

# NURSING: RN TO BSN (8700)

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE  
ONLINE PROGRAM

The nursing education program for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326 (404) 975-5000, acenursing.org.

The program is designed for Associate degree registered nurses who hold a current valid, and unencumbered licensure as a Registered Nurse in the United States, or ASN graduates who are waiting to take the licensure exam and seek advanced studies in nursing. The BSN program will provide traditional and nontraditional registered nurse students with access to a baccalaureate degree, in an online format.

## **DEPARTMENT OF NURSING BSN PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT**

The BSN degree curriculum fosters personal and professional growth through traditional and non-traditional learning experiences to facilitate the educational advancement of the Registered Nurse. The BSN program seeks to further amplify the student's safe and effective patient care practices and to prepare students for careers that positively affect health care within their communities. The BSN curriculum builds on the competencies, knowledge, and practices that the students bring from previous academic nursing programs and work experiences, and the curriculum expands on professional nursing values resulting in a broader scope of professional practice and professional role identity.

## **END OF PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES**

At the completion of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program, the BSN student should be able to:

1. Expand the use of the nursing process to construct safe and effective care in the restoration of self-care agency of individuals, families, and communities. (Nursing Judgment)
2. Create open communication, mutual respect, and shared decision making to achieve desired healthcare outcomes. (Collaboration)
3. Appraise evidence-based research to improve nursing practice and healthcare outcomes. (Evidence-Based Practice)
4. Integrate knowledge from nursing and other disciplines to provide culturally competent care to diverse global populations. (Culture)

For additional information, visit our website at [SJRstate.edu](http://SJRstate.edu) or call the Palatka nursing office at (386) 312-4176, the Orange Park nursing office at (904) 276-6863 or the St. Augustine allied health office at (904) 808-7465.

The program consists of 120 credit hours of general education and nursing-related core courses.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

The BSN program is an open access program for students who meet the following admission requirements:

1. Admission to SJR State
2. Submission of a completed application to the baccalaureate program in nursing
3. Completion of an Associate in Science degree in Nursing with at least a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale prior to upper division acceptance
4. Submission of official transcript(s) indicating the coursework taken and the degree(s) awarded
5. Proof of an active, current, valid, and unencumbered license as a Registered Nurse in the United States. A student, waiting for licensure, may be admitted in a provisional status for one year after graduation from a registered nurse program, as long as all other admission criteria are met.

## **POST ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Following acceptance into the program, BSN students must complete the following requirements. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in administrative withdrawal from the nursing program.

1. Complete the online BSN Student Orientation
2. Students must complete the American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers (CPR & AED) program – BLS for Health Care Providers certification is to be valid through the date of graduation from the SJR State BSN nursing program. ACLS may be substituted for BLS.
3. Maintain an active, current, valid, and unencumbered licensure as a Registered Nurse in Florida. A student may be admitted in a provisional status for one year while awaiting licensure as long as other admission criteria are met.

The Florida Department of Education requires common prerequisite courses. SJR State recommends the following courses or equivalents as listed in the FDOE Common Prerequisite Manual:

- BSC 2085/2085L Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Laboratory for Human Anatomy and Physiology I
- BSC 2086/2086L Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Laboratory for Human Anatomy and Physiology II
- Any CHM XXXX, BSC XXXX, BCH XXXX, PCB XXXX, PHY XXXX with a minimum of 3 credit hours\*\*
- DEP 2004 Human Growth and Development
- HUN 1201 Human Nutrition
- MCB 2010/2010L Microbiology and Laboratory for Microbiology
- PSY 2012 General Psychology
- STA 2023 Statistics \*\*

These courses may be taken prior to admission.

\*\* May be taken concurrently with upper level courses

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**GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES** **36**

(Refer to Associate in Arts general education requirements)

**LOWER LEVEL SPECIALIZED COURSES** **54**

**UPPER LEVEL BSN COURSES:**

+ NUR 3065	Health Assessment.....	3
+ NUR 3125	Pathophysiology.....	3
+ NUR 3164	Informatics & Evidenced-Based Practice .....	3
+ NUR 3169	Applied Evidence-Based Practice in Professional Nursing Practice.....	3
+ NUR 3655	Community, Diversity, and Population-Based Care.....	3
NUR 3805	Professional Roles & Dimensions of Professional Nursing Practice .....	3
+ NUR 3826	Legal and Ethical Issues in Nursing .....	3
+ NUR 3837	Introduction to Nursing Management Systems .....	3
+ NUR 4894	Teaching & Learning in Nursing Practice .....	3
+ NUR 4949	Nursing Capstone (Director approval required) .....	3

**REQUIRED TOTAL CREDIT HOURS** **120**

Note: In addition to the above course requirements, all Bachelor of Science students will be required to complete the foreign language requirement. Students who did not complete the foreign language requirement in high school or before acceptance into the program will need to complete an additional 8 credit hours of sequential foreign language before graduation. Students must complete all Bachelor of Science nursing courses with a final grade of "C" or higher.

+ Prerequisite course required. See course description in catalog.