RN-BSN AND ADN-BSN COLLABORATIVE TRACKS

Units required for Major: 44-46
Total units required for BSN: 120

Program Description

The School of Nursing offers two pathways for students who start their nursing education in a non-baccalaureate program to earn a bachelor's degree (BSN).

These two pathways are:

1. RN-BSN - Traditional 15-Week Semester track
2. ADN to BSN Collaborative track

Both tracks are designed to be completed in 12-15 months if attending full time. Nursing courses are offered in Hyflex hybrid format (mostly online). Prior to enrollment deadlines, students will be informed if courses will be taught asynchronously, synchronously online, or on campus. Some students may need General Education courses, which may be offered online, hybrid, or on campus. The programs include a Community/ Public Health clinical course (NURS 174C) option. Completion of the full program of study, which includes NURS 174C, qualifies students to apply for a Public Health Nurse (PHN) certificate from the California Board of Registered Nursing. The School of Nursing faculty strongly recommend NURS 174C for all students as it is an important part of the BSN education and offers opportunities for diverse nursing roles and employment.

Admission Requirements

RN-BSN - Traditional 15-Week Semester Track:

- Prerequisite courses must be completed prior to admission;
- Must possess a current valid California registered nursing license prior to enrolling in the second semester of the program of NURS 174C;
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.6 upon completion of qualifying nursing program
- Admission to Sacramento State including official transcripts of all institutions attended;
- Completed RN to BSN online application;
- Program admission is contingent upon meeting health-screening and clearance requirements outlined in the RN-BSN handbook.

ADN to BSN Collaborative (ABC) Track:

- Students currently in good standing, actively enrolled in one of the community college nursing programs identified in the Concurrent Enrollment MOU, and selected at their program are eligible to apply;
- Prerequisite courses must be completed prior to admission;
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.6 or higher
- Admission to Sacramento State including official transcripts of all institutions attended;
- Completed ABC RN to BSN program online application;
- Program admission is contingent upon meeting health-screening and clearance requirements outlined in the RN-BSN handbook.

Note: Students must pass the NCELX RN examination and possess a current valid Registered Nurse License by census date in their final semester. Students not passing the examination may apply for the Traditional RN-BSN Program at Sacramento State and have units transferred after they pass the NCLEX RN examination.

Required Prerequisite Requirements

The prerequisite classes listed below must have all been completed prior to admission with a grade of "C" or better and are used as part of the 70 transferable units:

- A two-semester Anatomy and Physiology series with an in-class lab (8 units) such as:
  - BIO 25 Human Anatomy and Physiology I **AND** BIO 26 Human Anatomy Physiology II or Systemic Physiology **OR** BIO 22 Introductory to Human Anatomy **AND** BIO 131 Systemic Physiology
- A Microbiology course with a lab (4 units) such as:
  - BIO 39 Microbiology for Allied Health Students **OR** BIO 139 General Microbiology
- Chemistry as approved by campus; general, inorganic, or integrated; with associated lab (if applicable at the institution where the course was taken) (5 units) such as:
  - CHEM 6A Introduction to General Chemistry
- A Written Communication course (any GE Area A2 course) (3 units) such as:
  - ENGL 5 Accelerated Academic Literacies
- An Oral Communication course (Any GE Area A1 course) (3 units) such as:
  - COMS 4 Introduction to Public Speaking
- A Statistics course (3 units) such as:
  - STAT 1 Introduction to Statistics
- A Critical Thinking course (any GE Area A3 course) (3 units) such as:
  - COMS 2 Argumentation **OR** ENGL 1C Critical Thinking and Writing

In Progress Policy: Classes may be in progress prior to admission. Unofficial transcripts may be submitted for in-progress classes but must be replaced with official transcripts.

Minimum Grade Requirement

Satisfactory completion of the program requires a grade of "C" or better in every nursing course.

RN-BSN Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
RN-BSN - Traditional 15-Week and ADN to BSN Collaborative Track Required Upper Division Courses (46 Units)		
NURS 170	Foundations for Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NURS 171	Transitional Concepts: The Baccalaureate Nurse	6
NURS 173	Theoretical Foundations for Leadership and Management	6
NURS 174	Community Health Nursing: Concepts and Practice	4
NURS 174C	Community Health Nursing: Clinical Elective [1]	2
NURS 178	Culminating Project	3
NURS 179	Professional Communication and Reasoning Development ✎ [2]	3

Nursing NCLEX-RN (National Exam/RN) credit will be awarded in the final semester of the nursing program	19
Total Units	**46**

[1] NURS 174C is an elective course that is only required for students wishing to apply for the California Board of Registered Nursing Public Health Nurse Certificate. Students not planning to apply for a Public Health Nurse Certificate must be petition for an exemption from this clinical course. Students who are granted exemption for NURS 174C will only complete 44 units.

[2] Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

Note:

- Students graduating with a BSN (post-licensure) in Nursing will not be subject to the University's Foreign Language Graduation Requirement. Students who change major may be subject to the University's Foreign Language Graduation Requirement.
- Opportunity to repeat nursing courses will depend upon space availability in classroom and clinical placements.
- Total Units Required for BSN (post-licensure program) 120. Other General Education requirements set by the university must be met.