East Carolina University®
College of Nursing
RN to BSN Program

Affordable. Accessible. Flexible.

Our RN to BSN program offers a curriculum that is Affordable with a competitive distance education rate for tuition; Accessible with all courses offered in an online format; and Flexible as designed by and for the working nurse.

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"The location and not having to do so many more perquisites were the main reasons. For choosing ECU’s program. The instructors were engaging and made the experience rewarding. They just have an awesome program. That’s just the reputation that ECU has. The hardest thing is deciding to do it. You can have many things that you think you want to do, but when you make up your mind and are determined that ‘This is what I’m going to do,’ that’s when you’ll be successful.”
- Beatrice White – Class of Fall 2016

“The RIBN/RNBSN program at ECU is a “one of a kind” experience in that it allows you to be part of two different nursing programs that are dedicated to helping you succeed. In addition to being an affordable option, the program’s staff definitely goes out of their way to help you. All of the classes are scheduled for you, so there is no added stress or worry about enrollment. I would highly recommend ECU RIBN/RNBSN program to anyone who is interested in becoming a nurse.”
- Caleb Woolard – Class of Spring 2016

“The main reason I waited twenty years to go back to college after graduating with my ADN was my fear of the unknowns. Can I afford it? Can I work full time and keep up with my assignments? Can I continue spending quality time with my family? The answer to all 3 questions is a resounding YES! The curriculum and Faculty in the ECU College of Nursing RN to BSN option recognize their students as working professionals and want you to succeed. The only question I have left is, “Why did I wait so long?”
- Lori Willford - Class of Spring 2019
Our four-semester RN/BSN option was designed with you in mind. We’ve created a flexible curriculum and cut the red tape to enable working nurses to continue their education. All courses are conducted online and placement exams are not required.

Other reasons to pursue your RN/BSN at the East Carolina University College of Nursing:

• Our dedicated faculty live and work in eastern North Carolina, meaning you get an education that prepares you for the unique health care needs of our region.

• Nursing education is our passion, and we’re nationally recognized for it. The East Carolina University College of Nursing is one of just 35 schools honored with National League for Nursing’s Center of excellence award for outstanding achievements in student learning.

• The curriculum is based on student feedback and is designed to meet the requirements of our accrediting body, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

• All student, whether they’re online or campus-based learners, become part of our community. You get access to resources designed to ensure your success—services like academic counseling and faculty mentoring and support from our exceptional IT department—as well as the lifelong opportunity to be a part of the Pirate Nurse family.

How Do I Get Started?

Taking the first step to begin your academic journey is as easy as 1-2-3!

1. Request an unofficial transcript review. Taking that first step to begin your academic journey is easy! The ECU College of Nursing offers assistance to prospective students by completing an unofficial review of a complete set of transcripts. ECU Admissions then completes the official transfer evaluation and awards transfer credit when you apply for admission to ECU. To obtain information and request form on how to obtain an unofficial transcript review go to http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/nursing/students_transcript.cfm.

2. Complete prerequisites. Any prerequisites that may be needed may be taken at ECU or a regionally accredited community college.

3. As you are completing the last of any prerequisite courses that may be needed submit your application to ECU Office of Undergraduate Admissions (http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/admissions/applicfim) and the College of Nursing (http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/nursing/customcf/downloads/rnbsn/RNBSN_app.pdf).

What are the Admission Requirements?

All students enroll at East Carolina University with an intended major of nursing. Upon admission to the RN to BSN option, students may declare their major as nursing.

Registered nurses are admitted upon completion of specified general education and science prerequisites.

Admission to the RN to BSN option requires that the following university and College of Nursing requirements be met:

• Associate degree or diploma in nursing from an accredited educational institution

• Current, unrestricted license to practice as a registered nurse in North Carolina or in an NCSBON-compact state (international applicants must validate their credentials with the Commission of Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools before applying for RN licensure). Students must reside in and, if employed, practice in a North Carolina or an NCSBON-compact state while enrolled in the program.

• Minimum requirements as specified in the current undergraduate catalog

• Minimum overall grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale

• Grade of “C” or higher in all mathematics and science courses

• Satisfactory completion of prerequisite general education and cognate courses

• Criminal background checks and drug screenings are required prior to enrolling in nursing courses.