberal arts, humanities, and sciences as the foundation for nursing practice.
- Apply quality improvement and safety management to provide competent care.
- Implement evidence-based practices from credible research.
- Utilize information technology to enhance patient care.
- Communicate and collaborate effectively to improve health outcomes.
- Understand healthcare policy, financial concepts, and regulations.
- Promote health and prevent illness at individual and population levels.
- Uphold professional values, ethics, and accountability.
- Foster a spirit of inquiry and lifelong learning for professional growth.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR BS IN NURSING:

Students should have the following minimum criteria to be accepted for admission:

- Combined overall GPA of 2.8 or higher on all college coursework from all institutions attended
- Completion of the following prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better: PSY 111, ENG 111, ENG 112, MAT 113, BIO 101/102, MAT 213, BIO 231, BIO 232, CHM 213/214 or CHM 111/112, SSC 225, and BIO 241. *Equivalent prerequisite courses from other institutions will be considered if the following criteria is met: 1) a minimum grade of C was achieved 2) course at an equivalent or higher level within the same discipline*
- Submit a 500-word essay discussing their career goals and why they are choosing to enter the nursing profession
- One letter of recommendation from a supervisor/manager and current or former college professor or instructor.
- Minimum score of 75% on HESI A2 Entrance Exam (Must be within 3 years of application date). *Students scoring less than 75% may retake the exam 30 days after the initial exam. Only one HESI A2 exam retake will be proctored and considered for admission. Testing dates and times will be provided to students by faculty. Subject Areas Tested: Reading Comprehension, Grammar, Vocabulary & Knowledge, Anatomy and Physiology, Math)*
- Signed NCWU Essential Requirements for Nursing Education document
- Completion of all NCWU general education Wesleyan Core course requirements

Preferred Admission Criteria:

- CNA I listing with the NC Nurse Aide Registry
- BLS certification for Healthcare Providers

Once a student is accepted into the prelicensure BSN program at NCWU, they must then meet the following requirements* before beginning their nursing coursework and clinical rotations:

- Negative drug screening annually
- Negative background check annually (to include MVR)
- BLS certification for Healthcare Providers
- Current immunizations, including the following: Hepatitis B, MMR, Polio, Varicella, Meningococcal Conjugate, Tdap or DTaP, and seasonal influenza vaccination
- Negative tuberculosis testing - *Students may show negative results via a Two-Step PPD skin test, Quantiferon gold lab testing, and/or a negative chest Xray.*
- Completed NCWU Nursing Health Assessment Form (must submit annually)
- Evidence of Health Insurance Coverage

**Additional requirements may be required by our partnering clinical agencies prior to a student participating in clinical experiences with their organization. These requirements will be communicated to students verbally and in writing in a timely manner should they arise.*

For more information on our Traditional BSN Program, email **nursing@ncwu.edu.**

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