

BS/BA to BSN, B.S.N.

Degree Offered

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Nature of the Program

BS/BA TO BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

The BS-BA to BSN (fast track) program is an accelerated program for college graduates who wish to become a registered nurse with a bachelor's degree in nursing. It is designed for full-time study. After 18 months of continuous enrollment, successful students obtain the Bachelor of Science in nursing degree (BSN) and are eligible to take the licensing examination for registered professional nurses (NCLEX-RN). The BS/BA to BSN program is offered at WVU in Morgantown and Bridgeport.

Admissions

BS/BA to BSN (Fast Track) Admission

Applicants for the BS/BA to BSN program on the Morgantown or Bridgeport campus must have a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university with an overall grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, an institutional grade point average of 3.0, and prerequisite GPA of at least 3.0.

The following prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better prior to enrollment:

Code	Title	Hours
English 101 and 102		6
Chemistry with laboratory		4
Biology with laboratory		4
Human Anatomy		4
Human Physiology		4
Microbiology		3
Statistics		3
Introductory Psychology		3
Introductory Sociology		3
Developmental Psychology Across the Lifespan		3
Human Nutrition		3
College Algebra		3

Complete applications and Course Equivalency Forms to the BS/BA to BSN program must be received by July 1 for admission to the program the following spring semester. Transcripts must be received by July 15. Acceptance and placement in the program are dependent upon space available in the program. There are limited spaces available, and the most qualified applicants are accepted. Application forms are available online after March 1 from the admissions website. Students in the BS/BA to BSN program must meet the same academic standards as basic (traditional) BSN students and must complete the graduation requirements as specified for second-degree students. Applicants must choose which campus they would like to attend and will be considered for the chosen campus.

Students who have been dismissed from any nursing program (WVU or otherwise) are ineligible for admission to any of the WVU BSN programs; however, students who have received degrees or additional credentialing post-academic dismissal from a nursing program are eligible for admission to the BS/BA to BSN, RN-BSN, or graduate programs, provided they meet all other admission requirements and based on space available.

Note: Admission criteria are subject to change. Please see the School of Nursing website for the most up-to-date criteria (<http://nursing.hsc.wvu.edu/>).

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS 2024-2025

The Admission Requirements above will be the same for the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

Major Code: 8630

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The BS/BA to BSN Curriculum

Students must have earned a previous baccalaureate degree prior to enrollment in the BS/BA to BSN program. Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in required pre-requisite courses and an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher in all college level work ever attempted.

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher through completion of degree.

Code	Title	Hours
All courses must be completed with a grade of a C- or better		
NSG 211	Health Assessment & Communication	6
NSG 212	Foundations of Nursing Practice	6
NSG 250	Clinical Nursing Pharmacology	3
NSG 310	Maternal Infant Nursing & Women's Health Care	4
NSG 311	Alterations in Adult Health 1	6
NSG 312	Alterations in Adult Health 2	6
NSG 320	Child and Adolescent Health	4
NSG 350	Evidence Based Practice and Research	3
NSG 360	Ethics and Health Policy	3
NSG 411	Nursing in Complex Community Systems	7
NSG 412	Leadership in Complex Systems	7
NSG 450	Alterations in Mental Health	4
NSG 460	Care of the Critically Ill Patient	4
NSG 486	NCLEX Review	1
Select one of the following		2
NSG 480	Core Concepts in Gerontological Nursing	
NSG 482	Palliative Care Nursing	
NSG 483	Holistic and Integrative Nursing	
NSG 484	Care of the Diabetic Patient	
NSG 485	Children With Complex Health Needs	
NSG 487	Movies and Mental Health	
Total Hours		66

Suggested Plan of Study for BS/BA to BSN

First Semester	Hours
NSG 211	6
NSG 212	6
NSG 250	3
	15
Second Semester	Hours
NSG 310	4
NSG 311	6
NSG 350	3
	13
Third Semester	Hours
NSG 312	6
NSG 320	4
NSG 360	3
	13
Fourth Semester	Hours
NSG 411	7
NSG 450	4
Nursing Elective	2
	13

Fifth Semester	Hours
NSG 412	7
NSG 460	4
NSG 486	1
	12

Total credit hours: 66

Major Learning Outcomes

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

CRITICAL THINKING: Employ scholarly inquiry and evidence-based reasoning and creativity in the process of assessment, interpretation, analysis, synthesis, evaluation, and inference as a basis for professional nursing practice.

NURSING INTERVENTIONS: Ensure quality care by applying theory, evidence-based clinical judgment and decision-making, and patient care technology in the delivery of safe and skilled nursing therapeutics with individuals, families, communities, and populations across the health-illness continuum.

PROFESSIONAL ROLE: Demonstrate knowledge, attitudes, professional values, personal qualities and behaviors consistent with the nursing roles of health care designer and coordinator, organization and system leader, and advocate for consumers and the nursing profession.

CARING: Provide empathetic, culturally sensitive, and compassionate care for individuals, families, communities, and populations that upholds moral, legal, and ethical humanistic principles.

COMMUNICATION: Integrate therapeutic, interpersonal, intraprofessional, interprofessional and informatics communication processes in professional nursing practice.