RN to BSN
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The online RN to BSN program provides a flexible alternative for registered nurses to attain a bachelor’s degree in nursing. This program builds upon previous nursing knowledge and experience; it eliminates duplication of content and clinical practice experience achieved by the skilled registered nurse.

The professional curriculum consists of 120 semester credit hours of core and professional courses. Many courses from previous education are eligible for transfer credit. You can be awarded 57 advanced nursing credits on the degree plan based on your graduation from an accredited nursing program and current nursing licensure.

A minimum of 30 credits of baccalaureate degree must be completed at UTEP and/or via Online Education from The University of Texas TeleCampus. The RN-only courses comprise 20 of these credits. The other 10 credits are either university core courses or electives. The RN/BSN program includes 5 RN-only courses offered every 6 weeks with a week’s break in between. RN-only courses can be completed in 27 weeks.

Advantages of Our Program

FLEXIBLE TO FIT ANY SCHEDULE
- Online learning gives you a wide range of learning experiences
- Enroll full time or part time
- It is feasible that a Registered Nurse could complete the RN to BSN Program in as little as six months

LEADERSHIP PREPARATION
- Equips you with the professional knowledge you need to become a leader
- Prepares you to apply your knowledge in a management position
- Prepares you for graduate school

Admissions Criteria

REGISTERED NURSES MAY QUALIFY FOR ADMISSION IN THE RN/BSN OPTION BASED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Graduate of an accredited associate degree nursing program, diploma nursing program, and/or foreign nursing program
- Current unencumbered licensure as a registered nurse
- Minimum overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 for full acceptance
- Completion and submission of admission application to UTEP
- Compliance with all UTEP admission requirements and stipulations contained in the current UTEP undergraduate catalog
- Documentation of current CPR for Health Care providers
- Documentation of current professional liability insurance
- Authorization for UTEP initiated background check
- Authorization and submission of UTEP initiated drug screen
- TB clearance

“UTEP’s revised RN to BSN program provides nurses the knowledge needed to practice at the BSN level, as well as a solid foundation for graduate studies. Our courses are taught by experienced faculty using a highly interactive, modular format. It’s possible to complete the program in approximately six months, and at a substantial cost savings when compared to more traditional programs."

-- Robert L. Anders, Dr PH
About the UTEP School of Nursing

The School of Nursing joined the UTEP family in 1976 and has since achieved national recognition for its bachelors’ and masters’ programs with an enrollment of more than 500 students each year. Annually, the school graduates more than 200 students, 60 percent of whom stay in El Paso.

The UTEP School of Nursing is home to the fourth-largest undergraduate program in Texas and ranks third in the nation for the number of nursing degrees awarded to Hispanics. The School received recognition in the Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education Magazine and by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for its excellence in nursing education.

The UTEP School of Nursing curriculum is fully approved by the Texas Board of Nursing and is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

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Curriculum

**NURS 4300 CONTEMPORARY NURSING PRACTICE (3 CREDITS)**

This course focuses on the study of professional nursing with emphasis on the challenging role of the nurse in contemporary society and the differentiated knowledge and practice expectations of the BSN nurse compared to an ADN nurse.

**NURS 4303 NURSING INFORMATICS (3 CREDITS)**

This course introduces nursing informatics as an integration of nursing, computer, and information sciences for the support of nursing practice. It will acquaint practicing nurses with the integration of global technology throughout nursing.

**NURS 4414 NURSING RESEARCH AND STATISTICS (4 CREDITS)**

This course focuses on basic concepts and processes of research and statistics, and the use of evidence-based practice as a decision making model for practice.

**NURS 4502 ISSUES AND PROBLEMS IN LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT (5 CREDITS)**

This course focuses on the professional nurse’s role as coordinator of care in a complex health care environment. Observational experience required.

**NURS 4503 COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING (5 CREDITS)**

This course focuses on the principles and practices of public health and community health applied from a multi-disciplinary approach to address the health concerns of individuals, families, groups, and aggregate populations. Observational experience required.