Nursing RN-to-BSN

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Description of the major:

The nursing RN-to-BSN program is for registered nurses who want to advance their education. This Bachelor of Science in nursing program prepares graduates who can provide evidence-based comprehensive nursing care that is scientific-based, caring and respectful of diverse individual needs. Students must have earned an RN prior to admission to this program and meet all degree prerequisites.

The student experience:

- Students have access to faculty with expertise in nursing practice, health assessment, community primary prevention, leadership skills and research. The nursing faculty embraces quality teaching and engages multiple types of learning opportunities in the classroom. Faculty and students establish a partnership that creates an atmosphere of collaborative learning throughout the program.
- Students have self-directed learning experiences with nurses practicing in their communities and in leadership positions in health care institutions.
- Students take classes in a hybrid format and attend classes on campus or virtually about one to two Saturdays a month. Other coursework is completed online.



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$\sqrt{Major Prerequisites}$

Students must have an active license as a registered nurse (RN) in South Carolina or be license-eligible, or live in a compact state with multistate privileges (see ncsbn.org for a list of compact states) and be a graduate of an accredited nursing program with a grade of C or better in all nursing courses.

- This program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). Inquiries can be made to the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30326. Phone: 404.975.5000. Email: info@acenursing.org.
 Web: www.acenursing.org.
- The curriculum for this program is derived from the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN), the National League for Nursing (NLN) and the American Nurses Association (ANA). Nurses completing this degree are prepared to implement roles in today's health care environment.

Areas of study:

Students in this program study topics like health assessment, community health nursing, transcultural care, health policy, nursing research and leadership in nursing. The RN-to-BSN program can be completed in three-to-four semesters, but the length of the program is dependent on how many credits an individual student needs to earn for the 120-credit minimum for a bachelor's degree. Courses are offered in both the fall and spring, and part-time study is available.

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