RN-B.S. Program



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Our RN-B.S. degree is designed to meet the needs of the registered nurse who wishes to complete a bachelor's degree as a preparation for career advancement. Our degree is distinguished by its flexibility, affordability and quality. All of our nursing courses are available online.

Our B.S. degree with a major in nursing prepares registered nurses like you for leadership roles in the total spectrum of health care agencies and settings. Our graduates are skilled in utilizing the knowledge of the physical and social sciences as integral aspects of nursing and are prepared to enter graduate programs that will further increase their nursing competencies and skills. School of Nursing 1240 Normal Road, DeKalb, IL 60115 Phone: 833-358-1715 Email: niuonline@niu.edu





RN-B.S. Degree Course List

Required Courses (28 credit hours)

NURS 347	Concepts and Issues in Professional Nursing	(4)
NURS 306	Health Assessment for Nursing Practice	(2)
NURS 308	Alterations in Biological Systems	(3)
NURS 312	Nursing Research and	
	Evidence-Based Practice	(3)
NURS 408	Genetics and Human Genomics for Nurses	(1)
NURS 419	Population-Focused Nursing	(3)
NURS 425	Nursing Informatics	(1)
NURS 432	Processes for Nursing Leadership	(3)
NURS 435	Gerontological Nursing	(2)
NURS 488	Nursing, Ethics and the Law	(3)
NURS 463	Practicum in Leadership and	
	Population-Focused Nursing	(3)

Sixty-one total semester hours of NIU nursing credit awarded – 28 hours NIU required nursing coursework plus 33 hours of NIU proficiency credit.

Academics

- Must maintain at least a 2.75 cumulative GPA
- Must earn a minimum grade of C in each course required in the nursing major and all nursing prerequisite courses.



Northern Illinois University Secure accelerated career growth with your Bachelor of Science in Nursing. In 2017, 86 percent of employers stated a preference for nurses with a bachelor's degree, and nearly 50 percent required it.* With your B.S. in Nursing, you'll graduate prepared to take advantage of these opportunities. Through just 11 courses, you'll gain the advanced skills to earn this valuable credential.

- 100 percent online.
- Starts every eight weeks.
- A program that fits your schedule.

*American Association of Colleges of Nursing. (2017, December). *Employment of New Nurse Graduates and Employer Preferences for Baccalaureate-Prepared Nurses* (Rep.).