Nursing, BSN

The accelerated BSN/MS option is currently only available to ASU Online students.

Nursing is at the forefront of our changing health care system. This program prepares you to be a professional nurse with the theoretical foundation and clinical competence to thrive in various health care settings. Learn to think critically, use evidence to make decisions, work collaboratively and be innovative in interprofessional health care environments.

Program Description

Through a curriculum centered upon evidence-based practice, clinical reasoning, innovation, interprofessional communication and information technology, the BSN degree program prepares students to provide high-quality professional nursing care. The Bachelor of Science in nursing may be earned through several unique pathways.

Traditional Prelicensure BSN Nursing Program

The traditional prelicensure clinical nursing program is a full-time, upper-division nursing program designed for students who wish to become a registered nurse by completing a Bachelor of Science in nursing. The program has three start dates per year --- in spring, summer and fall and it may be completed in a 16-month year-round schedule or a 24-month academic year schedule. Graduates are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination to gain licensure as a registered nurse.

Students advance into the program in one of two ways: direct admission or the competitive advancement process. Direct admission is offered to incoming first-time freshmen who meet specific admission criteria. Students admitted directly must meet continuing eligibility criteria while attending ASU to advance into the upper-division nursing program. Directly admitted nursing students who do not meet continuing eligibility criteria, transfer students or ASU students who are changing majors may apply for advancement to the upper-division nursing program by competing for any remaining spaces. More information can be found on the program website at https://nursingandhealth.asu.edu/programs/bsn/traditional.
Accelerated BSN Clinical Nursing Program
The accelerated BSN clinical nursing program is a full-time, 12-month upper-division clinical nursing program designed for students who wish to become a registered nurse by completing a BSN. Selection is competitive and students start the program in the spring semester (Downtown Phoenix) or fall semester (Lake Havasu).

Students pursuing advancement to the accelerated BSN clinical nursing program complete prerequisite coursework and apply for advancement to the program. Graduates are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination to gain licensure as a registered nurse. More information can be found on the program website at https://nursingandhealth.asu.edu/programs/bsn/accelerated?ref-id=postbaccalaureate.

Online RN to BSN Program
The online RN to BSN program is available to students who have earned an associate degree in nursing and have a current RN license in good standing with the state board of nursing. The RN to BSN program courses are offered online in 7.5-week sessions and can be completed in 14 to 24 months. There are five starts per year: two in the fall, two in the spring and one in the summer. Assignments may include readings, discussions, papers, presentations and practical application activities completed wherever the student resides.

Transfer pathway agreements are in place with all community college nursing programs in Arizona, which provide additional benefits to students. The RN to BSN program is not available to students residing in Tennessee, Rhode Island or Washington. More information can be found on the program website at https://asuonline.asu.edu/online-degree-programs/undergraduate/bachelor-science-nursing-rn-bsn/.

Concurrent Enrollment Program
The concurrent enrollment program pathway is available to students enrolling in or already enrolled in any regionally accredited associate degree program in nursing that leads to NCLEX-RN licensure. This program is designed for qualified nursing students who are interested in earning their Bachelor of Science in nursing while simultaneously pursuing their associate degree in nursing. Selected students enroll in the community college program and ASU CEP courses at the same time (concurrently). CEP courses taken at ASU are delivered in an online format. ASU CEP is not available to students residing in Tennessee, Rhode Island or Washington. More information can be found on the program website at https://asuonline.asu.edu/online-degree-programs/undergraduate/rn-bsn-concurrent-enrollment-bsn/.

Eastern Arizona College Partnership
The ASU and Eastern Arizona College partnership offers a concurrent enrollment program pathway for qualified students pursuing an Associate of Applied Science in nursing from any of the three EAC campuses while simultaneously earning a Bachelor of Science in nursing from ASU. Courses in this program are delivered in a hybrid format on the Thatcher campus. More information can be found on the program website at https://nursingandhealth.asu.edu/programs/bsn/eastern-arizona-college.
At a Glance

- **College/School:** [Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation](#)
- **Location:** Downtown Phoenix, West, ASU at Lake Havasu, ASU at The Gila Valley or [Online], ASU Local

- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** General

Required Courses (Major Map)

- [2022 - 2023 Major Map (On-campus)](#)
- [2022 - 2023 Major Map (Online)](#)
- [Major Map (Archives)](#)

Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

- **Nursing, MS**

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.

Admission Requirements

**General University Admission Requirements:**

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements. [First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)

**Additional Requirements:**

The admission standards for majors in the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation are higher than minimum university standards. Effective Fall 2022, first-year admission requirements are:
top 10% of high school graduating class OR
GPA of 3.80 in ASU competency courses (based on 4.00 grading scale) OR
GPA of 3.50 in ASU competency courses AND either a 25 ACT or 1230 SAT combined evidence-based reading and writing plus math score

Priority Application Date: November 1.

First-year applicants should select an additional major when applying for admission.

English language proficiency requirements for applicants whose native language is not English:

- minimum score of 540 (paper-based), 207 (computer-based), or 76 (internet-based) on the TOEFL
- minimum overall band of 6.5 with no band below 5.5 on the IELTS

First-year admission applications to the Bachelor of Science in nursing program that are received after the November 1 application priority date are considered on a space-available basis. Students not offered admission directly to the nursing program are placed in the BS program in community health.

**Change of Major Requirements**

Current ASU students interested in changing to this program need to apply for the upper division clinical nursing program through an advancement application process. Space is limited, and selection is based upon GPA and score earned on the TEAS. Students should speak with an advisor in the College of Nursing and Health Innovation for more information on how to change a major to this program.

Students should refer to [https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) for information about how to change a major to this program.

**Attend Online**

**ASU Online**

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program description and request more information [here](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu).

**ASU Local**

It is now possible to earn an ASU degree with ASU Local, an integrated college experience in which students take advantage of in-person success coaching and programming experiences on site while completing one of 130+ undergraduate online degree programs, all of which come with online faculty interaction and tutoring support. Those interested may learn more about ASU Local [here](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu).

**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU™](https://mypath2asu.asu.edu) to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to...
ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU.

Global Opportunities

Global Experience
Students gain valuable experience when studying abroad, experience that enhances their resumes. With over 250 programs available, study abroad allows students to tailor their experience to their unique interests and skill sets. Students majoring in nursing are able to expand their knowledge of how nursing is practiced across the globe. Students stand out in their field with the heightened cultural competency and leadership and critical thinking skills they achieved when studying abroad. More information on available programs can be found on the Global Education website at https://goglobal.asu.edu/.

Career Opportunities

The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation prepares graduates for excellence upon entering the workplace. Graduates deliver nursing care to individuals, families and communities. Completion of this degree program also prepares individuals for entrance into graduate study in nursing at the master's or doctoral degree levels, which is essential for teaching, administration, clinical specialization and research.

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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<td>7.6%</td>
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ASU programs that may lead to professional licensure or certification are intended to prepare students for potential licensure or certification in Arizona. Completion of an ASU program may not meet educational requirements for licensure or certification in another state. For more information, students should visit the ASU professional licensure webpage: https://admission.asu.edu/academics/licensure.

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