UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

BSN Completion Program

The BSN Completion Program at UW-Eau Claire is for registered nurses who wish to combine online courses with on campus courses and a clinical experience to complete a BSN (Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing). Nurses must apply and be admitted to **both** the University and the BSN Completion Program in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences.

UW-Eau Claire participates in the BSN@HOME collaboration, which is a joint effort of six University of Wisconsin System (UW-Eau Claire, UW-Green Bay, UW-Madison, UW-Milwaukee, UW-Oshkosh, and UW-Stevens Point) nursing programs. Campuses share in the online offering of nursing core and elective courses to nurses admitted in one of the UW System BSN Completion Programs.

Nursing students enrolled in the UW-Eau Claire BSN Completion Program select UW-Eau Claire as their home campus. UW-Eau Claire BSN Completion students must complete all degree requirements for the nursing degree from UW-Eau Claire. Students in this program are eligible for the benefits of the articulation agreement between the UW System and the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS).

The BSN degree at UW-Eau Claire consists of two academic components:

1. **Liberal education coursework**, which includes university and other non-nursing requirements for a bachelor’s degree, specific to and required of all UW-Eau Claire students.
2. **Nursing coursework**, which includes credit for prior ADN nursing coursework, upper division nursing courses taken at UW-Eau Claire, and online courses offered through the UW System collaboration (on campus classes are scheduled on Wednesdays only).

**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS** - Students who declare UW-Eau Claire as their home campus must fulfill the following requirements: *(Note: your academic advisor will assist you in choosing coursework to meet course requirements)*

* University Writing Requirement 5-6 credits
* Design for Diversity (DD) 3 credits
* Statistics (Math 246; meets S2) 3-4 credits
* Biochemistry (Chem 150; meets K1) 3 credits
* Liberal Education *(see Liberal Education requirements for BSN Completion table for details)*

▪ Knowledge

K1: Natural Sciences 2 exp/courses

K2: Social Sciences 2 exp/courses

K3: Humanities 2 exp/courses

K4: Fine Arts 1 exp/courses

* Skills

S1: Communication 2 exp/courses

S2: Mathematics 1 exp/courses

S3: Creativity 1 exp/courses

* Responsibility

R1: Equity, Diversity, & Inclusivity 2 exp/courses

R2: Global Perspectives 1 exp/courses

R3: Civic & Environment Issues 1 exp/courses

* Integration

I1: Integration 2 exp/courses

* Nursing Requirements 60 credits
* Electives to total 120 credits for the degree

**OVER**

**Liberal education** and other non-nursing requirements for the BSN may be earned in a variety of ways:

* Course enrollment at UW-Eau Claire
* Transfer from an accredited college or university
* Independent study through an accredited college or university (e.g., UW-Extension)
* Credit by examination (e.g., CLEP, ACT-PEP, teacher-made)

**COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR IN NURSING** consists of 60 credits. Of these, 30 credits are awarded for prior learning upon completion of CND 310 with a grade of B or better

* Credits by confirming course for prior nursing education 30 credits
* Upper division nursing courses 30 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ Bridge to Professional Nursing – CND 310 2 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ \*Foundations of Professional Nursing – CND 407 3 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ \*Chronic Care Management – CND 441 3 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ \*Nursing Research & EBP – CND 446 3 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ \*Leadership & Management – CND 447 3 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ \*Informatics & HC Technology – CND 453 3 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ \*Community Health Nursing – CND 454 3 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ Upper Division Nursing Electives 6 credits

\_\_\_\_\_ Nursing within Systems: Analysis & Application – CND 480 4 credits

**TOTAL** 60 credits

CND 310 and the capstone course CND 480 are hybrid courses (taught partially face-to-face and partially online and require some on-campus class attendance. Both of these courses are offered in Fall and Spring semesters. In Fall semesters, CND 480 is also offered via interactive television (ITV) to the Marshfield site based on enrollment. In Spring semesters, CND 310 is also offered via ITV to the Marshfield site based on enrollment. CND 480 includes a clinical component. As much as is possible, clinical is arranged near the student’s place of residence.

The six core\* nursing courses – CND 407, 441, 446, 447, 453, 454 (18 credits) and upper division nursing electives (6 credits) are offered online. Each core course originates from one of the six participating universities. Nursing electives are offered on a rotating basis online through BSN@HOME and UWEC.

Applicants must be **admitted** to the University by the application deadlines. Nursing program application deadlines are October 1st and November 1st for Spring semester and March 1st, April 1st, and June 1st for Fall semester. Please go to [www.bsnathome.com](http://www.bsnathome.com) and complete a *STUDENT Interest INQUIRY* form for further information.

\*All students must have a Wisconsin RN license at time of admission or by the designated deadline once admitted.

A RN-to-BSN to MSN option is also available

# ADVISING

Students are assigned to a UW-Eau Claire BSN Completion adviser. Regular contact with the adviser by telephone, videoconference, Skype, or email serves to keep both the student and the adviser informed.

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