

# RN-BSN (TRACK B)

Units required for Major: 44

Total units required for BSN: 120

## Program Description

The School of Nursing's Online RN to BSN program at Sacramento State is designed to advance the associate degree RN to the next level in the profession, preparing the graduate BSN for professional leadership roles in society. The Online RN to BSN program will offer students the convenience of multiple start dates every year. Courses will be 8 weeks in length. The program includes an optional Community/Public Health clinical course (NURS 174C). Completion of the full program of study, along with the optional NURS 174C, qualifies students to apply for a Public Health Nurse (PHN) certificate from the California Board of Registered Nursing. The School of Nursing strongly recommends NURS 174C for all students.

## Admission Requirements

- Prerequisite courses must be completed prior to admission;
- Must possess a current valid California registered nursing license prior to enrolling in the second term of the RN to BSN program;
- 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 to BSN handbook.

**Required** Pre-admission Courses:


The following classes must have been completed with a grade of "C" or better.

- Anatomy or Anatomy and Physiology I (with a lab)
- Physiology or Anatomy and Physiology II (with a lab)
- Microbiology (with a lab)
- Chemistry (integrated or organic chemistry is not required)
- Written Communication
- Oral Communication
- Statistics
- Critical Thinking

**Note:** *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.

## Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
<b>Track B - Required Upper Division Courses for RN-BSN Students (44 Units)</b>		
Online 8-Week Course track		
NURS 170	Foundations for Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NURS 171A	Transitional Concepts: The Baccalaureate Nurse Role	3

NURS 171B	Transitional Concepts: The Client Lifespan	3
NURS 173A	Theoretical Foundations for Leadership	3
NURS 173B	Theoretical Foundations for Management	3
NURS 174	Community Health Nursing: Concepts and Practice	4
NURS 178	Culminating Project	3
NURS 179	Professional Communication and Reasoning Development 	3

Nursing NCLEX-RN (National Exam/RN) credit will be awarded in the final semester of the nursing program.

**Total Units** **44**

<sup>1</sup> Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

## General Education Requirements <sup>1</sup>

Code	Title	Units
<b>Area 1: English Communication (9 Units)</b>		
1A	English Composition	3
1B	Critical Thinking	3
1C	Oral Communication	3
<b>Area 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning (3 Units)</b>		
Area 2 Course	- Lower Division	3
<b>Area 3: The Arts and Humanities (6 Units)</b>		
3A	Arts	3
3B	Humanities	3
<b>Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 Units)</b>		
Area 4 Course	-Lower Division	3
Area 4 Course	- Lower Division	3
<b>Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences (7 Units)</b>		
5A	Physical Science	3
5B	Biological Science	3
5C	Laboratory	1
<b>Area 6: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)</b>		
Area 6 Course		3
<b>Upper Division Courses: (9 Units)</b>		
Area 3 Course	- Upper Division	3
Area 4 Course	- Upper Division	3
Area 2 OR Area 5 Course	- Upper Division	3
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>43</b>

<sup>1</sup> To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

**Note:** There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email ([advising@csus.edu](mailto:advising@csus.edu)).

<sup>2</sup> Required in Pre-Admission Courses; also satisfies GE.

<sup>3</sup> Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

## Graduation Requirements <sup>1</sup>

Code	Title	Units
<b>Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (6 Units)</b>		
	American Institutions: U.S. History	3
	American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government	3
	Writing Intensive (WI) <sup>2</sup>	0
<b>Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (6 Units)</b>		
	English Composition II	3
	Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)	3
	Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement <sup>3</sup>	0

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<sup>2</sup> Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

<sup>3</sup> If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/wll/flgr/>  
**Note:** Students with a declared major of Nursing (all concentrations) in are exempt from the Foreign Language Graduation Requirement.