Troy University
College of Health & Human Services
School of Nursing

RN - BSN/MSN

Online Educational Mobility Track

Two Semester
or
Four Semester
Program of Studies

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Troy University offers an excellent online RN - BSN/MSN track for RN students with faculty and advisors on four campuses - Montgomery, Troy, Phenix City, and Dothan, Alabama. This track is designed for the student who is a registered nurse and a graduate of an accredited Associate Degree in Nursing program or an accredited Diploma in Nursing Program.

The RN to BSN/MSN track features:

1. Online coursework and personalized clinical projects allowing maximum flexibility in managing work, family, and educational responsibilities
2. Two semester or four semester BSN clinical nursing sequence
3. Students can complete the clinical nursing sequence for the BSN degree in 2 semesters and complete the MSN Clinical Specialist or Nursing Informatics Specialist in 4 additional semesters or complete the Family Nurse Practitioner in 5 additional semesters
4. Highly qualified and caring faculty who are experienced with online teaching
5. Advanced coursework in:
    - Clinical Nutrition
    - Health Assessment
    - Public Health Nursing
    - Leadership/Management
    - Advanced Nursing
    - Research and Evidence in Nursing Practice
    - Informatics in Nursing
6. Opportunity to take a graduate nursing course while finishing requirements for BSN degree.
7. Excellent Graduation rate of 90 % or higher
8. Progression into Graduate Nursing Programs: 50 % or more go on to Graduate Nursing Programs.
9. Advancement of evidence based clinical decisions and APA writing skills

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334.983.6556 ext. 1229

RN-BSN/MSN

General Studies Requirements

*ENG 1101, Composition and Modern English I (3)
*ENG 1102, Composition and Modern English II (3)
ENG, Literature course (3)
(World Literature recommended)

*BIO 3347, Human Anatomy & Physiology I (3)
*BIO L347, Human Anatomy & Physiology I Lab (1)
*BIO 3348, Human Anatomy & Physiology II (3)
*BIO L348, Human Anatomy & Physiology II Lab (1)
*BIO 3372, Microbiology (3)
*BIO L372, Microbiology Lab (1)
*CHM 1142, General Chemistry I (3)
*CHM L142, General Chemistry I Lab (1)

*IS 2241, Computer Concepts and Applications (3)#
*COM 2241, Fundamentals of Speech (3)#
ART/MUS/DRA, Fine Arts Requirement (2)#
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*PHI 2204 Ethics and the Modern World (3)
*MTH 1112, Pre-calculus Algebra (3)#
*PSY 3301, Basic Statistics (3)
TROY 1101, University Orientation (1)#

*NSG 2204, Nutrition (2)#
*NSG 3315, Pathophysiology (3)
(usually taken in Spring semester in the clinical nursing sequence)
HIS , History Course (3) (Series of 2 courses required)
HIS , History Course (3)

*PSY 2210, Lifespan Developmental Psychology (3)
OR *NSG 2205, Growth & Development/Lifespan (3)

*PSY 2200, General Psychology (3)
OR *SOC 2275, Sociology (3)
OR *ANT 2200 Anthropology (3)
Total General Studies (62)
*A grade of "C" or higher is required.

Note: A minimum of 6 hours of general studies courses must be global/international in scope.

Note: # For course substitutions/transfer credit see academic nursing advisor or Director of Admissions and Records.

Note: Opportunity for Challenge and/or CLEP of several general studies courses. See Director of Admission & Records.

Clinical Nursing Sequence

BSN

NSG 3370 Professional Nursing (2)**
NSG 3309 Health Assessment (2) **
NSG 3310 Health Assessment Practicum (1)**
NSG 3315 Pathophysiology (3)
NSG 3319 Informatics in Nursing (2)**
NSG 4405 Public Health Nursing (3)**
NSG 4406 Public Health Nursing Practicum (2)**
NSG 4407 Clinical Nutrition (1)
NSG 4430 Advanced Nursing Theory (3)
NSG 4431 Advanced Nursing Preceptorship (2)
NSG 6691 Research Methodology (3)***

** Students will receive 42 semester hours of credit after successful completion (grade of "C" or better) of all these courses.

*** NSG 6691 Research Methodology is recommended for students who plan to progress to the MSN sequence. However, the student who does not intend to pursue the MSN sequence or elects to delay NSG 6691 may substitute NSG 4419 Research and Evidence in Nursing Practice (2) to meet BSN graduation requirements.

All Nursing courses must be completed at Troy University. Substitutions will not be allowed.

MSN

See Semester Planner on back of brochure.

Troy University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1865 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 404.679.4501).

Troy University School of Nursing BSN Program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta GA, 30326; 1.404.975.5000) and approved by the Alabama Board of Nursing (660 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, AL 334.242.4060).

Troy University does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, national origin, religion or handicap in their admissions, education, employment or access of its programs. The University fully complies with the following: Civil Rights Act of 1964 and its amendments; Federal Executive Order 11246; Educational Amendments of 1972 and 1974; the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustments Assistance Act of 1972; Age Discrimination Act

RN to BSN/MSN Application Procedures

Step 1: Admission to the RN-BSN/MSN Track

- Submit Application for Admission to Undergraduate Study with a $30.00 university application fee.

  - To submit an Application for Admission to Undergraduate Studies, please go to www.troy.edu and select future students. On the admissions page you can create a personalized profile, submit an application, and check the status of your documents. On page 2 of the Undergraduate Application you will be prompted to choose a location. There you will choose "Online Nursing RN-BSN" as your location and "Nursing RN-BSN" as your intended Academic Major.

Supplemental Paper Work and Requirements

- Submit Step 1 Application for Admission to RN - BSN/MSN Track/School of Nursing
- Official transcripts from all colleges attended must be submitted directly from the institution of attendance.
- Submit two letters of professional reference on required forms.
- Overall GPA for all college work attempted of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- ASN or Diploma graduate of an accredited nursing program.
- Proof of current, unencumbered RN license in state of clinical practice.
- Ability to perform core performance standards required for the nursing profession for admission and progression.
- All required documentation listed above must be on file in the Office of Admissions and Records no later than February 1, April 1, July 1, September 1, or November 1. It is the student's responsibility to verify that all documentation is on file with the Office of Admissions and Records. Incomplete files will not be evaluated by the School of Nursing for admission.
- Students will be notified of admission status by March 1, May 15, July 25, October 1 or December 10.
- A $20 nursing program fee will be required upon application.

Distance Education Students Residing outside of Alabama:
Each of the states has its own approval processes for out-of-state institutions offering distance education. While Troy University endeavors to offer all of its programs to as wide an audience as possible, all TROY distance education programs may not be available in all states.

Step 2: Request for Progression to the Clinical Nursing Sequence

- Submit Step 2 Request for Progression to the Clinical Nursing Sequence Form to academic advisor by April 1 (priority admission) or July 1. Progression criteria requirements include the following:
  - General Studies requirements with a grade of 'C' or better in specified courses [Courses marked * on page 2 require a 'C' of better.]
  - Official Academic Evaluation with overall cumulative GPA for all college work attempted of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
  - Students may have a maximum of 9 hours of general studies that are lacking prior to beginning the clinical nursing sequence. These 9 hours are limited to the following courses: Literature, Art/Music/Drama, Speech, TROY 1101, History, and Ethics. Note: All general studies course requirements must be completed prior to entering the following courses: NSG 4430, NSG 4431, NSG 6691. Note: students may take NSG 3315 Pathophysiology with NSG 4407, NSG 4430, NSG 4431, NSG 6691.
  - Proof of current, unencumbered RN license in state of clinical practice.
  - *Progression is pending until a clear certified background check is verified.*
- All required documentation listed above for the Request for Progression to the Clinical Nursing Sequence must be on file in the Academic Advisors Office no later than July 1. It is the student's responsibility to verify that all documentation is on file in the Academic Advisor's Office. **NOTE: The Clinical Nursing Sequence begins once a year in Fall Semester.**

Step 3: Progression to MSN Program

- Successful completion of all BSN degree requirements and awarded BSN degree.
- Application to Graduate Study and $50 application fee.
- Acceptable MAT or GRE score (see Graduate Bulletin under School of Nursing).
- Overall GPA for all college work attempted of 2.5 on 4.0 scale (see Graduate Bulletin under School of Nursing).
- Minimum of one year clinical experience as a Registered Nurse (FNP program only).
- It is the student's responsibility to verify that all required documentation for admission to the MSN program has been received by the Office of Admissions and Records.
- Please note that RN-BSN students who apply are not guaranteed admission to the MSN program.

RN to BSN/MSN Semester Planner

BSN Two Semester Program of Studies for BSN

Semester 1: Fall

NSG 3370 Professional Nursing (2)

NSG 3309 Health Assessment (2)

NSG 3310 Health Assessment Practicum (1)

NSG 3319 Informatics in Nursing (2)

NSG 4405 Public Health Nursing (3)

NSG 4406 Public Health Nursing Practicum (2)

TOTAL-12

Semester 2: Spring

NSG 3315 Pathophysiology (3)

NSG 4407 Clinical Nutrition (1)

NSG 4430 Advanced Nursing Theory (3)

NSG 4431 Advanced Nursing Preceptorship (2)

*NSG 6691 Research Methodology (3)

Total– 12

Awarded BSN after successful completion of all general studies course requirements and all nursing courses in Semesters 1 and 2.

*Students who want to delay taking NSG 6691 may substitute NSG 4419 Research and Evidence in Nursing Practice (2) for NSG 6691 to complete the BSN degree.

MSN

Clinical Specialist Track

Semester 3

NSG 6604 Theories in Nursing (2)

NSG 6612 Advanced Health Assessment (3)

NSG 6618 CNS Advanced Health Assessment Preceptorship (1)

NSG 6671 Advanced Pathophysiology (3)

NSG 6692 Data Analysis Techniques in Research (2) / Total-11

Semester 4

*NSG 6691 Research Methodology (3)

NSG 6660 Foundations of Advanced Practice (2)

NSG 6622 Advanced Long-Term Nursing Care of Adults (2)

NSG 6623 Advanced Long-Term Nursing Care of Adults Preceptorship (3) / Total-10

* Not needed if taken in semester 2

Semester 5

NSG 6649 Advanced Pharmacology (3)

NSG 6605 Health Care Economics (2)

NSG 6620 Advanced Acute Care Nursing of Adults(2)

NSG 6621 Advanced Acute Care Nursing of Adults Preceptorship (3)

NSG 6696 Scholarly Inquiry Practicum I (1) / Total –11

Semester 6

NSG 66__ Role Theory (2)

NSG 66__ Role Internship (3)

NSG 6655 Synthesis & Evaluation of Advanced Nursing Practice (1)

NSG 6697 Scholarly Inquiry Practicum II (1) / Total 7

Nursing Informatics Specialist Track

Semester 3

NSG 6604 Theories in Nursing (2)

NSG 6631 Concepts of Health Care Informatics (3)

NSG 6632 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Informatics (2)

NSG 6692 Data Analysis Techniques in Research (2) / Total-9

Semester 4

*NSG 6691 Research Methodology (3)

NSG 6660 Foundations of Advanced Practice (2)

NSG 6633 Health Care Information Systems (3)/ Total-8

* Not needed if taken in semester 2

Semester 5

NSG 6605 Health Care Economics (2)

NSG 6635 Informatics Applications (3)

5000/6000 Approved Elective (3)

NSG 6696 Scholarly Inquiry Practicum I (1) / Total –9

Semester 6

NSG 6634 Role of the Nursing Informatics Specialist (1)

NSG 6636 Nursing Informatics Internship (4)

NSG 6655 Synthesis & Evaluation of Advanced Nursing Practice (1)

NSG 6697 Scholarly Inquiry Practicum II (1) / Total 7

Family Nurse Practitioner Track

Semester 3

NSG 6604 Theories in Nursing (2)

NSG 6649 Advanced Pharmacology (3)

NSG 6671 Advanced Pathophysiology (3)

NSG 6692 Data Analysis Techniques in Research (2) / Total-10

Semester 4

*NSG 6691 Research Methodology (3)

NSG 6660 Foundations of Advanced Practice (2)

NSG 6612 Advanced Health Assessment (3)

NSG 6613 FNP Advanced Health Assessment Preceptorship (3) / Total-11 * Not needed if taken in semester 2

Semester 5

NSG 6665 Primary Care I (3)

NSG 6666 Primary Care I Preceptorship (3)

NSG 6645 Family and Cultural Theories in Adv Nursing Practice (3) / Total- 9

Semester 6

NSG 6605 Health Care Economics (2)

NSG 6667 Primary Care II (3)

NSG 6668 Primary Care II Preceptorship (3)

NSG 6696 Scholarly Inquiry Practicum I (1) / Total –9

Semester 7

NSG 6670 Role Synthesis Seminar (1)

NSG 6680 Family Nurse Practitioner Internship (5)

NSG 6655 Synthesis & Evaluation of Advanced Nursing Practice (1)

NSG 6697 Scholarly Inquiry Practicum II (1) / Total– 8

BSN Four Semester Program of Studies for BSN

Semester 1Fall	Semester 2 Spring
NSG 3370 Professional Nursing (2)	NSG 3315 Pathophysiology (3)
NSG 3309 Health Assessment (2)	NSG 4407 Clinical Nutrition (1)
NSG 3310 Health Assessment Practicum (1)	NSG 4419 Research and Evidence in Nursing Practice (2) [If substituted for NSG 6691, Research Methodology for BSN degree]
NSG 3319 Informatics in Nursing (2)	Total– 4 to 6
TOTAL-7	
Semester 3 Fall	**Semester 4 Spring**
NSG 4405 Public Health Nursing (3)	NSG 4430 Advanced Nursing Theory (3)
NSG 4406 Public Health Nursing Practicum (2)	NSG 4431 Advanced Nursing Preceptorship (2)
Total-5	NSG 6691 Research Methodology (3) or NSG 4419 Research and Evidence in Nursing Practice (2)
	Total-7 or 8

Awarded BSN after successful completion of all general studies course requirements and all nursing courses in the BSN clinical nursing sequence.

May apply for admission into MSN Program. For other planners for MSN options see Director of Graduate Nursing Programs.

Clinical Requirements: All students who enroll in a clinical nursing course (NSG 4406 or NSG 4431) must have current, written documentation on file in the School of Nursing that includes the following clinical requirements:

- Professional Liability insurance (must purchase through Troy University School of Nursing.)
- Proof of certification of BLS/CPR for healthcare provider
- Proof of current personal health insurance
- Proof of annual physical examination with TB skin test results on School of Nursing form
- Proof of OSHA and HIPAA training
- Results of serum titers for measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella zoster and evidence of immunity to Hepatitis B or proof of beginning Hepatitis B vaccinations series.
- Completed Hepatitis B Vaccine form
- Negative results on the certified Drug Screening using School of Nursing policy and procedure.
- Completed Disclosure of Legal Convictions and Arrest statement
- Clear certified background check is verified using School of Nursing policy and procedure.
- Copy of unencumbered RN license in state of clinical practice.

BSN Clinical Nursing Sequence Progression

- Students are required to have an overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for enrollment in the Clinical Nursing Sequence.
- Students are required to make a grade of C or better in each required nursing course.
- Students may repeat only one 3300-4400 level nursing course required in the BSN Clinical Nursing Sequence; therefore, a second D or F in any 3300-4400 level nursing course will result in automatic dismissal from the program.
- Students who are planning to apply, or have applied but have not yet begun, the BSN Clinical Nursing Sequence may repeat only one 3300-4400 level nursing course from the courses required in the BSN Clinical Nursing Sequence; thereafter, a second D or F in a 3300-4400 level nursing course will automatically disqualify the student from entering the BSN Clinical Nursing Sequence
- Students who drop or fail a theory or clinical course with a co-requisite component must drop the co-requisite course.
- Students must maintain current CPR certification, professional liability insurance, proof of annual physical exams and health insurance when enrolled in clinical courses. Students must comply with drug screening and background check requirements.
- Students in the School of Nursing must comply with legal, moral, and legislative standards in accordance with the Alabama Board of Nursing.