The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree is designed as a cap-stone degree completion program only for nurses who hold unrestricted license as a Registered Nurse in their own home state. The program is evidence-based, utilizing a state of the art online learning system, to provide learning opportunities in the most flexible and convenient way. The program consists of advanced clinical topics as well as leadership topics with a Christian perspective. This program is a single track Bachelor's Degree in Nursing, designed for currently active Registered Nurses seeking to obtain their four year degree consisting of 48 hours of professional course work and a component of general education and biblical studies. The program is delivered completely online to give students maximum flexibility in their degree, while completing the course of study in about two years.

Upon completion of this program students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge and clinical competence in performing a complete health assessment, determining the pathology and disease management options.
2. Demonstrate knowledge and competence in addressing geriatric population needs.
3. Demonstrate competence in assessing the health needs of a defined community.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of theories of nursing and their applicability to practice.
5. Demonstrate understanding of the research process and ability to seek for evidence of best practice.
6. Demonstrate understanding of current issues and trends in health care.
7. Demonstrate proficiency in providing culturally competent care and contributing as an effective team member of a diverse workforce.
8. Demonstrate knowledge and competence in crisis management.
9. Demonstrate knowledge of management and leadership theories.
10. Identify an opportunity for improvement and complete a process improvement project utilizing knowledge and strategies learned throughout the program.

Additional Program Stipulations

1. Transferable general education courses with a grade of “C” or better.
2. Transferable nursing courses with a grade of “C” or better.
3. Fully online program.
4. Applicant transcripts evaluated individually.
5. Students must attend specific orientation at the beginning of the program.

Students may apply for experiential learning credit via APS 3313 (up to a maximum of 30 credits).

1. Certification credit (up to 18 credits)
   a. Full time work experience in nursing (up to 12 credits)
   b. Current certification/credential in specialized nursing practice awarded by professional healthcare and/or nursing organizations, such as ANCC, AACN, ENA, ONS, etc. (up to 6 credits)

2. Challenge Credits
   a. Providing evidence of competency for 6 nursing courses (up to 19 credits)
      Health Assessment
      Role Transition
      Health Care Informatics and Quality Improvement
      Community Health Nursing
      Community Health Project
      Leadership and Management of Health Care
   b. Other catalog curricula which may fit the degree, such as business courses.