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Program Status   Active

Academic Level   Undergraduate

Type of proposal   Major/Field of Study

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Reconfiguring an Existing Degree—(LON 11)

Are you adding a concentration?
   No

Are you adding a track?
   No

Are you adding a focused study?
   No

Effective Catalog Year   Fall 2019

College/School Code
   College of Education and Health Professions(EDUC)

Department Code
   Eleanor Mann School of Nursing(NURS)

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Degree	Bachelor of Science in Nursing
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Program Title

Nursing RN to BSN ~~Concentration~~

Program Delivery
Method
    Online/Web-based

           Is this program interdisciplinary?

No

           Does this proposal impact any courses from another College/School?

No

What are the total   120
hours needed to
complete the
program?

On-line/Web-based Information

Reason for offering
Web-based Program
    already approved for this

Maximum Class Size   n/a
for Web-based
Courses

Course delivery
mode

Method(s)
Online

Class interaction
mode

Method(s):
Electronic Bulletin Boards

Percent Online
    100% with No Required Campus Component

Provide a List of
Services Supplied by
Consortia Partners or
Outsourced
Organization
    n/a

Estimate Costs of the Program over the First 3 Years	n/a
List Courses Taught by Adjunct Faculty	
Upload Memorandum of Understanding Forms (if required)	

Program Requirements and Description

Requirements

R.N. to B.S.N. **Program (NURSBS-RNBN)**

Admission Policies

Complete university admission requirements.

Complete R.N. to B.S.N. Program application with supporting R.N. licensure documentation and practice experience verification as indicated below.

R.N.s with 12-months or greater since nursing program completion:

Documentation from current and/or recent employer(s) where applicant is hired as an R.N. including institution or organization name, address, and supervisor contact information, area or unit of service, position title, and employment status (e.g. full-time, part-time, per diem). Applicants should include documentation of one of the following:

Employer verification of 1,000-R.N. practice-hours completed within 12-24 months of beginning the program.

Completion of a state board of nursing approved R.N.-refresher courses within 12-24 months fo beginning the program.

Nursing students enrolled in final semester of an accredited nursing program may be eligible for conditional program admission pending R.N. licensure. Supporting documents required with program application are listed below:

A letter of good standing from the director or dean of the respective nursing program from which the applicant is transferring from.

In addition, students may enroll in a maximum of 6 credit hours of course work within the R.N. to B.S.N. program of study and enrollment duration may not exceed one (1) academic semester or 6 months following Pre-R.N. Licensure program completion.

Complete pre-admission advising with online B.S.N. academic counselor to evaluate general education requirements. It is preferred that all prerequisite courses be complete. Students missing credit hours will be considered on an individual basis. If approved for conditional admission, the missing credit hours must be

completed in the beginning of the program of study. All students must have completed all 6 hours of English prior to admission.

Completion of an accredited and state board approved R.N. program.

Verification and maintenance of, unencumbered licensure to practice as a R.N. in Arkansas and /or any other state. Not all state boards of nursing will accept outside of state education. See program website for current list of allowed states.

Credit for courses listed below will be held in escrow. The student will receive credit for these courses upon successful completion of the program.

NURS 2032	Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication	2
NURS 3313	Pharmacology in Nursing	3
NURS 3422	Nursing Concepts: Foundations of Professional Practice	6
& NURS 3424	and Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver	
NURS 3634	Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness I	8
& NURS 3644	and Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver	
NURS 3742	Nursing Concepts: Mental Health and Illness	4
& NURS 3752	and Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver	
NURS 4154	Nursing Concepts: Children and Family	8
& NURS 4164	and Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher	
NURS 4262	Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness II	2
NURS 4442	Nursing Concepts: Critical Care	4
& NURS 4452	and Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis	
Total Hours		37

Professional nursing courses for R.N. to B.S.N. students are delivered online through Global Campus.

Students will be required to identify a qualified mentor (BSN level or higher) for the NURS 4092 Practicum course.

R.N. to B.S.N. Requirements for Bachelor of Science in Nursing

University Core (State Minimum Core)	35
English	
Any (6 hours) Core English	
Mathematics	
Any (3 hours) Core Math	
Sciences with Labs	
Any (8 hours) Core Sciences	
Fine Arts 1	
Any (3 hours) Core Fine Arts	
Humanities	
Any (3 hours) Core Humanities	

History/Government 1

Any (3 hours) Core American History or American Government

Social Sciences 1

Any (9 hours) Core Social Sciences

Additional Program Requirements

Sciences (8 hours), in addition to state core sciences with labs.	8
Statistics (3 hours)	3
Elective hours (as needed)	7
R.N. to B.S.N. Professional Nursing Program	30

NURS 4003 Transition to Professional Nursing Practice

NURS 4013 Informatics for the Professional Nurse

NURS 4203 Leadership in Nursing

NURS 4023 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan

NURS 4323 Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning for Professional Nurses

NURS 4063 Population and Community Health Nursing

NURS 4843 Research in Nursing

NURS 4503 Introduction to Health Care Policy

NURS 4313 Pathophysiology in Nursing

NURS 4701 Professional Nursing Synthesis

NURS 4092 RN-BSN Professional Role Implementation VIII: Role Synthesis (NURS 4092 should be the last course taken and should come after 4701)

Credits for Selected Nursing Courses Granted from Escrow	37

NURS 2032 Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication

NURS 3313 Pharmacology in Nursing

NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations of Professional Practice

NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver

NURS 3634 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness I

NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver

NURS 3742 Nursing Concepts: Mental Health and Illness

NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver

NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Children and Family

NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher

NURS 4262 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness II

NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care

NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis

Total Hours	120

1   Denotes required nursing pre-requisite courses.

NOTE: ~~Requirements NOTE:~~ The minimum number of hours required to receive a baccalaureate degree at the University of Arkansas is 120 semester hours. The Nursing major is exempt from the eight-semester degree plan since the program is admissions-based. There is no guarantee that a student meeting the minimal GPA

requirement will be admitted. Please refer to the [College of Education and Health Profession's website](#) for specific information related to the admission criteria.

Progression, Withdrawal, and Dismissal

For progression in the nursing program, only grades of "C" or above will be accepted. Students who make less than a "C" may not progress into courses for which that course is a prerequisite until the course is repeated and the required minimum grade attained.

If a student earns a "D" or "F" in a course, the course may be repeated once. The course must be passed on the second attempt. If a student earns a "D" or "F" in a second course, the student will be dismissed from the program and may not be eligible for re-admission.

If the student does not earn a grade of at least "C" upon repeating the nursing courses, the student may not enroll in any nursing courses or continue in the School of Nursing or be eligible for re-admission.

If a student withdraws from a course, the course may be repeated. No more than two (2) withdraws from the same course will be allowed. If not passed in the third attempt, the student will be dismissed from the program.

The one (1) "D" policy includes only nursing courses.

Didactic/Clinical Practicum Courses

A student who needs to repeat a course must make petition to the Student Affairs Committee in nursing and are encouraged to do so as soon as they are aware of the need to repeat a course.

Students will be readmitted on a space-available basis according to the following priority system:

Priority Groups for Placement in Required Courses

First Priority - Continuing full-time students in good academic standing.

Second Priority - Continuing part-time students in good academic standing.

Third Priority - Students repeating a course due to an academic or clinical failure.

Spaces in clinical practicum courses are limited and tightly controlled by accreditation, the State Boards of Nursing, and clinical agency policies. Space in Didactic courses are limited to space available. A student re-enrolling in a Clinical Practicum Course (whether due to illness, course failure, or other reasons) will not be assured a clinical placement space in subsequent courses.

NOTE: Readmission will not be considered for any student dismissed from the School of Nursing who obtained a "D" or "F" in one (1) nursing course and was unable to make a "C" or better upon repeating this course. Also, a student dismissed from a Clinical Practicum Course due to safety, ethical, or dishonesty issues will be administratively withdrawn from a course, and may be subject to administrative withdrawal from the School of Nursing following a full review. Readmission is not guaranteed to these students.

Students should note that a flagrant or established patter of disregard to Eleanor Mann School of Nursing policies can result in a failure of the course and/or dismissal from the program without prior warnings. (see Forms page for performance improvement plan guidelines)

Readmission Policies

Any student whose enrollment in the professional program of study has been interrupted may seek readmission following the steps below:

Seek readmission into the University of Arkansas (if applicable).

Complete Readmission Application to the School of Nursing (Readmission is limited by space availability).

Readmission will not be considered for any student dismissed from the School of Nursing who obtained a "D" or "F" in one (1) nursing course and was unable to make a "C" or better upon repeating this course or who was dismissed from a Clinical Practicum Course due to safety, ethical, or dishonesty issues. Exceptions to this policy will be considered by the Student Affairs Committee in nursing on an individual basis.

Exit Policies

Students must complete the requirements for the degree within five (5) years of enrolling in the first upper-level nursing course. If the student does not complete the Professional Program of Study within the five (5) year limit, nursing credits must be reevaluated.

All University of Arkansas requirements must be met.

NOTE: In addition to the program requirements, students must meet the university and college graduation requirements. This curriculum is subject to change to comply with national accreditation and the Arkansas State Board of Nursing Standards.

8-Semester Plan

R.N. to B.S.N. Program (NURSBS-RNBN)

The nature of the R.N. to B.S.N. major excludes it from ACT 1014 eight-semester degree-completion program requirements. The degree is a 120 hour degree in accordance with ACT 747.

Presented below is a typical plan for completing this degree in four semesters; individual student plans may vary significantly.

Students are not required to complete courses during the summer, but courses may be offered. Students may be able to finish the program sooner if they enroll in summer courses.

First Year	Units	
	Fall	Spring
RNBN Prerequisite courses	**53**	
Year Total:	53	

Second Year	Units	
	Fall	Spring
NURS 4003 Transition to Professional Nursing Practice	**3**	
NURS 4013 Informatics for the Professional Nurse	**3**	
NURS 4313 Pathophysiology in Nursing	**3**	
NURS 4323 Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning for Professional Nurses	**3**	
NURS 4843 Research in Nursing	**3**	
NURS 4023 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan		**3**
NURS 4063 Population and Community Health Nursing		**3**
NURS 4203 Leadership in Nursing		**3**
NURS 4503 Introduction to Health Care Policy		**3**
NURS 4701 Professional Nursing Synthesis		**1**
NURS 4092 RN-BSN Professional Role Implementation VIII: Role Synthesis		**2**
Year Total:	15	15

Third Year	Units
	FallSpring
Escrow Credit	**37**
NURS 2032 Therapeutic and Interprofessional Communication	
NURS 3313 Pharmacology in Nursing	
NURS 3422 Nursing Concepts: Foundations of Professional Practice	
NURS 3424 Professional Role Implementation I: Caregiver	
NURS 3634 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness I	
NURS 3644 Professional Role Implementation II: Caregiver	
NURS 3742 Nursing Concepts: Mental Health and Illness	
NURS 3752 Professional Role Implementation III: Caregiver	
NURS 4154 Nursing Concepts: Children and Family	
NURS 4164 Professional Role Implementation IV: Teacher	
NURS 4262 Nursing Concepts: Adult Health and Illness II	
NURS 4442 Nursing Concepts: Critical Care	
NURS 4452 Professional Role Implementation VI: Role Synthesis	
Year Total:	37
Total Units in Sequence:	120

Are Similar Programs available in the area?

No

Estimated Student Demand for Program	NA
Scheduled Program Review Date	NA

Program Goals and Objectives

Program Goals and Objectives
NA

Learning Outcomes

Learning Outcomes
NA

Description and justification of the request

Description of specific change	Justification for this change
The RN-BSN online option curriculum will remain the same with updated course titles reflecting appropriate terminology with the addition of LPN's enrolled in the same courses	The addition of an LPN-BSN online option is being added. The online option is needed to facilitate enrollment of LPN's in the BSN program. The current LPN-BSN option is offered only in the traditional format and enrollment has traditionally been very low. (There is only 1 LPN enrolled currently.) Moving this option to online will help reach working LPN's who need flexibility in their schedule and the LPN's in rural areas of Arkansas and beyond. Currently, Eleanor Mann offers an RN-BSN online option, and it has been very successful. RNs from all over the State of Arkansas and beyond have enrolled and obtained a BSN in this program. The RN-BSN online option curriculum will remain the same with updated course titles reflecting appropriate terminology with the addition of LPN's enrolled in the same courses

Upload attachments

[RN-BSN Online Curriculum Plan (002)(1).docx](#)

[NURSBS - Reconfiguration - Course List Matrix.docx](#)

[NURSBS - Reconfiguration - Outcomes Matrix.docx](#)

[NURSBS - Reconfiguration - Ltr of Notification.docx](#)

Reviewer Comments

Alice Griffin (agriffin) (10/24/18 9:49 am): Removed School of Continuing Education and Academic Outreach language from admission information. Global Campus is sufficient for the name of the organization.

Alice Griffin (agriffin) (10/24/18 11:12 am): Revised justification with input from School/College.

Alice Griffin (agriffin) (10/24/18 12:01 pm): Uploading revised copy of LON with input from School.

Alice Griffin (agriffin) (10/25/18 2:43 pm): Revised LON and Outcomes Matrix. Renamed documents to match BOT naming convention.

Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza) (10/26/18 10:21 am): May need to tweak catalog copy regarding the various options/paths to getting a BSN. These will definitely not be called concentrations going forward, per discussion between NURS, the Provost's Office and Registrar's Office; however, CourseLeaf does not yet provide the appropriate choices to accurately reflect this decision.

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