

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING: RN-TO-BSN

This program is a Selective Program. Application requirements are included in the description below.

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The Bachelor of Science in Nursing RN-to-BSN online program will prepare graduates for leadership and management positions in a health care facility.

Graduates of this program will provide valuable expertise in the area of health care systems management, leadership, research, community, public, global health policy and legal issues related to the health care industry.

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Requirements Application Requirements

The admission requirements for this program will follow the South Texas College general admission policy. The RN-to-BSN program will require the following additional requirements. The applicant must:

- Admitted to South Texas College through submission of an online application (ApplyTexas.org)
  - Issued a South Texas College ID Number (A#)
  - Issues a JagMail Account
- Documents Required:
  - Current, unencumbered RN License to practice in Texas or an Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact RN License
  - Official transcripts of record that include the following:
    - Conferred Associate of Applied Science – Associate Degree Nursing (AAS-ADN)
    - With a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
    - Completed at least a minimum of 30 credits of Core Curriculum with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
  - Information Session Certificate of Completion
  - Personal letter of intent and curriculum vitae detailing academic career and professional experience
  - Two letters of professional recommendation from faculty members or employers
  - Official documentation of all required immunizations and clinical requirements
  - Completed and signed Functional Abilities Standard Requirements Form

## Degree Completion Requirements

### Minimum Completion Requirements

- Complete the appropriate course of study for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing: RN-to-BSN program as specified in the College catalog. Developmental or other non-credit coursework does not apply toward graduation requirements.
- South Texas College will accept a maximum of 90-semester credits of applicable course work transferred from another accredited college or university toward a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree granted by STC.

- Completion of at least 31 credit hours in 3000 level courses or higher of which at least 18 must be completed at STC.
- Maintain a minimum average of “B” (3.0 G.P.A.) for all courses in the area of specialization and a minimum cumulative average of “C” (2.0 G.P.A. in all other courses).
- Pay all debts to the College prior to graduation.

## Degree Components

General Education Courses	42
Required Lower-Division Coursework	47
Required Upper-Division Coursework	31
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>120</b>

## Lower-Division Requirements

### STC Core Curriculum (42 Credit Hours)

The student is required to take 42 semester credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum.

Students beginning the Bachelor of Science in Nursing RN-to-BSN Degree Program upper-level coursework upon completion of the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Associate Degree in Nursing must complete an additional 27 general education credit hours in order to fulfill the forty-two (42) credit hour general education Core Curriculum required at South Texas College.

## Required Lower-Division Course Work (47 Credit Hours)

The student is required to complete 47 semester credit hours of coursework from an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Associate Degree in Nursing. The 47 semester credit hours are listed below.

RNSG 1209	Introduction to Nursing	2
RNSG 1301	Pharmacology <sup>1</sup>	3
RNSG 1513	Foundations for Nursing Practice	5
RNSG 1205	Nursing Skills I	2
RNSG 1262	Clinical I	2
RNSG 1144	Nursing Skills II	1
RNSG 1341	Common Concepts of Adult Health	3
RNSG 2161	Clinical - Medical/Surgical	1
RNSG 2213	Mental Health Nursing	2
RNSG 2162	Clinical - Mental Health	1
RNSG 1412	Nursing Care of the Childbearing and Childrearing Family	4
RNSG 2260	Clinical - Pediatrics/Maternal/Infant	2
RNSG 1343	Complex Concepts of Adult Health	3
RNSG 2361	Clinical - Complex Medical Surgical	3
RNSG 2331	Advanced Concepts of Adult Health	3
RNSG 2163	Clinical IV	1
RNSG 2221	Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management	2
RNSG 2363	Clinical V	3
BIOL 2420	Microbiology for Non-Science Majors	4

**Total Credit Hours** 47

<sup>1</sup> Or RNSG 1300 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan in lieu of RNSG 1301

## Upper-Division Requirements

### Prerequisites for Upper-level Coursework

- Completion of an **Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Associate Degree Nursing** from a regionally accredited institution with at least fifteen (15) credit hours in general education coursework or
- A minimum GPA of 2.5 in previous coursework.

### Required Upper-Division Course Work (31 Credit Hours)

The upper-division Bachelor of Science in Nursing RN-to-BSN major courses educate students in health care systems management, finance, leadership, research, evidence-based, community and population health, public and global health policy, and legal issues related to the health care industry.

NURS 3370	Professional Development and Inter-professional Collaboration	3
NURS 3302	Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Healthcare	3
NURS 3304	Holistic Assessment Across the Lifespan	3
NURS 3312	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 3401	Population Focused Community Health Care	4
NURS 3102	Population Focused Community Health Care - Clinical	1
NURS 3310	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Research	3
NURS 3320	Public and Global Health Policy	3
NURS 3408	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	4
NURS 3108	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing - Clinical	1
NURS 3301	Nursing Capstone - Capstone	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31</b>

### Through the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, RN-to-BSN program outcomes, the student will be able to demonstrate:

1. Apply clinical judgment in decision-making based on the nursing program of study, evidence-based practice outcomes and research studies in the provision of comprehensive and safe patient and population care.
2. Deliver safety and quality improvement initiatives as an advocate, provider and manager of nursing care rendered by the interdisciplinary health care team.

3. Demonstrate clinical inquiry in applying patient care technologies and information systems to support safe nursing practice and population risk reduction.
4. Examine the monitoring of institutional, professional, and public health care policies to maintain adherence to legal standards and regulatory frameworks of professional nursing practice.
5. Manage care transitions across the healthcare continuum in populations with diverse communities in collaboration with members of the interdisciplinary health care team.
6. Demonstrate effective leadership that reflects the values, ethics, and continuing competence of the nursing profession.
7. Demonstrate leadership skills related to financial resources, human resource, clinical management, and professional issues in providing and evaluating comprehensive care.

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#### STC Core Curriculum

ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
ENGL 1302	Composition II - Rhetoric	3
BIOL 2401	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIOL 2402	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
HIST 1301	United States History I	3
HIST 1302	United States History II	3
MATH 1342	Elementary Statistical Methods	3
GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3
GOVT 2306	Texas Government	3
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3
or PSYC 2314	Lifespan Growth and Development	
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum		4
Creative Arts Elective - Core Curriculum		3
Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective - Core Curriculum		3
<b>Required Lower-Division Courses</b>		
RNSG 1209	Introduction to Nursing	2
RNSG 1301	Pharmacology <sup>1</sup>	3
RNSG 1513	Foundations for Nursing Practice	5
RNSG 1205	Nursing Skills I	2
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RNSG 2260	Clinical - Pediatrics/Maternal/Infant	2
RNSG 1343	Complex Concepts of Adult Health	3
RNSG 2361	Clinical - Complex Medical Surgical	3

RNSG 2331	Advanced Concepts of Adult Health	3
RNSG 2163	Clinical IV	1
RNSG 2221	Professional Nursing: Leadership and Management	2
RNSG 2363	Clinical V	3
BIOL 2420 or BIOL 2421	Microbiology for Non-Science Majors Microbiology for Science Majors	4
<b>Required Upper-Division Courses</b>		
NURS 3370	Professional Development and Inter-professional Collaboration	3
NURS 3302	Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Healthcare	3
NURS 3304	Holistic Assessment Across the Lifespan	3
NURS 3312	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 3401	Population Focused Community Health Care	4
NURS 3102	Population Focused Community Health Care - Clinical	1
NURS 3310	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Research	3
NURS 3320	Public and Global Health Policy	3
NURS 3408	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	4
NURS 3108	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing - Clinical	1
NURS 3301	Nursing Capstone - Capstone	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup> Or RNSG 1300 Health Assessment Across the Lifespan in lieu of RNSG 1301

- One Year Course Sequence - Full-Time Track Fall Admission
- One Year Course Sequence - Full-Time Track Spring Admission
- 18-Month Course Sequence - Part-Time Track Fall Admission
- 18-Month Course Sequence - Part-Time Track Spring Admission

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## One Year Course Sequence- Full-Time Track Fall Admission

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3370	Professional Development and Inter-professional Collaboration	3
NURS 3302	Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Healthcare	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Second Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3304	Holistic Assessment Across the Lifespan	3

NURS 3310	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Research	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Third Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3401	Population Focused Community Health Care	4
NURS 3102	Population Focused Community Health Care - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Fourth Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3312	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 3320	Public and Global Health Policy	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Fifth Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3408	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	4
NURS 3108	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Sixth Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3301	Nursing Capstone - Capstone	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31</b>

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## One Year Course Sequence- Full-Time Track Spring Admission

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3370	Professional Development and Inter-professional Collaboration	3
NURS 3302	Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Healthcare	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Second Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3304	Holistic Assessment Across the Lifespan	3
NURS 3310	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Research	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Third Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3401	Population Focused Community Health Care	4
NURS 3102	Population Focused Community Health Care - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Fourth Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3312	Nursing Informatics	3
NURS 3320	Public and Global Health Policy	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Fifth Semester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3408	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	4
NURS 3108	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>

<b>Sixth Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3301	Nursing Capstone - Capstone	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31</b>

## 18-Month Course Sequence- Part-Time Track Fall Admission

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Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3370	Professional Development and Inter-professional Collaboration	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Second Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3304	Holistic Assessment Across the Lifespan	3
NURS 3310	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Research	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Third Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3401	Population Focused Community Health Care	4
NURS 3102	Population Focused Community Health Care - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Fourth Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3312	Nursing Informatics	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Fifth Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3408	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	4
NURS 3108	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Sixth Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3320	Public and Global Health Policy	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Seventh Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3302	Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Healthcare	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Eighth Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3301	Nursing Capstone - Capstone	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31</b>

## 18-Month Course Sequence- Part-Time Track Spring Admission

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Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3370	Professional Development and Inter-professional Collaboration	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Second Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3304	Holistic Assessment Across the Lifespan	3

NURS 3310	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Research	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Third Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3401	Population Focused Community Health Care	4
NURS 3102	Population Focused Community Health Care - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Fourth Minimester (Summer)</b>		
NURS 3312	Nursing Informatics	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Fifth Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3408	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	4
NURS 3108	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing - Clinical	1
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Sixth Minimester (Fall)</b>		
NURS 3320	Public and Global Health Policy	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Seventh Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3302	Contemporary Issues in Nursing and Healthcare	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Eighth Minimester (Spring)</b>		
NURS 3301	Nursing Capstone - Capstone	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>31</b>