



NURSING, B.S.N. Post-RN

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

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POST-RN PROGRAM

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Program Offering: Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Program Accreditation: Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing

Program Description:

The Western Kentucky University School of Nursing mission is to provide undergraduate and graduate education, and lifelong learning opportunities to meet the changing health care needs of society.

Career Opportunities in Nursing:

The goal of professional nursing practice is to assist clients to achieve an optimal level of health or to die with dignity. Professional nursing practice encompasses the application of nursing process, critical thinking skills, communication and scientific inquiry in the delivery of nursing care in any setting, including community and acute care settings. Nurses assume multiple roles including caregiver, teacher, coordinator, communicator, collaborator, and advocate. Nurses use interventions aimed at health promotion, risk reduction, disease surveillance/prevention/management for clients of all ages and diverse cultures. Professional nurses are accountable for their practice within the guidelines of standards of care and ethical codes set forth by professional organizations.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing:

The faculty believes there are diverse pathways toward the achievement of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing. The faculty is committed to preparing the BSN students at the pre-licensure level and providing educational opportunities for registered nurses to enter professional nursing practice.

Nursing Organizations

- Sigma Theta Tau International, Kappa Theta Chapter
- Kentucky Nurses Association

College of Health and Human Services Resources

The CHHS Academic Center of Excellence offers personal student advising, professional publications, academic enrichment activities, tutoring for CHHS courses, assistance with degree program completion and career exploration/planning, and a state-of-the-art computer lab with latest software for CHHS majors.

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Post-RN Baccalaureate Nursing Curriculum

^Nursing 300 Concepts of Disease Process	3 Credits
^Nursing 309 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan (2 theory/1 clinical)	3 Credits
^Nursing 315 Concepts of Pharmacology	3 Credits
Nursing 321 Transcultural Nursing	2 Credits
*Nursing 323 Concepts of Professional Nursing	2 Credits
Nursing 340 Teaching & Health Promotion in Nursing Practice	3 Credits
Nursing 400 Nursing Leadership & Management	3 Credits
Nursing 405 Nursing Informatics	2 Credits
#Nursing 408 Professional Issues	3 Credits
Nursing 412 Nursing Research	3 Credits
Nursing 430 Concepts of Public Health	4 Credits
Nursing 431 Application of Public Health (Clinical, must be taken <i>concurrently</i> with Nursing 430)	2 Credits
Nursing Elective	3 Credits

Hours=36

*Must be the first nursing course taken after admission to the program.

#Must be taken in final semester of program.

^May be taken by challenge examination.

In addition to the nursing courses students must:

1. Meet the University's general education requirements
2. Take a statistics course (3 credit hours)
3. Have documentation of completion of the following courses or equivalent courses:
 Associate Degree or equivalency in nursing

Chemistry 109
 Biology 207/208
 Biology 131
 Psychology 199
 CFS 111 (Human Nutrition)