

Adult Studies

Bachelor of Science, RN to BSN Track

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The Union University School of Nursing offers its program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Basic BSN track and RN to BSN track). The RN to BSN track for Registered Nurses is offered on both the Jackson and Germantown Campuses. The program is approved by the Tennessee Board of Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. CCNE may be contacted at One Dupont Circle, NW Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120 or 202-887-6791.

The School of Nursing encourages the educational mobility of registered nurses holding the associate degree or diploma in nursing. All registered nurse students take NUR 333 upon entering the B.S.N. program. Upon successful completion of NUR 333, the student is awarded 37 hours of Nursing credit.

RN to BSN students are strongly encouraged to hold membership in the Tennessee Nurses Association (TNA).

Program Admission

An applicant must apply to the University and meet University admission requirements as well as:

1. Provide evidence of graduation from a state-approved school of nursing and hold current R.N. licensure.
2. Make application to the RN-BSN Program.
3. Demonstrate professional liability insurance coverage. Students may elect to purchase malpractice insurance through the school.
4. Maintain current CPR for Health Care Provider certification throughout the nursing program of study.
5. Fully complete a University Health History Form and a Physical Examination Form signed by a practitioner qualifying the applicant for nursing education. Provide documentation of current immunizations, including tetanus booster within the past 10 years, an acceptable Hepatitis B titer and Rubella immunization. Documentation of a negative screen for tuberculosis (skin test or chest x-ray) within the past 12 months is required. This data should be submitted on the form supplied by School of Nursing.

Degree Requirements

- I. General Core Requirements
 - A. General Core and transfer policies specific to Adult Studies are detailed in the "Adult Studies" section of the *Catalogue*.
 - B. Must include MAT 114 as the Math requirement
 - C. The Speech requirement is considered met within the oral communication components of nursing clinicals
 - D. Sciences must include BIO 300.
- II. Upper level (300/400 level) Electives—6 hours
- III. Nursing Major Requirements—30 hours plus 37 basic nursing education hours
 - A. Basic Nursing Education—37 hours held in escrow until successful completion of NUR 333
 - B. NUR 310, 330, 333, 410, 419, 430, 440—24 hours
 - C. NUR Upper Level Electives—5 hours

License Renewal

Registered Nurses may be admitted as non-degree seeking students to renew their Tennessee Nursing License. See the Department Chair for details.

Assessment of Majors

Majors are required to take the National League of Nursing (NLN), or other standardized nursing tests throughout the program of study.

Course Descriptions

() Hours Credit

All descriptions are found in the basic program except the following course tailored for the RN-BSN Track:

NUR 333. Concepts of Professional Nursing (4)

The focus of this course is to acclimate the returning RN student to the professional nursing concepts found in wholistic nursing as derived from theory or research and include critical thinking and communication. This course also provides an emphasis on elements of professional writing, portfolio development and life-long learning.