

NURSING RN to BSN

Bachelor of Science Degree

Quincy College | Academic Division of Nursing

Program Description

The RN–BSN program is a fully online, baccalaureate completion program designed for licensed Registered Nurses seeking to advance their education, clinical expertise, and leadership skills. The program emphasizes patient-centered and culturally competent care, ethical decision-making, health equity, and nurse wellbeing through mindfulness and resilience-building strategies. Practice-based projects and a culminating capstone experience provide opportunities for students to apply theoretical knowledge directly in their professional practice settings, fostering leadership, innovation, and systems-level thinking. Graduates of the RN–BSN program are prepared to assume baccalaureate-level roles in clinical practice, leadership, education, and community health, contributing to improved patient outcomes and the advancement of the nursing profession.

Program Outcomes

At the completion of this program, the student should be able to:

- Integrate professional values, ethical principles, and accountability to deliver culturally competent, patient-centered nursing care across diverse populations and settings.
- Employ evidence-based research and scholarly inquiry to guide nursing practice, improve patient outcomes, and support quality improvement initiatives.
- Demonstrate clinical judgment and decision-making skills in complex, evolving healthcare environments to ensure safe, effective, and holistic care.
- Apply leadership, management, and team collaboration skills to optimize healthcare delivery, coordinate resources, and foster positive outcomes in interprofessional settings.
- Demonstrate advocacy of healthcare delivery through policy and financial acumen to promote equitable, efficient, and sustainable health systems.
- Integrate health informatics, digital health tools, and artificial intelligence into clinical practice to enhance workflow efficiency. and patient care outcomes.
- Collaborate in interdisciplinary teams to assess, plan, and implement population- and community-focused health interventions that address social determinants and reduce disparities.
- Lead innovation, entrepreneurship, and quality improvement initiatives by synthesizing knowledge from nursing, business, and technology to advance healthcare delivery.
- Promote personal and professional wellbeing, resilience, and lifelong learning to sustain ethical, competent, and effective nursing practice.
- Provide safe, ethical, holistic, and culturally sensitive care across the lifespan and care settings, integrating patient values, preferences, and needs into clinical decision-making.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Must hold an active unencumbered US RN License and complete an Associate Degrees Nursing Program or a Diploma Nursing Program. Can Transfer up to 90 credits. Official transcripts are evaluated to determine applicable transfer credit and remaining degree requirements

NOTE: All classes are offered in the fall, spring, and summer unless otherwise designated:

F=Class is only offered in the Fall

S=Class is only offered in the Spring

SU Class is only offered in the Summer

C=Contact Advising at 617-984-1720 for more information

Course / Credit Information

General Education Requirements 41 credits; May be satisfied through transfer credit; remaining requirements are completed as needed.		Credits
ENG 101 English Composition I		3 credits
Math Elective (MAT 103 College Algebra or MAT 107 Statistics)		3 credits
History or Government Core		3 credits
Math: Statistics; math elective if statistic completed		3 credits
Natural Science Core with Lab		3 credits
Social Science/Psychology		3 credits
Humanities		6 credits
PSY 101 General Psychology		3 credits
PSY 216 Growth & Development		3 credits
General Education Elective		6 credits
TRANSFER CREDIT 43 credits		Credits
Anatomy & Physiology I (with Lab) - No expiration		4
Anatomy & Physiology II (with Lab) - No expiration		4
ASN Nursing Course Transfer		35

RN-BSN Upper-Division Requirements - 36 credits		Credits
RNU 301 Transforming Nursing Practice / Professional Nursing Practice (First semester)		3 credits
RNU 310 Advanced Health Assessment & Whole Person Care (F and SU)		3 credits
RNU 320 Scholarly Inquiry & Evidence-Based Practice (S and SU)		3 credits
RNU 330 Bioethics and Health Information Management / Artificial Intelligence in Nursing Practice (F and SU)		3 credits
RNU 340 Nursing in Global and Community Health Environments (F)		5 credits
RNU 350 Engagement in Health Policy and Leadership (F & S)		3 credits
RNU 410 Integration of Professional Nursing Practice Capstone (Last semester)		4 credits
RNU 420 Entrepreneurial Nursing & Health Innovation (S & SU)		3 credits
Program Elective (see below)		9 credits

Total credits required for graduation 120 credits

Program Electives	Credits
RNU 360 Mindfulness & Nurse Wellbeing (F)	3 credits
RNU 365 Palliative & End-of-Life Nursing Care (S)	3 credits
RNU 370 Disaster Preparedness & Crisis Response (SU)	3 credits
PSY 221 Health Psychology	3 credits
PSY 350 Group Dynamics	3 credits
MGT 330 Managerial Communications	3 credits
BUS 202 Principles of Customer Service	3 credits
SOC 316 Intercultural Communication	3 credits
SOC 355 Race, Class, Gender, and Social Justice	3 credits

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COURSE FLOW

Transfer Credit: Students may transfer up to 90 credits. Individual degree plans vary based on accepted transfer credits and remaining general education and degree requirements.

Course Sequence: RNU 301 is a 15-week course taken in the first semester, and RNU 410 is a 15-week course taken in the final semester. Students may take additional courses during both the first and final semesters.

All other upper-level RN-BSN courses are offered in 7-week sessions. Students may take multiple courses concurrently based on their individual degree plan.

Semester Path

Recommended course of study for a full-time student. It is recommended that students speak to an Academic Advisor before registering for courses each semester.

Student Resources

Academic Advising
617-984-1720

Dean's Office of Liberal Arts & Professional Programs
617-405-5920

Dean's Office of Allied Health & Natural Science
617-405-5960

Dean's Office of Nursing
617-405-5990

Financial Aid Office
617-984-1620

Registrar's Office
617-984-1650

Student Accessibility and Academic Support Services
617-405-5915