

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE- NURSING COMPLETION PROGRAM FOR REGISTERED NURSES (EC)

Registered nurses who have graduated from an ADN or diploma nursing program and are currently working licensed nurses will find Concordia's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Completion Program a flexible means of furthering their nursing education. RNs can obtain a BSN degree in as few as 18 months, depending on how many credits are transferred in. Coursework consists of accelerated courses that are taken online.

The BSN Completion program provides a broad foundation in liberal arts education, as well as in the art and science of nursing. This foundation, guided by Christian principles, prepares the graduate with the professional leadership skills, expertise, and knowledge needed to function in a variety of healthcare and community settings.

Accreditation

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Concordia University Wisconsin is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccnaccreditation.org>).

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon graduation, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing student will be able to:

1. Apply liberal education and scientific background information into practice.
2. Apply organizational and leadership principles in practice to improve quality and patient safety.
3. Apply current evidence into professional nursing practice.
4. Use informatics and healthcare technologies to inform decision-making regarding quality patient care and safety.
5. Demonstrate knowledge of healthcare policy, finance, and regulatory environments.
6. Communicate and collaborate in an interprofessional healthcare environment to deliver safe, high quality patient care.
7. Apply knowledge of health promotion and disease prevention to improve individual and population health.
8. Demonstrate professionalism and professional values within the context of a Christian perspective.
9. Engage in the professional roles of the nurse as care provider, care manager/coordinator, lifelong learner and member of the profession.

Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		31
Required Nursing Courses		18
Elective Courses & Credits Transferred In		71
Total Credits		120

Core Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Faith		6
Human Creativity & Expression		3
Society & Culture (3 must be culture)		6
Human Beings & Being Human		3
Natural Sciences (4) and Statistics (3)		7
Communication & Language (3 must be writing)		6
Total Credits		31

Required Nursing Courses

Code	Title	Hours
NURS 301	Dimensions of Professional Nursing	3
NURS 305	Trends in Professional Nursing	3
NURS 336	Nursing Research for RNs	3
NURS 342	Population Health	3
NURS 442	Leadership – The Future of Nursing	3
NURS 492	Seminar in Contemporary Nursing	3
Total Credits		18

The program is individualized based on the number of transfer credits. The following applies for all students:

- Students must complete a cumulative total of at least 120 credits in order to graduate from Concordia University with a BSN degree. These 120 credits will be comprised of transfer credits and credits taken at Concordia University.
- All students must take a minimum of 36 credits at Concordia University in order to satisfy the residency requirement.
- All students must fulfill the liberal arts core. Some courses may be transferred in to fulfill part of the core requirements. Students may transfer in a maximum of 84 credits.
- All students are required to take 6 faith credits at Concordia University.
- Students must earn a 79% or higher in all nursing courses.

Admissions Requirements

- Successful completion of an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)
- A cumulative GPA of 2.75 or above for full acceptance. Applicants with a lower GPA will be reviewed for conditional acceptance.
- Current unencumbered licensure and practice as an RN in the United States. If in the process of taking licensure exam, applicants will be considered for provisional acceptance.

Application Process

Applicants are required to submit the following:

- Online application available at www.cuw.edu/apply
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
- Current resume
- Copy of current unencumbered RN licensure in the United States

Program Admission

- Students' transcripts will be evaluated by nursing program staff as part of the admission process.
- Statistics courses will only be accepted if taken within the last five years, unless specially approved by the program chairperson or designee.

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- No credits will be transferred for courses in which a grade of C- or lower was obtained.
- Students must have and maintain an active, unencumbered RN license throughout the program.
- Students must be actively working as an RN during the program.