

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING - RN TO BSN DEGREE

Program Description

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree at Lake-Sumter State College complements the coursework and clinical experiences of the ASN, providing a seamless and efficient pathway to a BSN degree.

RN to BSN End-of -Program Student Learning Outcomes

1. Synthesize knowledge from nursing science and liberal studies to apply critical thinking, clinical reasoning, and decision-making skills that improve nursing care of individuals, families, and communities through the life span.
2. Incorporate effective interprofessional and collaboration skills to provide safe, nursing care that promotes patient preferences, mutual respect and improved health and outcomes.
3. Analyze the concepts of nursing leadership and management in the ethical principles of professional nursing to promote safe and quality outcomes of wholistic care in various healthcare environments.
4. Examine the use of information technology to promote the delivery of safe, quality nursing care.
5. Integrate nursing research, theory, and current trends related to nursing practice that promotes health and provides access to healthcare for diverse populations.

RN to BSN Program Outcomes

Program Completion Rate

Benchmark: 85% of students will finish the RN to BSN program within 100% of program length or 3 calendar years.

Job Placement Rate

Benchmark: 85% of BSN graduates will be employed full- or part-time in a nursing position within 12 months of graduation.

Academic Advising

- advising@lssc.edu 352-787-3747

Career Development Services

- Careers@lssc.edu 352-323-3603

RN to BSN Admission Requirements

The RN to BSN program has two admissions requirements:

1. Cumulative GPA of 2.5; and
2. A valid unencumbered FL RN license or Compact license (passed NCLEX exam) OR for conditional acceptance, successful completion of an ASN program. It is expected that candidates will present either a FL RN license or a compact license before the conclusion of the first major semester in the RN to BSN program to continue their enrollment.

Full-Time Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 3825	Professional Role Transition	3
NUR 3169	Evidence and Research in Nursing Practice	3
7-Weeks: B		
NUR 3634C	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
NUR 3125	Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	3
Hours		12
Second Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 3667	Diversity and Global Trends in Nursing	3
NUR 4837	Health Care Policy and Economics in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
BSN Elective ¹		3
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Hours		12
Third Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 4829	Leadership and Management in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
NUR 4945C	Nursing Capstone	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		30

¹ Please note that electives options are available as a transient student with other state colleges. Please meet with a BSN advisor to discuss this as well as any missing general education/lower division course requirements for completion of the BSN

Code	Title	Hours
BSN Electives		
Select two of the following Electives:		6
NUR 3678	Nursing Care of Vulnerable Populations	
NUR 4286	Gerontological Nursing	
NUR 3145	¹	
NUR 3870	Informatics in Healthcare	
NUR 4257	Critical Care Nursing	
NUR 4404	¹	
Total Hours		6

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Part-Time Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 3825	Professional Role Transition	3
7-Weeks: B		
NUR 3125	Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 3169	Evidence and Research in Nursing Practice	3
7-Weeks: B		

NUR 3634C	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
Hours		6
Third Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 3667	Diversity and Global Trends in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
BSN Elective ¹		3
Hours		6
Fourth Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 4837	Health Care Policy and Economics in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
BSN Elective ¹		3
Hours		6
Fifth Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 4829	Leadership and Management in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
NUR 4945C	Nursing Capstone	3
Hours		6
Total Hours		30

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NUR 4286	Gerontological Nursing	
NUR 3145	¹	
NUR 3870	Informatics in Healthcare	
NUR 4257	Critical Care Nursing	
NUR 4404	¹	
Total Hours		6

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Accelerated Plan

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 3825	Professional Role Transition	3
NUR 3169	Evidence and Research in Nursing Practice	3
NUR 3667	Diversity and Global Trends in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
NUR 3125	Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	3
NUR 3634C	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
BSN Elective ¹		3
Hours		18
Second Semester		
7-Weeks: A		
NUR 4837	Health Care Policy and Economics in Nursing	3
NUR 4829	Leadership and Management in Nursing	3
7-Weeks: B		
BSN Elective ¹		3

NUR 4945C	Nursing Capstone	3
Hours		12
Total Hours		30

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RN to BSN Degree Requirements (120 Credit Hours)

Code	Title	Hours
Lower Division Nursing Courses		
These 30 credits are articulated from an ASN program.		30
General Education		
Area I: Communications		
ENC 1101	College Composition I	3
SPC 2608	Public Speaking	3
ENC 1102	Composition: Literature	3
	or ENC 2210 Technical & Professional Writing	
Area II: Humanities		
Select one Writing Emphasis course from each of the following list:		6
Select a State Core Writing Emphasis course in Area II: Humanities ¹		
Select a Writing Emphasis course from Area II: Humanities ¹		
Area III: Social/Behavioral Sciences		
PSY 2012	Introduction to Psychology	3
DEP 2004	Psychology of Human Development	3
Area IV: Mathematics		
Mathematics General Education ¹		3
STA 2023	Elementary Statistics I	3
Area V: Natural Sciences		
Natural Sciences State Core		3
Natural Sciences General Education		3
Area VI: Personal Growth and Development		
Select a 3 credit hour course from the following list:		3
CGS 1100	Business Computer Applications	
CRW 2000	Creative Writing I	
HUN 1201	Nutrition with Diet Therapy	
Any first level Foreign Language course		

Any SLS course

Elective College Credits		
Choose 24 credits, which may include Writing Emphasis courses, Foreign Language, and Civic Literacy		24
BSN Core		
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NUR 3169	Evidence and Research in Nursing Practice	3
NUR 3634C	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
NUR 3667	Diversity and Global Trends in Nursing	3
NUR 3825	Professional Role Transition	3
NUR 4829	Leadership and Management in Nursing	3
NUR 4837	Health Care Policy and Economics in Nursing	3
NUR 4945C	Nursing Capstone	3
BSN Electives		
Select two of the following:		6
NUR 3870	Informatics in Healthcare	
NUR 4286	Gerontological Nursing	
NUR 3678	Nursing Care of Vulnerable Populations	
NUR 4257	Critical Care Nursing	
Total Hours		120

¹ See Choices

Students may also take NUR 3145 and HSC 4404 at partnering BSN programs as transient students.

Graduation Requirements

As per the amended Florida Rule 6A-10.02413, prior to the award of an associate in arts or baccalaureate degree, LSSC students under the 2021-2022 Catalog and thereafter must demonstrate competency in civic literacy through one of the following options prior to graduation:

- successfully passing POS 2041 American National Government or AMH 2020 U.S. History Since 1877 and achieving a 60% or higher on the Florida Civic Literacy Exam , or
- successfully passing a prescribed assessment:
 - AP Government & Politics Test: United States (passing score of 3), or
 - AP U.S. History Test (passing score of 4), or
 - CLEP: American Government (passing score of 50)

To verify your Civic Literacy Requirement, please visit DegreeWorks.

Fulfill the Florida Foreign Language Competence requirement for bachelor's degrees, even if this requires the student to exceed 120 total semester credit hours. Students may fulfill this requirement by successfully completing one of the following options:

- Completion of two (2) credits at the secondary (high school) level in the same language
- Complete and pass the elementary 2 level or higher of one foreign language at the college level