Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

The College of Nursing has made earning a nursing degree flexible, convenient and affordable. Students wanting to become a nurse can attend face-to-face 'lock-step' programs in Orlando and on select regional campuses. Programs for registered nurses (RN) are offered online.

DID YOU KNOW?
UCF produces the most newly licensed nurses in the state through its competitive pre-licensure BSN program, and its graduates consistently achieve one of the highest first-time pass rates in the nation on the NCLEX-RN exam.

INFORMATION SESSIONS:
The College of Nursing hosts bi-weekly information sessions on the main Orlando campus and on UCF regional campuses. Check our website for dates and times.

PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES:
• Undergraduate honors thesis program
• Military Enlisted Commissioning Program (MECP)
• On-campus living learning community for pre-nursing students
• Opportunity to take graduate-level courses during RN to BSN and Florida College System Concurrent programs
• Scholarships available

NURSING ACCREDITATION
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree at UCF is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, D.C., 20001, (t: 202-887-6791). The CCNE is one of the accrediting agencies nationally recognized by the United States Secretary of Education to accredit nursing education programs.

The college is a member of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing and approved by the Florida Board of Nursing.
PREREQUISITE BSN COURSES

Applicants must earn a “C” (2.0) or better in all prerequisite courses.

Science Courses:
CHM 1032 (3) General Chemistry or other approved physical or life science*
MCB 2004C (4) Microbiology with lab
ZOO 3733C (4) Human Anatomy**
PCB 3703C (4) Human Physiology**

Other Courses:
PSY 2012 (3) General Psychology* or SYG 2000 (3) General Sociology*
STA 2014 (3) or STA 2023 (3) Principles of Statistics*
DEP 2004 (3) Developmental Psychology
HUN 3011 (3) Human Nutrition

* Also meets UCF’s general education requirements

* Chemistry is preferred and strongly encouraged. Must be a BSC, BCH, CHM, PCB or PHY course. If anything other than Chemistry, the course must have been taken at a Florida public institution or be an approved course through Academic Services via the Transfer Evaluation Request Process.

** Must take two courses from the SAME sequence: Sequence Option 1 (Human Anatomy and Human Physiology) or Sequence Option 2 (Anatomy and Physiology I and II).

Please note: prerequisite requirements are subject to change. Visit our website for the most current requirements.

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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN)
The American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the national voice for baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs, recognizes the BSN degree as the minimum educational requirement for professional nursing practice.

TRADITIONAL BSN
Students generally apply to this program prior to their junior year in college. As a full-time ‘lock-step’ program, it takes five consecutive semesters to complete, including summers. Admission is limited and occurs once a year on UCF’s Orlando, Cocoa and Daytona Beach campuses. Graduates are eligible to sit for the RN licensure exam.

SECOND DEGREE BSN
This program is for students who have a non-nursing bachelor’s degree and now aim to become nurses. As a full-time ‘lock-step’ program, it takes four consecutive semesters to complete, including summers. Admission is limited and occurs each summer on UCF’s Orlando campus. Graduates are eligible to sit for the RN licensure exam.

CONCURRENT ASN TO BSN
This unique, alternative program allows qualified students to take Associate of Science in Nursing courses at approved state colleges while concurrently taking BSN courses at UCF. Students are eligible to sit for the RN licensure exam after completing their ASN degree from the state college. Students will complete their ASN degree with more than half of their BSN credits already earned, allowing them to complete their BSN degree from UCF sooner. This program is offered in partnership with Seminole State College (Altamonte Springs campus) and Valencia College (West campus). Additionally, students enrolled in an ASN program at any Florida College System institution may apply for a fully online concurrent option after completing their first semester in the ASN program.

RN TO BSN
This web-based bachelor’s degree completion program is designed for registered nurses who have an Associate of Science in Nursing degree or have completed a diploma nursing program. Courses are taught online. If desired, some face-to-face instruction is offered through UCF Connect regional campuses. A unique partnership with Health First provides students with an additional regional option of completing the program as a cohort with initial courses taught at the Center for Learning Rivercrest Plaza in Melbourne.

Nurses who plan to pursue a graduate degree later can get a head start by substituting up to 9 credit hours of graduate courses* while enrolled in either UCF’s RN to BSN or Florida College System Concurrent ASN to BSN programs.

* Graduate tuition rates will apply. See plan of study for details.

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