





Pre-Licensure BSN // MAJOR MAP

Bachelor of Science | Nursing



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	FRESHMAN	SOPHOMORE	JUNIOR	SENIOR	CAREER POSSIBILITIES
 Grow ACADEMICALLY	<p>Investigate introductory courses like BIO 1004 Principles of Biology, CHE 1004 Chemistry for Allied Health, and PSY 1013 General Psychology.</p> <p>Stay highly committed to your science grades and maintain a 2.7 GPA in your pre-requisite science courses.</p>	<p>Nursing courses begin. General education and program-required courses are threaded throughout the program to provide opportunities to interact with students and faculty outside the program.</p>	<p>Utilize the Learning Resource and Simulation Center's open lab times for practice and additional clinical support.</p> <p>The College of Health Professions Nursing Library also has created LibGuides to support each nursing course with content-specific supplemental resources and NCLEX questions.</p>	<p>NRS 4554 Medical Surgical Nursing III, NRS 4413 Advanced Health Assessment, and NRS 4434 Administration and Leadership will bring your academic experiences together and prepare you for your desired career upon graduation.</p>	<p>Medical-Surgical Nurse</p> <p>ICU Nurse</p> <p>Mental Health Nurse</p> <p>ER/Trauma Nurse</p> <p>Pediatric Nurse</p> <p>Oncology Nurse</p> <p>Clinic Nurse</p> <p>School Nurse</p> <p>Research Nurse</p> <p>Quality Improvement Nurse</p> <p>Public Health Nurse</p> <p>Labor and Delivery Nurse</p> <p>Case Management</p> <p>Clinical Educator</p> <p>Home Health</p>
 Pursue SERVANT LEADERSHIP	<p>Participate in student organizations and professional associations or attend Bible Study in the Nursing Department.</p> <p>Consider ways you can volunteer with organizations such as Alpha House Pregnancy Resource Center or Exodus Ministries.</p>	<p>Continue engaging in your student organization and consider leadership roles.</p> <p>Engage in courses like NRS 3453 Spirituality in Health Care to develop your servant-leadership.</p>	<p>Demonstrate servant-leadership in your organization by pursuing leadership roles and making new members feel welcome.</p>	<p>NRS 4114 Maternal Child and Family Health and NRS 4404 Community Health will help strengthen your ability to identify resources and provide education to improve quality of life for vulnerable populations.</p> <p>Effectively utilize your experience by mentoring new nursing students in the program.</p>	
 Embrace OUR GLOBAL SOCIETY	<p>Visit SBU's Center for Global Connections to learn about global service opportunities.</p>	<p>The Learning Resource and Simulation Center provides the opportunity to work with the most-advanced technological equipment available in nursing education. This provides hands-on practice to support clinical reasoning and reflective learning.</p>	<p>Explore the many opportunities nursing and clinical site rotations provide for intercultural experiences. Consider serving on a mission trip or volunteering at an agency that provides support to families in need.</p>	<p>Engage in courses like NRS 4013 Health Care in Culturally Diverse Populations.</p> <p>Consider a mission trip as an opportunity to serve, particularly a medical mission trip where you can apply your nursing knowledge and skills.</p>	
 Plan for YOUR FUTURE	<p>Register for courses listed on the PLBSN degree plan. Meet with a PLBSN faculty advisor in the spring semester and apply to the program.</p> <p>Begin preparing for the ATI TEAS entrance exam.</p> <p>Apply for private scholarships through SBU.</p>	<p>Consider challenging the CNA exam after the first nursing semester and work as a nurse assistant.</p> <p>Begin building your résumé, develop contacts in your career field of interest, and consider opportunities to job shadow.</p>	<p>Consider a nurse internship program</p> <p>If you are already a CNA, challenge, the CMT exam after completing Pharmacology and work as medication technician.</p>	<p>Preparation for the licensure exam is key. NCLEX Review and the ATI Live Review prep course will prepare you for the licensure examination to become an RN. Take the licensure test as soon as you can after graduation.</p> <p>Consider the option of continuing your education by pursuing SBU's Master of Science in Nursing through their tracks in Nursing Education or Nursing Administration.</p>	