Undergraduate Nursing

Mission: Preparing students to professionally provide high quality, ethical and compassionate health care services.
You've discovered your calling. Let's bring it to life.
The Clarkson College Nursing programs are committed to guiding students as they develop into the compassionate, skilled nurses today’s health care environment needs.

We believe learning is an on-going experience filled with challenge, exploration and innovation. Our Nursing programs offer various hands-on learning opportunities and the most up-to-date course material so you can feel prepared when you enter the field.

Whether part- or full-time, online or on-campus, your academic success is our priority. While educating you about the concepts you need for growth, we also maintain small class sizes across all of our programs to ensure you receive a personable, interactive and supportive academic experience both inside and outside of the classroom.

If you are ready to pursue an education in nursing, Clarkson College invites you to take your next step and join us. Together, we can prepare you to be the best in the field and present you with some remarkable experiences along the way.
How we prepare the best.

At Clarkson College, we provide the education, resources and experiences that allow you to both prepare for and be the best in health care.

› Established more than 125 years ago.
› National Board Examination pass rates consistently above the state and national averages.
› Early hands-on experience in on-campus labs and at local clinical sites.
› Access to clinical facilities at our educational partner Nebraska Medicine, one of the largest and most respected medical campuses in the region.
› Small class sizes and faculty vested in your academic success.
› Simulation center complete with high-fidelity infant, adult and birthing mannequins to provide students with realistic experiences in a controlled setting.
ABOUT US:

- **Established in 1888**—first college of Nursing in Omaha, Neb.
- **Six core disciplines**—Nursing, Health Care Business, Health Care Services, Physical Therapist Assistant, Radiologic Technology and Medical Imaging
- **Quality education**—accredited with the Higher Learning Commission North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
- **Prepared graduates**—certification exam pass rates well above state and national averages
- **Valuable training**—early hands-on learning experiences on and off campus
- **Small class sizes**—average student to faculty ratio of 13:1
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program is the most sought-after degree at Clarkson College. Students learn new and challenging concepts designed to develop critical thinking skills and teach fundamental nursing responsibilities. In the program, you’ll learn to manage a wide variety of patient scenarios in our on-campus skills lab and state-of-the-art simulation labs. This hands-on experience will prepare you to work with real-life patients during your clinical rotations and preceptorship.

The BSN program typically takes first-time college students four years to complete. If you have some college experience and applicable transfer credits, you could earn your degree in as little as seven semesters. Full- and part-time study tracks are available, summer study is optional and several courses are offered online.

**DEADLINES:**

- Fall semester start: November 30
- Spring semester start: October 1
- Summer semester start: January 15

Applications received after the deadline are considered on a rolling basis as space becomes available. Contact Admissions for additional details.
# Bachelor of Science in Nursing Full-Time Sample Degree Plan

The following degree plan provides an overview of the classes required for program completion. Students will work with their advisor to create a customized plan. Information is based on the 2017-18 academic year and is subject to change. Up-to-date catalog information and transfer/articulation agreements are found at ClarksonCollege.edu.

## Health Care Core Courses
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### Transfer credits
Courses must be a “C-” or higher and the correct number of credit hours from an accredited institution. Science courses must be within five years, and there is no time stipulation on other courses. A valid CNA license is required to begin the program.

### First Semester Hours
- **BI 211** Anatomy 4  
- **CH 110** General Chemistry 4  
- **EN 101** English Composition I 3  
- **MA 101** Introduction to Algebra 3  
  - Health Care Core Course 3

### Second Semester Hours
- **BI 210** Microbiology 4  
- **BI 213** Physiology 4  
- **NS 115** Introduction to Concepts through Quality and Safety 2  
- **NS 125** Foundational Skills and Assessment: Theory 3  
- **NS 126** Foundational Skills and Assessment: Clinical 2  
- **NS 128** Population Health I 1

### Third Semester Hours
- **BI 122** Nutrition Science 3  
- **BI 227** Pathophysiology 3  
- **NS 233** Assessment and Care of the Adult with Abnormal Findings: Theory 2  
- **NS 234** Assessment and Care of the Adult with Abnormal Findings: Clinical 2  
- **NS 235** Pharmacology I 2  
- **NS 257** Population Health II 1  
  - Health Care Core Course 3

### Fourth Semester Hours
- **PY 101** Introduction to Psychology 3  
- **NS 254** Managing the Nursing Care of the Adult: Theory 4  
- **NS 255** Managing the Nursing Care of the Adult: Clinical 4  
- **NS 256** Pharmacology II 2  
- **PY 200** Human Development 3  
- **EN 102** English Composition II 3

### Fifth Semester Hours
- **HC 220** Gerontology 2  
- **NS 340** Behavioral Health: Theory 3  
- **NS 341** Behavioral Health: Clinical 3  
- **ST 310** Statistics 3  
  - Elective 3  
  - Health Care Core Course 3

### Sixth Semester Hours
- **NS 342** Nursing Care of Women and Child-Bearing Families: Theory 3  
- **NS 343** Nursing Care of Women and Child-Bearing Families: Clinical 2  
- **NS 344** Family-Centered Nursing Care of Children: Theory 3  
- **NS 345** Family-Centered Nursing Care of Children: Clinical 2  
- **NS 346** Evidence-Based Inquiry in Health Care 2  
- **NS 347** Population Health III 1  
- **SO 101** Introduction to Sociology 3

### Seventh Semester Hours
- **NS 468** Concepts of Complex Multisystem Clients I: Theory 4  
- **NS 469** Concepts of Complex Multisystem Clients I: Clinical 4  
- **NS 476** Population Health IV: Theory 2  
- **NS 477** Population Health IV: Clinical 2  
  - Elective 3

### Eighth Semester Hours
- **NS 467** Transition into Practice 1  
- **NS 470** Concepts of Complex Multisystem Clients II: Theory 3  
- **NS 472** Principles of Nursing Leadership and Management: Theory 3  
- **NS 473** Preceptorship: Clinical Capstone 4  
- **NS 474** Pharmacology III 1  
  - Elective 2

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**QUESTIONS? JOT THEM DOWN.**
Clarkson College offers a special sequence for the licensed practical nurse (LPN). Your prior coursework from other accredited institutions will be considered as you look to advance your education with us.

In the LPN to BSN program, we work on building your skills and experience as a licensed practical nurse to transition you into a registered nurse role. You can complete your degree on a part- or full-time basis with select courses available online and on campus. Students with applicable transfer credit hours from other regionally accredited colleges and universities can complete the program in as few as six semesters.

Licensed Practical Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing

DEADLINES:

Fall semester start: August 1
Spring semester start: December 1
Summer semester start: April 1

Applications are reviewed in the order they are received. In order to be considered for admission, all application materials must be submitted by the listed deadline dates.
**Licensed Practical Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Course Listing**

The following course listing provides an overview of the classes required for program completion. Students will work with their advisor to create a customized plan.

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**Transfer credits:** Courses must be a “C-” or higher and the correct number of credit hours from an accredited institution. A valid LPN license is required to begin the program.
As a registered nurse (RN), you dedicate yourself to focusing on your patient’s progress. At Clarkson College, we’re dedicated to focusing on yours. If you’re ready to enhance your nursing skills and advance the career opportunities available to you, consider a Bachelor’s degree in Nursing.

The RN to BSN option is an online, interactive experience that can be completed on a full- or part-time basis. With faculty approval, hands-on practicum hours may be completed at your current workplace or at facility in your area that meets the required practicum competencies. Students with applicable transfer credit hours from regionally accredited colleges and universities can complete the program in as few as three semesters.

Clarkson College also offers an online RN to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) option that allows you to simultaneously work toward your BSN and MSN degrees.

**DEADLINES:**

Rolling admission. Students may begin this program in the fall, spring or summer semester.

Applications are reviewed in the order they are submitted.
Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing Course Listing

The following course listing provides an overview of the classes required for program completion. Students will work with their advisor to create a customized plan.

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Transfer credits: Courses must be a “C-” or higher and the correct number of credit hours from an accredited institution. A valid RN license is required to begin the program.

Note: Certain credit earned from Bachelor’s degree-level courses apply to our online RN to MSN degree program.

General Education Courses

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Support Courses

The following science courses are required to earn a BSN degree. Transfer credits are accepted for these courses; however, you may also complete them online at Clarkson College once enrolled in the RN to BSN program.

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<td>Health Care Science Update III (Microbiology and Chemistry)</td>
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Health Care Core Courses

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Major Courses

A direct transfer package of 43 semester hours of nursing courses will be granted to students. Other courses may be transferred or challenged according to individual course policies.

Required BSN Courses

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The Clarkson College Registered Nurse (RN) to Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) option is for registered nurses who hold a diploma or an Associate’s degree in Nursing and are seeking educational and career advancement. This online program offers maximum flexibility with start dates available every semester. Conveniently, you are able to complete your practicum requirements in your area of residence.

After successful completion of all undergraduate-level courses, Clarkson College will confer your BSN degree, so you can begin seeking new career opportunities as a bachelor’s-degree prepared nurse. At this point in the program, you will continue to complete the remaining course requirements needed to earn your MSN degree.

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Registered Nurse to Master of Science in Nursing Course Listing

Students will complete the RN to BSN program coursework while working on the graduate-level coursework below to simultaneously complete a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Nursing.

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Students will choose one of the specialty area options below to complete the master’s degree.

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Are you prepared to be the best?

We’ve told you a little bit about us. Now, we hope to learn a lot more about you.
Application Process

- Complete and submit your application online at ClarksonCollege.edu.
- Submit your $35 application fee online, over the phone or by a mailed check or money order made payable to Clarkson College.
- Submit official high school transcripts or GED.
- Submit a Technical Standard Requirements form for Undergraduate Nursing students.
- Request official college transcripts from each college/university previously attended. Transcripts must be sent directly from each institution to Clarkson College.
- Submit ACT scores (unless high school graduation date exceeds two years).
- Submit proof of English proficiency, meeting one of the following:
  - Graduation from an accredited U.S. high school
  - Bachelor’s or higher-level degree from a U.S. accredited college or university
  - ACT English score of 20 or higher
  - Official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score. A minimum of 100 total score on the TOEFL iBT, and a minimum of 250 total score computer-based is required
  - U.S. General Educational Development (GED) Certificate with an English score of 500 or equivalent
- Complete program-specific requirements listed below.

**BSN option**

- Active status on a Nurse Aide registry must be completed by the first day of classes.
- Submit all application forms from the BSN admission packet found online at ClarksonCollege.edu/BSNpacket.

**LPN to BSN & RN to BSN options**

- Copy of current unencumbered nursing licensure.
- Address the following points and email your essay to admissions@clarksoncollege.edu:
  - Why you will be successful as a health care provider in your prospective field of study
  - Why you wish to attend Clarkson College
  - Describe what professionalism means to you and why it is important to your role as a health care professional

**RN to MSN option**

- Copy of current unencumbered nursing licensure.
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