

NURSING FOR REGISTERED NURSES - B.S.N.

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Description

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree in Nursing for Registered Nurses is for registered nurses (RN) with a diploma or associate degree who are seeking an accredited bachelor's degree in nursing. The completer program is offered fully online for part- and full-time students. Expert faculty and administrators work closely with students to equip them to meet the future challenges of professional nursing and influence the future of health care.

Fully Offered At:

- Online

Accreditation

The B.S.N. degree Nursing for Registered Nurses at Kent State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.

Admission Requirements

The university affirmatively strives to provide educational opportunities and access to students with varied backgrounds, those with special talents and adult students who graduated from high school three or more years ago.

Admission to the Nursing for Registered Nurses major is selective. Criteria for admission includes the following:

- Evidence of graduation in good standing from a state-approved associate degree or diploma nursing program with a minimum 2.000 (on a 4.0 scale) overall GPA¹
- Active, unrestricted registered nurse (RN) license in the state in which practica will be completed²
- Completion of required science courses or their direct equivalents with a cumulative 2.0 GPA²
 - Anatomy and Physiology: BSCI 21010 and BSCI 21020
 - Chemistry: CHEM 10050 or CHEM 10055
 - Microbiology: BSCI 20021

¹ Effective spring 2020, evidence of admission in good standing from a state-approved associate degree or diploma nursing program with a minimum 2.000 (on a 4.0 scale) overall GPA.

² Effective spring 2020, no longer required for admission.

English Language Proficiency Requirements for International Students:

All international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning a minimum 525 TOEFL score (71 on the Internet-based version), minimum 75 MELAB score, minimum 6.0 IELTS score or minimum 48 PTE Academic score, or

by completing the ELS level 112 Intensive Program. For more information on international admission, visit the Office of Global Education's admission website.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Acquire competencies based on professional standards to assume the role of the professional nurse and for career advancement, including graduate studies.
2. Apply the nursing process in providing evidence-based, culturally sensitive care to promote health and adaptation of individuals, families, groups and communities

University Requirements

All students in a bachelor's degree program at Kent State University must complete the following university requirements for graduation.

NOTE: University requirements may be fulfilled in this program by specific course requirements. Please see Program Requirements for details.

Destination Kent State: First Year Experience	1
Course is not required for students with 25 transfer credits, excluding College Credit Plus, or age 21+ at time of admission.	
Diversity Domestic/Global (DIVD/DIVG)	2 courses
Students must successfully complete one domestic and one global course, of which one must be from the Kent Core.	
Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR)	varies
Students must successfully complete one course or approved experience.	
Kent Core (see table below)	36-37
Writing-Intensive Course (WIC)	1 course
Students must earn a minimum C grade in the course.	
Upper-Division Requirement	39 (or 42)
Students must successfully complete 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours to graduate. Students in a B.A. and/or B.S. degree in the College of Arts and Sciences must complete 42 upper-division credit hours.	
Total Credit Hour Requirement	120
Some bachelor's degrees require students to complete more than 120 credit hours.	

Kent Core Requirements

Kent Core Composition (KCOMP)	6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (KMCR)	3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (KHUM/KFA) (min one course each)	9
Kent Core Social Sciences (KSS) (must be from two disciplines)	6
Kent Core Basic Sciences (KBS/KLAB) (must include one laboratory)	6-7
Kent Core Additional (KADL)	6
Total Credit Hours:	36-37

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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Code	Title	Credit Hours
Prerequisite Requirements (min C graded required in all courses)		
BSCI 20021 or BSCI 30171	BASIC MICROBIOLOGY GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY	3
BSCI 21010	ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I (KBS) (KLAB) ¹	4
BSCI 21020	ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II ¹	4
CHEM 10050 or CHEM 10055 or CHEM 10060	FUNDAMENTALS OF CHEMISTRY (KBS) MOLECULES OF LIFE (KBS) GENERAL CHEMISTRY I (KBS)	3
Major Requirements (courses count in major GPA; minimum C grade required in all courses)		
BSCI 30050 or BSCI 30156	HUMAN GENETICS ELEMENTS OF GENETICS	3
NURS 35040 or NURS 45030	COMPLEMENTARY AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTH ² PROFESSIONAL LITERACY: SKILLS TO CAREER ADVANCEMENT	3
NURS 40075	INFORMATION AND PATIENT CARE TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS	3
NURS 40873	INTRODUCTION TO EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE FOR REGISTERED NURSES	3
NURS 41000	CONCEPTS AND ISSUES FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 42000	LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 43001	HEALTH PROMOTION (ELR) ³	3
NURS 44000	POPULATION-BASED NURSING FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 45000	HEALTH MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 46000	HEALTH CARE POLICY	3
NURS 47001	CAPSTONE FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE (WIC) ³	3
NUTR 23511	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS)	3
Statistics Elective, choose from the following:		3-4
MATH 10041	INTRODUCTORY STATISTICS (KMCR)	
NURS 31010	APPLICATIONS FOR STATISTICAL FINDINGS FOR EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE	
PH 30002	INTRODUCTORY BIostatISTICS	
PSYC 21621	QUANTITATIVE METHODS IN PSYCHOLOGY I	
Additional Requirements (courses do not count in major GPA)		
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
SOC 12050	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
UC 10097	DESTINATION KENT STATE: FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE	1
Kent Core Composition		6
Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning (min C grade)		3
Kent Core Humanities and Fine Arts (minimum one course from each)		9
Kent Core Additional		3
Associate Degree Courses and General Electives (total credit hours depends on earning 120 credit hours, including 39 upper-division credit hours)		39
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		120

¹ Students who have successfully completed ATTR 25057 (or EXSC 25057) and ATTR 25058 (or EXSC 25058) with a minimum C grade may use those courses in place of BSCI 21010 and BSCI 21020.

² With permission of the undergraduate program director, another upper-division nursing or health care course may be substituted for NURS 35040 or NURS 45030.

³ Students who have completed NURS 43000 may use it to substitute for NURS 43001. However, they must take NURS 47000, which will substitute for NURS 47001.

Progression Requirements

To be eligible to register for nursing (NURS) courses, students must have successfully completed:

- Active, unrestricted registered nurse (RN) license in the state in which practica will be completed
- Completion of required science courses or their direct equivalents with a cumulative 2.0 GPA
 - Anatomy and Physiology: BSCI 21010 and BSCI 21020
 - Chemistry: CHEM 10050 or CHEM 10055
 - Microbiology: BSCI 20021
- All Kent Core requirements
- Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning course with minimum C grade
- BSCI 30050 or BSCI 30156 (or equivalent) with minimum C grade
- The following courses (or their equivalents): NUTR 23511; PSYC 11762; SOC 12050; and MATH 10041 (or NURS 31010 or PH 30002 or PSYC 21621)

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

Roadmap

Semester Prerequisite		Credits
BSCI 21010	ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I (KBS) (KLAB)	4
BSCI 21020	ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY II	4
BSCI 20021	BASIC MICROBIOLOGY	3
or	or GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY	
BSCI 30171		
CHEM 10050	FUNDAMENTALS OF CHEMISTRY (KBS)	3
or	or MOLECULES OF LIFE (KBS)	
CHEM 10055	or GENERAL CHEMISTRY I (KBS)	
or		
CHEM 10060		
Associate Degree Courses		33
Credit Hours		47

Semester One		Credits
PSYC 11762	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
SOC 12050	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	3
UC 10097	DESTINATION KENT STATE: FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE	1
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		13

Semester Two		Credits
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
Kent Core Requirement		3
General Elective		3
Credit Hours		15

Semester Three		Credits
BSCI 30050	HUMAN GENETICS	3
or	or ELEMENTS OF GENETICS	
BSCI 30156		
NUTR 23511	SCIENCE OF HUMAN NUTRITION (KBS)	3
Statistics Elective		3-4
Kent Core Requirement		3
Credit Hours		12

Semester Four		Credits
NURS 40075	INFORMATION AND PATIENT CARE TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS	3
NURS 41000	CONCEPTS AND ISSUES FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 42000	LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 43001	HEALTH PROMOTION (ELR)	3
Credit Hours		12

Semester Five		Credits
NURS 35040	COMPLEMENTARY AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTH	3
or	or PROFESSIONAL LITERACY: SKILLS TO	
NURS 45030	CAREER ADVANCEMENT	
NURS 44000	POPULATION-BASED NURSING FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 45000	HEALTH MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE	3
NURS 46000	HEALTH CARE POLICY	3
General Elective		3
Credit Hours		15

Semester Six		Credits
NURS 40873	INTRODUCTION TO EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICE FOR REGISTERED NURSES	3
NURS 47001	CAPSTONE FOR PROFESSIONAL NURSING PRACTICE (WIC)	3
Credit Hours		6
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		120