

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

with a major in

# NURSING

*RN TO BS COMPLETION PROGRAM*



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A Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Nursing will expand professional opportunities for registered nurses practicing in a variety of health care settings, such as hospitals, home health, long-term care and primary care settings. Graduates will be prepared to assume new roles, to exhibit new leadership skills and to pursue their studies in graduate level nursing programs.

The Franklin Pierce University RN to BS program is fully accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission and is designed for registered nurses who need a flexible and convenient program as they juggle work commitments, family life, and personal time. The program is structured for students who hold a current license to practice as a registered nurse and have completed an Associate Degree or a Diploma nursing program. Credits earned in college programs previously attended are applied to both the Franklin Pierce University core curriculum and the requirements of the major where appropriate. Each student's program of study is individually designed based on previous education experiences.

Nursing classes are offered during the evening at the Franklin Pierce University Centers for Higher Education in Concord, Lebanon and Portsmouth. General education courses can be taken at any of the centers, as well as online. Most courses are offered through a hybrid format; a combination of in-class and online delivery.



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“ As registered nurses, you make a difference to your patients and families every day... but now it's time to join the growing ranks of baccalaureate prepared nurses. Our RN to BS program will provide you with the flexibility, quality, and individualized attention you are looking for... let Franklin Pierce make a difference **for you!** ”

- Dr. Patricia A. Ottani, Director of Nursing Education

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## The Program

Courses are offered during the evening and/or in-class/online (hybrid) in eight week terms, allowing students to progress rapidly and complete the program in less than two years of full-time study. Full-time study is defined as taking 6 credits (2 or more courses) per eight week term. Nursing courses can be taken while the student is completing general education courses.

- Credit for nursing and other courses completed for an associate degree or hospital diploma program may be transferred into the Franklin Pierce University program. Courses must have been completed with a grade of "C" or better to be transferred.
- Franklin Pierce Nursing faculty members are experienced professional leaders who practice as care providers, staff development experts, nurse researchers and administrators, in addition to their nurse educator role.

## Degree Requirements

- A total of **120 credits** must be earned in the nursing program in order to qualify for graduation.
- A maximum of **90 credits** may be transferred into the program. This includes 30 credits awarded for Nursing (NR or NU) courses taken elsewhere, in your associate degree nursing program, for example.
- All students must earn a minimum of **30 credits** at Franklin Pierce University. Of these 30 credits, **12 credits** must be earned in the nursing major. These courses are required for all baccalaureate nursing majors.

## Course of Study

Course of Study	Credits
<b>General Education Core Courses</b>	<b>36</b>
IC105 College Writing I	3
IC106 College Writing II	3
IC103 Career Image, Planning and Management	3
MT260 Statistics	3
_____ Natural Sciences*	6
_____ Mathematics	3
_____ Social Sciences**	6
_____ Arts	3
_____ Humanities	6

\*Anatomy and Physiology courses can be transferred in to satisfy the natural sciences requirement.

\*\*A Psychology course will satisfy one social science course requirement.

<b>Nursing Foundation Courses</b> <i>(may transfer)</i>	<b>21</b>
Anatomy & Physiology I & II	6
Microbiology	3
Chemistry	3
Introduction to Psychology	3
Human Growth & Development	3
Nutrition <i>(Challenge exam available)</i>	3

<b>Nursing Major Courses</b>	<b>33</b>
CIT101 Microcomputer Applications	3
PA250 World Religions	3
NR300 Transition to Baccalaureate Nursing <i>(Diploma nurses will need a "B" or better to receive nursing credits and advance in the program.)</i>	3
NR320 Evidence-Based Practice	3
NR330 Health Assessment & Clinical Decision Making	3
NR400 Health Policy and the Role of the Professional Nurse	3
NR420 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan	3
NR442 Community Health and the Role of the Professional Nurse	3
NR444 Community Health and the Role of the Professional Nurse Practicum	3
NR490 Leadership in Professional Nursing Practice, Seminar and Practicum	6

<b>Nursing Course Credits</b>	<b>30</b>
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*Diploma graduates will have nursing credits approved upon completion of NR300 with a grade of "B" or better.*

*Information accurate at time of printing. Please see the full Academic Catalog on our web site for complete program description and course information. Franklin Pierce University reserves the right to change academic programs, policies, regulations, fees and calendars without notice.*  
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