

RN-BSN (TRACK B)



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Health & Human Services

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Nursing

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Type of Program:

Major

Program Change Type:

Non-Substantive

Delivery Format:

Fully Online

What is the instructional modality of all courses in this program?

Both

Title of the Program:

RN-BSN (Track B)

Designation: (degree terminology)

Bachelor of Science

Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification:

Changing order of courses in the program such that NURS 171A is the required first course and NURS 178 is the required last course for all students. The content and rigor of the previous first course negatively affected enrollment and progression to graduation. The change appropriately levels the content for student success.

Updating objectives and adding four to comply with the California Board of Registered Nursing requirements for the Public Health Nurse Certificate.

This program was approved but has never been offered. It was initially intended to be offered through CCE. Changing from 8-week courses to full semester courses allows this program to be offered stateside and include cross-enrollment students from local community colleges per our Collaborative MOU.

University Learning Goals**Undergraduate Learning Goals:**

Competence in the disciplines
Intellectual and practical skills
Personal and social responsibility
Integrative learning

Program Learning Outcomes**Program Learning Outcomes****Learning Outcome**

1. Synthesizes theories and concepts from the sciences, the arts, and nursing in nursing practice
2. Interprets personal values and beliefs while respecting the values and beliefs of others.
3. Synthesizes principles of leadership in the delivery of safe and efficient health care.
4. Employs effective communication strategies to improve health outcomes.
5. Exemplifies the values and beliefs of professional nursing consistent with the American Nurses Association code of ethics.
6. Utilizes patient care technologies and information management systems to promote quality care delivery.
7. Translates current evidence into nursing practice to improve health outcomes.
8. Translates current healthcare policy, finance, and regulation to improve health outcomes.
9. Utilizes principles of health promotion and disease prevention to improve population health.

Learning Outcomes Display

Course Code	PLO 1	PLO 2	PLO 3	PLO 4	PLO 5	PLO 6	PLO 7	PLO 8	PLO 9
NURS 170	2✓			2✓	2✓		2✓		
NURS 171A	□	□	□	□					□

NURS 171B			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NURS 173A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NURS 173B			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
NURS 174	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NURS 178	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
NURS 179	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Will this program be required as part of a teaching credential program, a single subject, or multiple subject waiver program (e.g., Liberal Studies, Biology) or other school personnel preparation program (e.g., School of Nursing)?

No

Do these changes impact the degree roadmap?

No

Catalog Description:

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 going at their own pace through the program, number of units taken, and time to graduation to fit their lives. The program offers an optional Community/Public Health clinical course (NURS 174C). Completion of the full program of study, along with 90 hours of clinical, qualifies students to apply for a Public Health Nurse (PHN) certificate from the California Board of Registered Nursing.

Admission Requirements: Course prerequisites and other criteria for admission of students to the degree major program, and for their continuation in it.

Admission Requirements

- Prerequisite courses must be completed prior to admission;
- Must possess a current valid California registered nursing license prior to enrolling in NURS 174 or the second term of the RN to BSN program, whichever is first;
- 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 / lab optional)
- 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 prior to enrollment.

As defined by policy <http://www.csus.edu/umannual/acadaff/fsm00010.htm>, a change in units constitutes a substantive change to the program. If your changes constitute a substantive change, please refer back to the "Program Change Type" field above to ensure that "Substantive" is selected.

Program Requirements: (If new courses are being created as part of a new program, it will be useful to propose courses first.)

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Track B - Required Upper Division Courses for RN-BSN Students (44 Units) ²		
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  ¹	3
Nursing NCLEX-RN (National Exam/RN) credit will be awarded in the final semester of the nursing program.		19
Total Units		44

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

² NURS 174C: Community Health Nursing Clinical Elective (2 units) offered summers only

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects		
A1 - Oral Communication ²		0
A2 - Written Communication ²		0
A3 - Critical Thinking ²		0
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (3 Units)		
B1 - Physical Science ²		0
B2 - Life Forms ²		0
B3 - Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5) ²		0
B4 - Math Concepts ²		0
B5 - Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (9 Units)		
C1 - Arts		3
C2 - Humanities		3
C1/C2 - Area C Course		3
C1/C2 - Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ³		0
Area D: The Individual and Society (12 Units)		
Area D Course		3
Area D Course		3
Area D Course		3
Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Total Units		27

¹ 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).

² Required in Pre-Admission Courses; also satisfies GE.

³ Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (6 Units)		
	American Institutions: U.S. History	3

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

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² Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

³ 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.

Fiscal Impact to Change an Existing Program

Indicate programmatic or fiscal impact which this change will have on other academic units' programs, and describe the consultation that has occurred with affected units:

No programmatic or fiscal impact anticipated.

Provide a fiscal analysis of the proposed changes:

n/a

How will the above changes be accommodated within the department/College existing fiscal resources?

Suspending the RN-BSN and ABC Collaborative program, thus faculty workload will be allocated to the RN-BSN Track B. NURS 174C will now only be offered once annually rather than twice to address low enrollment.

Will the proposed changes require additional resources?

No

What additional space, equipment, operating expenses, library, computer, or media resources, clerical/technical support, or other resources will be needed?

none

Estimate the cost and indicate how these resource needs will be accommodated:

Anticipated saving in faculty units to teach while providing more flexibility for PT attendance by students.

Key: 191