Bachelor of Science in Nursing: RN to BSN Program

School of Nursing

Adding the Bachelor of Science in Nursing to your credentials can assist you with career advancement and/or acceptance into a variety of post-baccalaureate nursing programs. CSU’s School of Nursing offers the working RN a flexible, online schedule. Students are admitted to the nursing program as juniors. The required nursing courses can be completed in three consecutive semesters (one year), with credit for nursing experience to those who qualify.

Graduates may be able to move immediately into the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program the semester following graduation if they meet all MSN requirements.

The School of Nursing participates in the Northeast Ohio Access in Nursing model. Participation in this articulation model grants college credits to graduates of associate degree and diploma nursing programs. These credits are applied toward the total number of hours needed to graduate from Cleveland State University with a BSN.

What is the RN to BSN program?
The RN to BSN program is designed for those students who already hold an active Ohio Registered Nurse License. The nursing curriculum provides learning opportunities that foster the development of self-direction, creativity, critical thinking and discriminative judgment.

How is the program scheduled?
This program is 27 credit hours of on-line coursework and has supplemental field work and a clinical component in the final semester. The program begins in the fall and spring semester of every year. Nursing classes are scheduled for three consecutive semesters.

Prerequisite Coursework
Anatomy and Physiology I and II
Chemistry I and II
Microbiology
Statistics
Principles of Psychology
English 101 and 102

All prerequisite courses must be completed prior to starting the nursing course sequence in the fall semester.
Admission to the School of Nursing

Begin the admissions process by reviewing the website. You may also contact the School of Nursing and schedule an appointment with an advisor. Detailed admissions requirements, instructions, and application forms may be also found on the School of Nursing website. www.csuohio.edu/nursing

Requirements for admission include:

1) Hold an active Ohio Registered Nurse License (or the U.S. state where you reside).
2) Complete all prerequisite coursework with a grade of “C” or higher. Maintain an overall prerequisite GPA of at least 2.75.
3) Maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5.
4) Apply for admission to CSU. We recommend that this be done at least six weeks prior to any School of Nursing deadlines.
5) Apply for admission to the School of Nursing. Complete applications July 1st for the fall co-hort and November 1st for the spring co-hort.

Cleveland State University
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The School of Nursing at Cleveland State University offers both undergraduate and graduate nursing programs which are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Our pre-licensure program is approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing (OBN). The programs are available to men and women who have been admitted to Cleveland State University and the School of Nursing.

The School of Nursing offers programs in the following areas:

- Traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program
- Accelerated BSN, a second degree that offers a BSN in four consecutive semesters
- RN to BSN, an online program which is completed in three consecutive semesters for practicing Registered Nurses
- Master of Science in Nursing (Specialized Population, Nursing Education, Clinical Nurse Leader, Forensics)
- MSN/MBA
- Interdisciplinary Certificates in Nursing Education and Gerontology

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