R.N. to B.S.N. Completion Option
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
PROGRAM FOR REGISTERED NURSES

INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

General Information:

New Mexico State University School of Nursing RN-BSN Completion Option is designed for registered nurses (RNs) from diverse educational and multicultural backgrounds and with very busy work and home schedules. The program offers all nursing courses online. RNs earn a baccalaureate degree in an environment that will promote personal satisfaction and lifelong learning through challenging experiences.

Once admitted, students will be required to meet all NMSU requirements for graduation, including general education requirements. All prerequisite and requisite course work taken at other institutions will be evaluated by the Registrar's office and transfer credit granted appropriately. Nursing course work taken at other institutions will be evaluated on an individual basis by the School of Nursing and granted appropriate lower-division credit, to a maximum of 41 credits.

The option allows RNs to receive credit for past academic and nursing course work and to practice in varied health-care settings. The nursing curriculum is designed to be completed in one year of full-time study after completion of general education requirements. New Mexico State University requires 128 credits for graduation with a bachelor's degree, 48 of which must be upper division.

For more information on the School of Nursing RN-BSN Completion Option, you can visit us online at: http://schoolofnursing.nmsu.edu/ or contact Karen Pech, Adviser for RN-BSN, at 575-646-7770, or email us at nursing@nmsu.edu.
Requirements for Admission to the School of Nursing:

- A minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for prerequisite courses and prior nursing course work.
- Completed prerequisite course work.
- Provided evidence of current R.N. licensure.
- Regular-status admission to the university.

Additional Requirements:

- Apply during Fall or Spring semester for Summer admission
- Complete all nursing course assignments online
- Preceptored clinicals in your area
- Attend mandatory 2-3 day onsite orientation
- Have access to a computer and internet service

Admission Deadline:

Completion of Application Process:

1. Apply and be admitted to New Mexico State University (NMSU). Students entering the RN-BSN Option from other NMSU campuses will need to change their registration to Main Campus.
2. Apply to the School of Nursing RN-BSN Option. Submit the Application For Admission (included at back of this packet) to:
   Karen Pech
   RN-BSN Option Advisor
   School of Nursing, M.S.C. 3185
   New Mexico State University
   P. O. Box 30001
   Las Cruces, New Mexico 88003
3. Along with your application, you will need to submit an official transcript to Karen Pech at the same address listed above. In addition, you must also submit your official transcript to the Admissions Office at:
   Office of Admissions, M.S.C. 3A
   New Mexico State University
   P. O. Box 30001
   Las Cruces, NM 88003-8001

PLEASE NOTE:
It is important that prospective or current students be admitted, advised and register as early as possible so that they can complete prerequisite as well as other courses. The nursing course sequence starts in the summer semester each year following the completion of Prerequisites, General Education courses and other requirements.

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING COMPLETION
OPTION FOR REGISTERED NURSES
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Date of Application:__________________  Banner ID#____________________

Semester Applying for:  Summer 20____

Name:_____________________________________________________________________________  Last  First  Middle  Maiden

Address:___________________________________________________________________________  Number & Street  City  State  Zip

Telephone: Hm: ____________________ Cell: ____________________ Wk: ____________________

Date of Birth:__________________________  E-mail:___________________________________

RN License #:_________________________  State:__________  Expires:________________

List work experiences in the last five years beginning with your present employment.

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Please check the following information as it will be used for departmental demographic data only:

Ethnicity:  □ African American  □ Asian American  □ Hispanic  □ Native American
           □ White, Non Hispanic  □ Other/Unknown

Citizenship: ________________  Permanent Resident Alien:  □ Yes  □ No

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# NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY
## SCHOOL OF NURSING
### RN-BSN OPTION CURRICULUM

**NURSING AND NM COMMON CORE COURSES REQUIRED FOR BSN:**

- Math Basic Competency must be attained.*
  - Communications (I.a.) 4 cr. *
  - ENGL 318G Advanced Tech. Comm. (Communications I.b.) 3 cr. *
  - MATH121 College Level Algebra 3 cr. *
  - BIOL 254 Human Physiology or A & P 2 3 cr. +
  - BIOL 253w/lab Human Anatomy or A & P 1 3 cr. +
  - BIOL 219 Principles of Public Health Microbiology 3 cr. +
  - BIOL311L General Microbiology Lab 1 cr. +
  - ________ Lab/Science (II) 8 cr. *
  - ________ Social/BS (IV) or Hum/Fine Arts (V) 3 cr. *
  - ________ Humanities/Fine Arts (V) 6 cr. *
  - ________ Social/BS (IV) 6 cr. *
  - HNFS 251 Human Nutrition 3 cr. +
  - ________ Communications (I.c.) 3 cr. *
  - EST 311G Statistical Applications 3 cr. +
  - ________ Viewing a Wider World 6 cr. *
  - ________ Upper Division Elective (if needed) 3 cr.

*Indicates NM General Education Common Core
+Indicates RN-BSN Program Requirement

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### *RN-BSN Program Course Sequence:*

- NURS 314 Computer Technology for Nursing 3 cr.
- NURS 352 Bioterrorism 3 cr.
- NURS 315 Introduction to Professional Nursing for the RN 3 cr.
- NURS 322 Nursing Health Assessment for the RN 3 cr.
- NURS 325 Human Pathophysiology for Nursing 3 cr.
- NURS 420 Community Health Nursing 3 cr.
- NURS 426 Community Health Nursing: Clinical 3 cr.
- NURS 475 Issues and Trends in Professional Nursing 3 cr.
- NURS 324 Nursing Care of the Older Adult 3 cr.
- NURS 376 Introduction to Nursing Research 3 cr.
- NURS 353 Nursing Informatics 3 cr.
- NURS 477 Nursing Organization and Management 3 cr.
- NURS 476 Nursing Organization and Mngmt: Clinical 3 cr.

*All nursing courses are 100% online plus a mandatory 2-3 day on-site orientation.

A minimum of 128 credits are required for graduation (includes 48 upper division credits)
Courses with suffix of “N” do not count toward graduation credit requirements.
Effective 1993-94: A grade of "C" or better is required for all courses in the curriculum.

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University/Statewide Common Core (35 cr)
Courses listed below will meet NMSU requirements. Courses are guaranteed to transfer to other New Mexico Schools as part of the New Mexico Schools as part of the New Mexico Common Core.

I – COMMUNICATIONS (9-10 cr)
   a. College Level English Composition (3-4)
      Engl 111G, Engl 111H, or Spcd 111G
   b. College Level Writing (3)
      Engl 203G, 211G, 218G, 311G or 318G
   c. Public Speaking (3)
      Axed 201G, Comm 253G, Comm 265G, Hon 265G

II – MATHEMATICS (3 cr)
E ST 251/Stat 251, Stat 271
Hon 210G, or Hon/Math 275G

III – LABORATORY SCIENCE (8 cr)
Anth 130G/130L  Astr 105G, 110G
Agro/Hort 100G
Biol 101G/L, 110/L, 111G/L, 211G/L, Hon 205G
Chem 110G/, 111/L, 112/L
ES 110G, Geog 111G, Geol 111G, 212, Hon 219G
HNFS 263G
Phys 110G, 120, 211/L, 212/L, 215/L, 216/L, 221/211L, 222/212L

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IV – SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (6-9 cr)
AGE/HNFS 210G
Geog 112G, 120G
HLS 150, SWK 221G
Ling 200G
Psy 201G, Hon 203G, 232G
Soc 101G, 201G, Hon 233G
W S 201G, 202G

V – HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS (6-9 cr)
Danc 101G, Engl 1115G, 1116G, 220G, 244G
Hon 221G, 222G, 241G, 242G
Mus 101G, 201G, Hon 208G
Hon 225G, 226G, 227G, 228G
Thtr 101G, Hon 270G

RN-BSN  Option Course Sequence (48 cr)

Admission Requirements:
1. Evidence of current RN License from U.S.
2. Minimum GPA of 2.5
3. Regular status admission to the University
4. Inferential Statistics Class Co-requisite for NURS 376
5. Required lower/upper division credits satisfied

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SUMMER I _____ (6 cr)
Nurs 314 Computer Tech 3 cr
Nurs 352 Bioterrorism 3 cr

SUMMER II _____ (6 cr)
VWW* _____________ 3 cr
VWW* _____________ 3 cr

FALL _____ (18 cr)
Nurs 315 Professional 3 cr
Nurs 322 Assessment 3 cr
Nurs 325 Pathophysiology 3 cr
Nurs 420 Community 3 cr
Nurs 426 Comm. Clinical 3 cr
Upper-Div Elective/Status** 3 cr

SPRING _____ (18 cr)
Nurs 324 Older Adult 3 cr
Nurs 376 Research 3 cr
Nurs 353 Informatics 3 cr
Nurs 477 Management 3 cr
Nurs 476 Mgmt Clinical 3 cr
Nurs 475 Issues/Trends 3 cr

*Viewing a Wider World (6 cr)
**NMSU Upper Division Graduation Requirement (min. 48 cr)