

Nursing (RN to BSN)

Degree Type

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

Admission Requirements

Procedure for Admission to the RN to BSN Program

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The criteria used to determine admission to the RN to BSN degree program include:

- Completion of the application for admission.
- Satisfy one of the following:
 - Earned an associate's degree in nursing from an accredited institution,
 - have an equivalent accredited associated degree in nursing from a foreign institution, or
 - hold a nursing diploma AND a bachelors degree from an accredited institution
- A cumulative GPA of 2.00 or better on a 4.00 scale.
- Submission of official transcripts from every college or university attended within 5 weeks after the initial start date (refer to Conditional Acceptance).
- A valid and unencumbered license as a registered nurse in all US states or territory in which the student is licensed, including the state in which the student completes all assignments for the program. (Note that military, federal, and foreign educated nurses must meet this state requirement for nursing licensure).
Note: An unencumbered license(s) must be maintained throughout the program.

For additional admissions information please see the admissions section [here](#).

Program Overview and Outcomes

Offered at Austin, Columbia, High Point, Montgomery, Online Programs, Orlando, Richmond, Savannah, Tampa, Virginia Beach and West Palm Beach.

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The RN to BSN degree program at South University is designed to enhance the professional knowledge and employment scope for the licensed registered nurse. Concepts of nursing research and community health are key components of the curriculum. These educational experiences are designed to prepare professional nurses for practice today and well into the future. Graduates of the RN to BSN degree completion program meet the same program student learning outcomes whether in the campus-based BSN degree program or the online RN to BSN degree program.

Potential students must be comfortable with technology, self-motivated, able to solve problems independently, have good organizational skills, good writing skills, and are prepared to invest time to their studies in both the campus-based and online nursing programs. Forty-five credit hours of nursing credit will be accepted toward the BSN degree based upon graduation from an accredited school of nursing.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from the RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program will have demonstrated their acquisition of competencies and proficiencies related to the following:

1. Synthesize current scientific research, theories, and concepts from nursing and other disciplines in the practice of professional nursing practice.
2. Collaborates directly with other healthcare professionals using various resources and technologies in various aspects of the advanced nursing leadership role.
3. Apply critical thinking skills in establishing priorities, delegating responsibility, formulating decisions, and maintaining accountability in the practice of professional nursing through the application of nursing standards.
4. Demonstrate proficiency using the nursing process and systematic inquiry to deliver evidenced based, comprehensive, and holistic nursing care which promotes health and quality of life for diverse populations.
5. Demonstrate professionalism using ethical and legal standards of practice in the decision-making process to assist with the development of quality improvement in the healthcare setting(s).

RN to BSN: 180 Credits

A block transfer will apply per the General Education Course Transfer Credit RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN and RN to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) policy.

General Education Requirements: 78 general education credits transferred from transfer of credit policy

Area I: General Education: 86 Credits

Natural Sciences/Mathematics and Statistics

Included in Transfer of Credit from Associate of Nursing Degree or Bachelor's Degree

Arts and Humanities

Course Code	Title	Credits
HUM1200	Introduction to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	4.0

Social and Behavioral Sciences

Course Code	Title	Credits
PHE2001	Introduction to Public Health	4.0

Nursing (45 transfer credits + 49 credits from South University): 94 Credits

Course Code	Title	Credits
NSG3007	Foundations for Professional Nursing	4.0
NSG3012	Principles of Assessment for RNs	4.0
NSG3029	Foundations of Nursing Research	4.0
NSG3039	Information Management and Technology	4.0
NSG4028	Concepts of Teaching and Learning	4.0
NSG4029	Leadership in a Diverse Society	4.0
NSG4068	Trends in Healthcare Policy	4.0
NSG4074	Health Promotion and Clinical Prevention	4.0
NSG4076	RN to BSN Capstone Synthesis	5.0

Elective Pool: (12 credits) Choose 3 courses below:

Course Code	Title	Credits
NSG4067	Gerontological Nursing	4.0
HSC2010	Medical Sociology	4.0
HSC3002	Environmental Health	4.0
HSC4010	Epidemiology and Disease Control	4.0
PHE4015	Introduction to Global Health	4.0
PHE4030	Foundation of Health Communication	4.0
HSC3004	Complementary and Alternative Health	4.0
HSC4030	Women and Minority Health Issues	4.0
Total Credits		180