Industry Facts

Quality patient care hinges on having a well-educated nursing workforce. Research has shown that lower mortality rates, fewer medication errors, and positive outcomes are all linked to nurses prepared at the baccalaureate and graduate degree levels.

The National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice (NACNEP), policy advisors to Congress and the U.S. Secretary for Health and Human Services on nursing issues, has urged that at least two-thirds of the nurse workforce hold baccalaureate or higher degrees in nursing by 2010. Currently, only 40 percent of nurses hold degrees at the baccalaureate level and above.

In March 2005, the American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE) released a statement calling for all registered nurses to be educated in baccalaureate programs in an effort to adequately prepare clinicians for their challenging and complex roles.

Program Overview

The RN to BSN program allows licensed registered nurses to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Doane recognizes that your academic, clinical, and professional experiences in the health care profession constitute a foundation upon which to build a degree program in the liberal arts tradition. Completion of degree requirements involves courses in nursing and the liberal arts that will continue the development of skills for critical thinking, problem solving, conflict resolution, and team building and develop a knowledge base for leadership in the profession.

Admission Requirements

The following are required for admission to the BSN degree program:

- A copy of an unencumbered current Nebraska Registered Nursing license, a compact state registered nursing license, or a temporary permit issued by the Nebraska Health and Human Services Regulations Licensure Division
- A completed Application for Admission form
- An official transcript from the school of nursing and each college or university attended.

Doane College will evaluate all courses submitted by the transfer applicant and reserves the right to accept or deny any of the credits offered for transfer. Credit hours earned with grades of "C-" or better at an accredited institution of higher education prior to admission to Doane College may be transferred.

About the Grand Island / Lincoln Campuses

At Doane College, you will join an institution where exceptional faculty, staff, students and alumni challenge themselves to achieve success and provide the best education for all students. The Doane College Grand Island and Lincoln campuses are geared toward working adults, focusing on applied learning and practical experience that you can utilize in your work setting.

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If you are up for the challenge and would like to learn more, contact us at either location.

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Course Requirements (67 credits)

- One (1) History 3
- One (1) Literature 3
- One (1) Political Science 3
- One (1) Aesthetic/Fine Arts 3
- BIO 219 Pathophysiology 3
- BIO 309 Your Body, Your Health, Your Choices 3
- CMS 220 Interpersonal Communication 3
- ECO 203 Macroeconomics and Literacy 3
- ECO 329 Health Care Economics 3
- MTH 107 Problem Solving 3
- NRS 215 Applied Statistics for Nursing 3
- NRS 220 Cultural Aspects of Health and Illness 3
- NRS 305 Personal/Professional Development I 1
- NRS 306 Personal/Professional Development II 1
- NRS 307 Personal/Professional Development III 1
- NRS 310 Research in Nursing 3
- NRS 315 Health Care Policy in the United States 3
- NRS 320 Community Health 3
- NRS 325 Nursing in a Global Community 3
- NRS 330 Health Care Information Systems 3
- NRS 410 Critical Issues in Professional Nursing 3
- NRS 416 Leadership in Professional Practice II 3
- NRS 420 Legal and Ethical Issues in Nursing Practice 3
- PSY 365 Psychology of Personality 3
- CSA 101 Word Processing 1
- CSA 109 Informational Retrieval Skills 1

Co-requisite Course Requirements

Completion of the following nursing co-requisites is required (If not completed prior to admission, these courses are included in the Doane College RN to BSN course requirements.)

- English Composition
- General Chemistry
- Human Anatomy
- Introductory Psychology
- Human Physiology
- Nutrition
- Microbiology