# RN to BSN Completion Program Bachelor of Science in Nursing

### College of Health & Human Services

### **Achieve Your Professional Dreams and Goals**

GSU Nursing programs prepare nurse leaders who address the challenges of local, regional, national and global healthcare reform. Our nursing programs focus on providing quality, holistic care, creating healing environments and building caring communities. The GSU nursing faculty includes Advanced Practice Nurses, seasoned educators and doctorally-prepared researchers who provide students with an exceptional educational experience.

### The Difference a Degree Can Make

A Bachelor of Science in Nursing expands your knowledge of the art, science and practice of nursing as you build on your qualifications and advance your career. If you're an RN with an associate degree or diploma in nursing and an active RN license, consider GSU's online RN to BSN Completion Program.

### **Built for You – the Working Nurse**

The RN to BSN Completion Program is offered in a manner that considers the needs of the working nurse. Our program is delivered through dynamic online classes. The degree can be accomplished in three terms.

Both the undergraduate and master's nursing programs are accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing. The RN to BSN Completion Program also incorporates the latest recommendations of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing.

### **Next Step!**

Take the next step in your career.

- Visit the Apply Online page of the GSU website: <a href="https://applynow.govst.edu/datatel.erecruiting.web.external/Pages/welcome.aspx">https://applynow.govst.edu/datatel.erecruiting.web.external/Pages/welcome.aspx</a>
   Application deadlines:
  - Fall term May 1
  - Spring term October 1
  - Summer term February 1

#### Learn More!

For more information, go to the Department of Nursing website: <a href="www.govst.edu/dn;">www.govst.edu/dn;</a> call 708.534.4040; or email the Department of Nursing at <a href="www.govst.edu">NursingAdvisor@govst.edu</a>. Nursing courses begin in the Fall and Spring semesters.

### **FACT**

Nurses must be prepared to meet diverse patient needs; function as leaders; and advance science that benefits patients and the capacity of health professionals to deliver safe, quality patient care. (Source: The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health, Institute of Medicine, 2010.)



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### **Accreditation**

The RN to BSN Program is accredited by the: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing 3343 Peachtree Road NE / Suite 850 Atlanta, GA 30326

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### **Program Admission Requirements**

In addition to meeting university admissions criteria, applicants must:

- Have earned an associate's degree in nursing or have graduated from a diploma nursing program;
- 2. Be currently licensed as a registered professional

### **Application Statement**

Individuals who recently graduated from an associate's degree nursing program and are in the process of obtaining a Registered Nurse license may be admitted conditionally, with the provision that licensure shall be obtained by the end of the first semester of enrollment in order to continue in the program in accordance with policies stated in the Department of Nursing Undergraduate Student Handbook.

Applicants with degrees from countries other than the United States must have their credentials evaluated through the GSU Office of Admissions to determine eligibility for admission. Applicants must assume all responsibility for fees associated with testing. All required credentials must be on file in the Office of Admissions before an applicant can be admitted to the program.

#### I. Degree Requirements: 120 Total Credit Hours:

(30) credit hours transfer from AAS Nursing or Nursing Diploma; (55) credit hours required courses; (35) Upper Division credit hours.

- Students must meet all university requirements for a Bachelor's degree.
- Students must hold an Associate's Degree or a Diploma in Nursing with a GPA of 2.00 or higher;
- Students must be State-Certified Registered Nurses.
- All transfer credit must be completed with a grade of "C" or above. Students receiving a "D" or "F" in upper division courses with the NURS prefix may only repeat two nursing courses before being academically dismissed from the BSN.
- Lower Division courses are numbered 1000 2999;
  Upper Division are numbered 3000 4999.

### II. Required Coursework (55 Hours)

Basic Computer Applications (3)

Statistics (3)

Human Development Life-Span (3)

Humanities Elective (3)

Fine Arts Elective (3)

Diversity or Multicultural Elective (3)

Chemistry with Lab (4) Organic Chemistry (4) Anatomy & Physiology (4) Science Selective (3)

Microbiology (4)

General Sociology (3)

General Psychology (3)

Writing Intensive Elective (3)

Written Composition 1 (3)

Written Composition II (3)

Speech/Oral Communication (3)

### III. Upper-Division Courses (35 hours): Nursing (27) Plus Upper Division (8)

- The following courses must be completed in the order listed.
- When Humanities and Fine Arts are completed at the lower division level, the eight upper division required hours become elective courses. When not completed at the lower division, the upper division courses become (3) Humanities Elective; (3) Fine Arts Elective; (2) Free Elective. The BSN required (55) courses, with the exception of humanities and fine arts, when completed at the upper division level cannot be used to meet the (8) BSN upper division requirement.

NURS 3140 Conceptual Basis for Professional Nursing (3)

NURS 3150 Pathophysiology (3)

**NURS 3170** Basic Nursing Informatics (3)

NURS 3300 Health Assessment (3)

Upper Division Selective (2)

NURS 3160 Gerontological Nursing (3)

NURS 4110 Evidence-Based Research (3)

Upper Division Humanity or Selective (3)

NURS 4120 Public Health Promotion (3)

NURS 4130 Public Health Practicum (3)

**NURS 4501** Leadership for Patient Safety (3)

Upper Division Fine Arts or Selective (3)

Total = 120 Hours

