

# NURSING, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

The RN-BSN program prepares registered nurses as generalists in professional nursing practice. Graduates are equipped to function as leaders, managers, and resource persons in a variety of healthcare settings. Critical thinking and decision-making are informed through both general and discipline-specific education.

## Requirements

### Admissions Requirements

Minimum of 60-semester units of transferable college credit with a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 (C) or better and grades of C or better in all transferable course work and have satisfied any high school subject deficiency in English and mathematics by equivalent course work (the maximum transferable credit accepted from a two-year college is 70 semester units). A 2.5 GPA is required for second baccalaureate applicants.

### Nursing Program Prerequisite Course CSU GE-Breadth Area

- English Composition (Area 1A)
- Critical Thinking (Area 1B)
- Oral Communication (Area 1C)
- Statistics (Area 2 Mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning)
- Chemistry: general, inorganic, organic or integrated with associated lab if required at the institution where the course was taken (Area 5A Physical Science, 5C Laboratory)
- Human anatomy with required lab (Area 5B Biological science, 5C Laboratory)
- Human physiology with required lab (Area 5B Biological science, 5C Laboratory)
- Microbiology with required lab (Area 5B Biological science, 5C Laboratory)

**Registered Nurse Licensure:** *Students may apply to the University in the third or fourth semester of their Associate Degree Program but must have graduated from the Associate Degree Nursing program prior to starting the BSN program. Licensure is required before taking the Community-Based Role Performance course. California RN licensure must be unencumbered, and unrestricted, with no probation or disciplinary action pending or imposed.*

### Program Structure

The BSN program comprises classes that include content essential for professional nursing practice. These courses must be taken through the normal schedule.

### Academic Regulations

A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (2.5 for second bachelor's) or better is required in all courses taken to satisfy the degree requirements. A student will be placed on probation if, in any term, he or she has failed to earn a grade point average of 2.0 (2.5 for second bachelor's) or higher for the work taken that term. During the subsequent probationary term, the student must achieve a grade point average of 2.0 (2.5 for second bachelor's) or better. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the program.

All integrated nursing and support courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. A course may be repeated once according to University policy. Any student receiving a grade of "C-" or lower must meet with an advisor before proceeding to enroll in additional courses.

Courses must be successfully completed according to the sequence in the student's approved program of study.

### General Education

For Nursing students only the scheduled courses are approved to fulfill upper-division General Education requirements as specified:

Course	Title	GE Category	Semester Units
BSN 306	Cultural Diversity and Health Care	D3	3
BSN 346	Human Pathophysiology	B5	3

### BSN Degree Requirements

**A total of a minimum of 120 semester units are required for the degree. In addition to the major, students must complete general education requirements. Students transferring from a community college can transfer a maximum of 70 units and students from a four-year institution may transfer a maximum of 96 units. Electives are not required unless necessary to complete degree requirements.**

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Support Courses</b>		
BSN 306	Cult Diversity Healthcare <sup>1</sup>	3
BSN 346	Human Pathophysiology <sup>2</sup>	3
<b>Required Nursing Courses</b>		
BSN 302	Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice	3
BSN 381	Hlth Assess Skills Seminar	1
BSN 382	Health Assessment	2
BSN 422	Community-Based Nursing	3
BSN 423	Community-Based Nursing Role Performance	2
BSN 452	Management and Leadership in Health Care Systems	3
BSN 460	Nursing Research Utilization	3
<b>Elective</b>		
BSN 494	Independent Study	1-3
<b>NCLEX Credit</b>		
Students may be granted up to 24 units of NCLEX credit once the RN license is verified. Student who have fewer than 120 units after all other transfer BSN, and NCLEX credit has been granted will need to complete additional upper division courses through CSUDH.		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>48-50</b>

<sup>1</sup> Meets GE Area D3.

<sup>2</sup> Meets GE Area B5

**Note:** Students may earn additional 3-6 units from a Humanities course and/or an English Composition course.

## Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the B.S. degree program in Nursing, graduates will be able to:

1. Design competent, patient-centered professional nursing care for individuals, families, and populations across the health continuum in a variety of community-based settings and institutions, emphasizing patient safety and quality.
2. Integrate knowledge from the physical and behavioral sciences, and informatics into professional nursing practice.
3. Demonstrate cultural competence in providing care and working with others.
4. Implement health promotion and disease prevention plans for individuals, families, and populations.
5. Use critical thinking, evidence-based practice, and research findings in professional nursing practice.
6. Form interdisciplinary collaborative relationships to improve professional nursing practice and the quality of healthcare for all.
7. Demonstrate ethical and professional nursing roles, values, social justice, and human dignity.
8. Participate in political regulatory processes to influence healthcare systems and quality improvement policies.
9. Exhibit effective communication skills for professional nursing practice.
10. Demonstrate commitment to a lifelong learning plan for professional development.

### B.S. Nursing Degree Roadmap

## 4 Semester Roadmap

### First Year

Fall		Hours
BSN 302	Concepts of Professional Nursing Practice	3
BSN 346	Human Pathophysiology (satisfies GE Area 5UD: Integrative Studies in the Natural Sciences)	3
BSN 306	Cult Diversity Healthcare (satisfies GE Area 4UD: Integrative Studies in the Social & Behavioral Sciences)	3
ENG 350	Advanced Composition (Satisfies Graduate Writing Assessment Requirement) <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

### Spring

BSN 382	Health Assessment	2
BSN 381	Hlth Assess Skills Seminar	1
BSN 460	Nursing Research Utilization	3
GE Area 3UD: Integrative Studies in the Humanities <sup>1</sup>		3
POL 101	American Institutions (may transfer in) <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

### Second Year

Fall		Hours
BSN 422	Community-Based Nursing	3
BSN 423	Community-Based Nursing Role Performance	2
BSN 452	Management and Leadership in Health Care Systems	3
HIS 101	History Of United States (may transfer in) <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>11</b>

### Spring

GE Area 6: Ethnic Studies (may transfer in) <sup>1</sup>		3
Up to 10 additional transferable units (over 60 units transferred)		0-10

NCLEX credit up to 24 hours to achieve 120 total hours

0-24

Hours	3-37
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>38-72</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students who already possess an accredited non-nursing baccalaureate degree are waived from the following BSN requirements: 30 units in residence, additional CSU General Education and U.S. History, Constitution, and American Ideals. CSU Policy AA 2008-14 (<https://calstate.policystat.com/search/?reference=74160>)