



Continue Your Education

- This **completion program** meets the needs of the working RN to become a nurse at the baccalaureate level.
- The **two path system** and courses offered **online** creates **flexibility for adult learners**.
- Students will be able to take three to four courses per semester each in a five-week block, with the exception of one ten-week clinical course.

Is This Program For You?

The mission of the RN-to-BSN Nursing Program is to educate nurses to serve clients, health care systems, and the profession of nursing by leading and managing care and contributing to advancement of the profession. The learning environment educates the baccalaureate nurse generalist to build on previous learning and is characterized by personalization, collaboration, and integration of technology that promotes lifelong student learning, pursuit of graduate studies, and development as a professional nurse. Students will engage in scholarship that supports the development of critical thinking, creative problem solving, and innovative leadership in care delivery. Students will embrace professionalism and professional values in the care of individuals and populations across diverse cultures, ages, and environments.

Program goals:

1. Prepare nurses to fulfill baccalaureate nursing leadership roles within the complex health care system, who consistently embody professional values.
2. Provide a foundation that encourages ongoing education and prepares for advanced nursing degrees.
3. Promote among graduates a commitment to addressing the health care needs of the citizens of North Dakota.
4. Recruit and retain qualified and diverse students committed to academic excellence and professional development.
5. Recruit and retain qualified faculty who contribute to the university, the profession, and other arenas through activities associated with education, service and scholarly endeavors.
6. Implement educational strategies and practices conducive to the personal and professional development of students.

The Program

The program is developed to provide an education that will enable the graduates to experience and achieve the elements of baccalaureate nursing practice as presented in the Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Building on a foundation of the liberal arts, the graduate will:

1. Provide leadership within the complex health care system that integrates an understanding of organizational systems and the internal and external forces that impact them.
2. Engage in evidence-based practice as a means of enhancing the quality of patient care.
3. Use information technologies to improve patient care outcomes and the environments in which patient care occurs.
4. Engage in culturally-appropriate approaches that promote health and prevent disease and injury in diverse populations as found in community-based settings.
5. Develop collaborative relationships both inter- and intra-professionally, that enable the nurse to effectively advocate for patients, the nursing profession, and the health care system.
6. Model professionalism based on a foundation of personal values, ethical principles, and the nursing profession's values and standards.

Vision of the Nursing Program

Through professional preparation, interprofessional collaboration, and advanced nursing education, the vision of the nursing program is to be known for continuing academic excellence, positively impacting the health of individuals and populations across diverse cultures, ages, and environments thereby advancing nursing knowledge and responsiveness.

Accreditation



The baccalaureate degree in nursing program at Mayville State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.ccneaccreditation.org). Officially recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education as a national accreditation agency, the CCNE is an autonomous accrediting agency, contributing to the improvement of the public's health. CCNE ensures the quality and integrity of baccalaureate, graduate, and residency programs in nursing.

Requirements for Admission

- Admission to Mayville State University
- Completion of the RN-to-BSN Program application
- Earned nursing degree leading to RN licensure from a regionally accredited institution
 - Active unencumbered RN licensure required throughout program enrollment
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale
- Submit official transcripts from previous institutions attended
- Two letters of reference addressing clinical competence and integrity
- Required after program admission:
 - Criminal history record check clearance
 - Proof of immunization
 - Current American Heart Association Healthcare Provider (BLS) CPR certification
- Admission Deadlines:
 - Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis
 - Priority consideration will be given to applications received by March 1st for fall semester and October 1st for spring semester

Nursing - RN-to-BSN

Degree Requirements

A minimum of 120 SH credits are required by Mayville State University to earn a baccalaureate degree.

- Minimum of 60 SH credits awarded for completion of nursing degree leading to RN licensure from a regionally accredited institution.
 - Must meet MSU Essential Studies (General Education) requirements
 - Other credits, including essential studies courses, may transfer from prior degrees or additional approved course work
 - Students must earn a minimum of 30 SH credits from MSU to meet the residency requirement
- Minimum of 36 SH upper division (300/400 level) credits required.
 - 28 SH credits RN-to-BSN core courses
 - 8 SH credits upper division non-nursing courses
 - 3 SH credits statistics course
 - 5 SH credits elective courses
- RN-to-BSN core courses, statistics and elective credits can be completed in as few as 12 months.
 - Two plans of study are available: full-time 12 month and part-time 24 month options
 - Nursing core courses are offered in 5-week blocks with the exception of one 10-week clinical course to allow the student to focus on one to two courses at a time
 - All other non-nursing courses are scheduled across the entire semester
- Students are encouraged to work with the financial aid department to ensure that they are registered for the appropriate number of credits per semester for their individual financial aid and/or scholarship award.



Nursing Program Requirements

The required curriculum for the nursing major is comprised of nine core nursing courses in addition to a statistics course.

NURS 310	Health Care Informatics and Technologies	(2 SH credits)
NURS 350	Baccalaureate Role Development: Provider of Care, Manager of Care, and Member of a Profession	(3 SH credits)
NURS 360	Holistic Health Assessment Across the Lifespan	(4 SH credits)
NURS 370	Evidence-based Practice	(3 SH credits)
NURS 441	Population-focused and Community-based Nursing Care: I	(4 SH credits)
NURS 442	Population-focused and Community-based Nursing Care: II	(2 SH credits)
NURS 450	Issues in the Health Care System: Focus on Rural Health	(3 SH credits)
NURS 460	Ethical Dilemmas in Health Care: A Focus on Vulnerable Populations & End-of-Life	(3 SH credits)
NURS 470	Nursing Leadership	(4 SH credits)

Options for courses in Statistics

BUSN 416	Business Statistics & Research	(3 SH credits)
MATH 323	Probability & Statistics	(3 SH credits)
PSYC 310	Statistics for the Social Sciences	(3 SH credits)

There are 12 SH credits offered in each semester, making students full-time and eligible for financial aid. The student may enroll in additional Essential Studies (General Education) courses as needed.

Value

The combination of MSU's affordability and its unique offerings make it a Best Regional College, as designated by the Princeton Review. This selection process is based on meeting criteria for academic excellence as well as results of surveys done by current MSU students.