

NURSING B.S.N. (CURRENT R.N. LICENSE)

The RN-BSN Program is registered by the New York State Education Department and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). The program is designed to build on previous education and experience. The comprehensive curriculum enhances your knowledge in crucial nursing areas such as:

- Professional issues in nursing
- Evidence-based practice
- Clinical foundations
- Leadership
- Community based nursing
- Vulnerable populations
- Enhancing patient outcomes

Program For Licensed R.N.s To B.S.N

The curriculum is designed for associate degree or diploma prepared professionals seeking a bachelor of science degree in nursing. Credit will be transferred from the students' associate's degree following an evaluation of transfer credits. Transcripts are evaluated individually for total number of exempted/ transferred credits or coursework. RNs with an AAS degree are able to complete the program in two years of full-time study in a convenient fully online program. 122 credits (including transfer credits) are required for BSN completion with a minimum of 30 credits from D'Youville University. A tuition savings of greater than 50% of the traditional BSN undergraduate tuition rate is available for RN students. The office of admissions and financial aid must have all requested financial data to process the special tuition rate.

Please refer to the general Academic Policies and Procedures (<https://catalog.dyouville.edu/policies-disclosures/>) section of this catalog for health, C.P.R., and malpractice insurance requirements. Students must register with CastleBranch for their document repository. Students must also read and acknowledge the Criminal History and Background Check policy.

Course Requirements for the Major

The nursing courses listed below are required. The statistics and other academic courses below are required but if you have taken them already you may be able to transfer your credits allowing you to take an elective. Credit will be transferred from your associate's degree following an evaluation of transfer credits. If you have already earned a bachelor's degree, you must complete a minimum of 30 credits from D'Youville.

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| NUR-405 | Essentials of Nursing Research | 3 |
| NUR-400 | Health Assessment and Clinical Judgment Development | 3 |
| NUR-406 | Issues and Trends in Nursing | 3 |
| NUR-407 | Community and Population Based Nursing | 3 |
| NUR-408 | Healthcare Policies and Economics in Nursing | 3 |
| NUR-409 | Leadership in Nursing for the RN-BSN Student | 3 |
| NUR-411 | Nursing Informatics, Quality and Safety | 3 |
| NUR-416 | Capstone I | 3 |
| NUR-417 | Capstone II | 3 |

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| MAT-120 | Statistical Reasoning for Healthcare Professionals | 3 |
| Total Credits | | 30 |

Academic Regulations

A. Grade and G.P.A. Requirements

To be in good standing in the Online RN-BSN programs, students must:

- a. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5.
- b. Maintain a minimum grade of C in all courses required for the major as outlined in progression requirements.
- c. A student who takes an incomplete grade in a prerequisite course to a required nursing course will not be permitted to begin that nursing course until the pre-requisite course is completed with a grade C or higher (C+, B-, B, B+, A-, A) earned. The policy regarding incomplete grades must be followed and can be accessed at: Incomplete Grades. (http://www.dyc.edu/search/?cx=012528331169462832938%3Ap4le_wiw2kg&q=incomplete+grades)
- d. For any NUR course with a theory and lab/clinical component, both the theory component and the lab/clinical component must be repeated if a passing grade is not achieved for either theory (minimum grade of C) and/or lab/clinical(s) (minimum grade of S).
- e. A minimum average grade of 73% is required for all coursework in NUR and any course required for the major. A student who does not satisfactorily complete the clinical component in a clinical course will receive a grade of F. 1. A minimum grade of C must be attained in any course required for the major.

B. Progression Requirements:

- a. A minimum grade of C must be attained in any NUR course required for the major.
- b. Students who fail to obtain a minimum grade of C in a course required for the major will not be permitted to enroll in any course for which that course is a prerequisite until the minimum C grade requirement for the pre-requisite course has been met.
- c. Students are permitted to repeat a course required for the major only once. The procedures for repeating a course are explained in the University Catalog. www.dyc.edu/catalog/current/policies-procedures/repeating-course.aspx
- d. RN-BSN Online Program Students accepted into the RN to BSN program require all students to have been conferred an Associates's or Diploma degree and to have an unencumbered RN license. Students admitted with conditional acceptance who are eligible to take nursing boards must have an unencumbered RN license by the completion of the first semester. Students are asked to submit a final transcript with the degree and degree conferral date to the admissions office along with a copy of their unencumbered RN license prior to academic advisement for the second semester of coursework. Failure to submit the required documents will result in an inability to progress in the program.

C. Probationary Standing:

Students who do not achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.5, and/or who earn a required course grade below C are placed on probation and are limited to 13 credits in the next semester in which they are registered.

D. Ineligibility to Progress in Program:

- a. A student may remain on probation for no more than two successive semesters. Failure to meet standards after two successive semesters on probation will result in the inability to progress in the student's respective undergraduate nursing program.
- b. Students who have achieved less than a C in more than two courses required for the major will be deemed ineligible to continue in the program regardless of GPA.
- c. Students who fail to achieve a minimum grade of C on a second attempt when repeating a course required for the major will be deemed ineligible to continue in the program.
- d. Any student who is required in more than one instance to withdraw from a clinical course due to an inability to demonstrate a required clinical competency will be deemed ineligible to continue in the program.
- e. Students demonstrating an inability to deliver safe patient care or unprofessional conduct at any time are subject to course failure and may be ineligible to continue in the program.

E. Re-admission

- a. Students are eligible to apply for readmission if being dismissed for continued probation. Such students can apply for readmission after one semester, provided they meet the criteria for a student in good standing with the University and provide the Undergraduate Admissions, Progression, and Retention Committee a plan of action for their success in the program.
- b. Students who have been dismissed for unsafe practice or unprofessional conduct will not be eligible for re-admission.
- c. Decisions regarding readmission are made by the Nursing Undergraduate Admissions, Progression, and Retention Committee based on readmission policies and potential for academic success.
- d. Students reinstated following the determination of ineligibility to progress will be on probation for one semester provided they maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5. Any grade below C in a course required for the major following re-admission will result in the inability to continue in the program with no option for re-admission. Two successive semesters on probation following re-admission will result in the student being deemed ineligible to continue in the nursing program with no option for readmission.

Student Conduct

Students enrolled in the nursing program are expected to exhibit professional behavior, demonstrating responsible and mature conduct in both academic and clinical environments. Professional behavior expectations relate not only to face-to-face interactions but to actions and interactions in the electronic/ online environment as well. Unprofessional conduct will not be tolerated. Regardless of previous grades earned, unprofessional conduct may result in failure in and/or dismissal from the course and/or program. Disciplinary action will be at the discretion of the course and/or the School of Nursing faculty. Policies specific to the School of Nursing regarding grading, progression, retention, dismissal, and unprofessional conduct are available to students in the School of Nursing undergraduate student handbook.

Admission Requirements R.N. to B.S.N. Associate's Degree R.N. Students Or Diploma Prepared Professional R.N.s – B.S.N. Program

- Minimum overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Current unrestricted professional nurse (RN) license or NCLEX eligible.
- Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree from an accredited program with conferral date or a diploma in nursing.
- Must have an unencumbered RN License from the state in which clinical practice will take place.
- New graduates are admitted on the condition that the NCLEX is passed by the end of the first semester.