

# NURSING, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN) (RN-BSN)

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is a fully CCNE accredited Online Degree Completion Program for nurses, who already hold RN licensure. In the program, students develop critical thinking skills for clinical decision-making, prepare to collaborate in multidisciplinary work, shift focus from care of individuals within a community to the health of a community, refine professional communication, and develop leadership skills. The curriculum provides a strong foundation for professional development in a nursing career and the opportunity to gain the knowledge and skills needed for advancement in clinical ladder programs. Students also develop the team skills and technological ability to provide leadership in managed care environments.

This program meets the requirements for certification in Pennsylvania. As regulations vary by state, please check the licensing board in your state.

## Admission Requirements

- The applicant must hold an RN associate or diploma degree in Nursing
- The applicant must hold an unencumbered current RN licensure
- The applicant must have completed 63 or more transferable credits
- The applicant must have a 2.5 or higher RN program GPA (GPA less than 2.5 may be eligible for conditional admission)
- The applicant must be in good academic standing at the most recent institution attended

## Program Learning Outcomes

- Uses effective communication in formal and informal interactions with individuals and group including clients, families, and communities.
- Applies critical thinking process to professional nursing practice.
- Synthesizes knowledge from nursing, scientific, and humanistic disciplines to guide nursing practice.
- Uses the nursing process to promote, maintain, and restore health for individuals, families, and groups within communities.
- Participates with others in providing high quality, cost-effective care and in promoting the health and well-being of individuals, families, and groups within communities.
- Applies research findings to improve and refine nursing practice.
- Evaluates nursing practice in relation to professional/legal standards, ethical principles, and sensitivity to the cultural differences of clients.
- Exercises leadership for the evaluation and enhancement of the quality and effectiveness of nursing practice.
- Values continuing personal and professional development.

## Related Links

Nursing, BSN, RN-BSN Program Page (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/majors-and-minors/nursing-rn-bsn/>)

Nursing Department Page (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/ches/departments/nursing/>)

Professional Licensure/Certification Page (<https://www.sru.edu/students/student-consumer-information/professional-licensures/>)

## Curriculum Guide

### GPA Requirement

Major GPA: 2.0 or higher

Overall GPA: 2.0 or higher

### Summary\*

Code	Title	Hours
	Rock Studies Requirements	45
	Major Requirements	30
	RN Licensure	30
	Electives	15

\* All undergraduate degree programs require a minimum of 120 credits.

Some courses meet multiple requirements, but are only counted once toward the 120 credit total required to graduate.

### Rock Studies Requirements

BSN Students must complete a sum total of 45 SRU Rock Studies-based credits. There are no specific requirements.

### Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Supportive Coursework</b>		
PHIL 325	Medical/Health Care Ethics	3
INDP 317	Statistics for the Social Sciences	3
	Subtotal	6
<b>Required Nursing Courses <sup>1</sup></b>		
NURS 311	Introduction to Health Care Informatics	3
NURS 312	Nursing in Transition	3
NURS 327	Group Process for Nursing	3
NURS 331	Evidence Based Health Assessment and Promotion	3
NURS 422	Nursing Research & Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURS 426	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
NURS 434	Leadership and Management in Nursing with Practice Experience	3
	Subtotal	21
<b>Nursing Electives <sup>1</sup></b>		
	Select 3 credits from the following:	3
NURS 322	The Teaching-Learning Process in Nursing	
NURS 395	Workshop	
NURS 406	Politics and Policy Nursing	
NURS 408	Delivery of Nursing Care in a Managed Care Environment/Clinical	
NURS 429	Financial Management for Nursing Case Managers	
NURS 430	Leadership in Nursing and Healthcare Systems	
NURS 433	Innovative Technology for Healthy Communities	
NURS 440	Nursing Case Management in Today's Healthcare Environment	

NURS 498	Selected Topics
NURS 500	Developing Transcultural Awareness Among Health Professionals
NURS 510	Cardiovascular Function: Assessment and Treatment
NURS 511	Advanced Healthcare Informatics
NURS 514	Bioterrorism and Disaster Management: The Nurse's Role
NURS 516	Nursing for Palliative and End-of-Life Issues
NURS 517	Social Media and Healthcare
NURS 595	Workshop
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>30</b>

<sup>1</sup> Must earn a "C" or better

\* Some courses may require pre-requisites. Please see course descriptions to determine if there are any pre-requisites for that specific course.

## RN and Elective Requirements

Diploma Nurse RNs are awarded a block of 30 credits for their nursing coursework. Associate Degree RNs will find their Nursing coursework delineated as a total number of Electives.

Code	Title	Hours Required
NURS 199	RN Completion (Current Licensure as an RN)	0-30

## Co-curricular and Experiential Learning

Students are encouraged to explore additional curricular and co-curricular opportunities. There is a strong correlation between long-term student success and participation in the following types of programs and activities:

1. International study programs (short-term, semester, and year-long)
2. High-Impact Practice (HIP) designated classes
3. Student-faculty research
4. Job Shadowing
5. Career Education Services

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## Important Curriculum Guide Notes

This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisers to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. *The information on this guide is current as of the date listed. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.*