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Description **The Bachelor of Science in Nursing** is designed to prepare practitioners for professional nursing, help them understand their role in society and prepare them for graduate study. The program emphasizes professional knowledge, skills and compassionate nursing practices. Students begin with courses that demonstrate the core foundations of the nursing profession and its historical roots. The capstone preceptorship exposes students to research and professional-practice concepts that will ensure their abilities to be nurse leaders and healthcare advocates. Throughout the program, students study life-span and cultural diversity issues while applying evidence-based practice to their profession.

The BSN for Registered Nurses, within the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, allows RNs with a diploma or associate degree in nursing to earn a baccalaureate. Although there are basic core courses that nursing programs require, there is a variation among the programs. Upon admission, students receive an individualized education plan to complete the program. Students who have completed the majority of their Kent Core and foundation courses may be able to complete their nursing courses in an accelerated manner. This program is available online only.

The Combined Bachelor of Science/Master of Science in Nursing Program

An accelerated combined degree program for undergraduate KSU nursing students who have complete 60 semester hours and meet the GPA requirements delineated in Combined Baccalaureate/Master's for Degree students early in their undergraduate studies. Qualified students may apply for guest admission into the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program of choice and gaining approval from the appropriate graduate faculty program director. Plan of substituting selected master's core courses for selected undergraduate courses should be carefully worked out with the faculty advisor. Following graduation and passing the state licensing examination (NCLEX-RN), students' MSN application may be activated for admission into the selected master's program.

Career Opportunities As the largest healthcare occupation, registered nurses held about 2.6 million jobs in 2008. Hospitals employed the majority of RNs, with 60 percent of such jobs. About 8 percent of jobs were in offices of physicians, 5 percent in home healthcare services, 5 percent in nursing care facilities, and 3 percent in employment services. The remainder worked mostly in government agencies, social assistance agencies, and educational services.

Admission Requirements **Freshman Students:** Admission to pre-nursing requires the completion of high school math, biology, and chemistry. In addition, students should have at least a 2.7 cumulative high school grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) AND minimum ACT composite and science reasoning scores of 22 (or an SAT combined critical reading+math score of 1020). Students with an ACT composite score of 21 (SAT combined critical reading+math score of 980) need a 3.0 high school grade point average; those with an ACT composite score of 20 (SAT combined critical reading+math score of 940) need a 3.3 cumulative high school grade point average.

Transfer Students: All transfer applications to the College of Nursing must submit both college and high school transcripts to the admissions office. Sophomore sequence admission takes place in both fall and spring semesters. Consideration will be given to applicants who have at least a 2.75 GPA, both as a cumulative average and in the first-year sciences (Structure and Function, Basic Microbiology, Fundamentals of Chemistry, Organic Chemistry), based on 30 semester hours of college-level coursework. Students should contact the College of Nursing regarding special information and deadlines by calling 330-672-7911.

Graduation Requirements Minimum 122 total credit hours and 39 upper-division hours for graduation. Minimum 2.000 GPA overall and 2.000 GPA in major required for graduation.

Study Abroad/Away Opportunities There are many study abroad/away opportunities, for more information contact the [Office of International Affairs](#).

Program Fee **B.S.N. Nursing:** \$75/semester

Accreditation Ohio Board of Nursing, State of Ohio Board of Nursing

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