# Online Bachelor of Science In Nursing RN to BSN

Offered by the UTEP College of Nursing

# **Program Highlights**

120 credit hours
In-state tuition: \$336.12/credit hour\*
Out-of-state tuition: \$336.12/credit hour\*

\* Tuition is based on 2023-2024 rates and is subject to change.

- Convenient and 100% online for maximum flexibility
- Developed specifically for working nurses and offered by UTEP's College of Nursing
- Highly competitive with no statistics requirement
- Ranked in the top 20 most affordable RN to BSN programs by BestValueSchools.com
- Accredited by the Collegiate Commission on Nursing Education (CCNE)
- Fast-paced and can be completed in as few as 12 months; nursing program courses are taken one at a time for convenience



## Why an RN-BSN?

The AACN (American Association of Colleges of Nursing) recommends that registered nurses (RNs) be prepared with a BSN or the equivalent because RNs with better levels of education have better patient outcomes and are also more qualified for different jobs including those in nursing administration and education.

### **Required Mentorship Component**

Effective Summer 2018, all students enrolled in the RN to BSN program must complete a mentorship component. This additional graduation requirement is the result of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's (AACN) new CCNE accreditation rules and will affect all RN to BSN programs nationwide.



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## **Admissions Requirements**

To qualify for admission to the online RN to BSN program, you must:

- Complete and submit an application to and be fully admitted by the UTEP Office of Admissions
- Hold a minimum overall 2.0 GPA for full university acceptance and submit transcripts from EACH college or university attended to the Office of Admissions

NOTE: All transcripts in languages other than English must be accompanied by a certified English translation by the educational institution, an American Consulate, or a certified English translator. In order to be considered official, academic transcripts must be mailed directly from the issuing institution to UTEP's Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

- Additionally, all applicants must meet the following College of Nursing requirements:
  - Complete all Texas core and/or residency courses before beginning RN-BSN nursing courses
  - Hold an active, unencumbered licensure to practice as a Registered Nurse in the U.S.
  - Have a minimum overall 2.5 GPA for SON acceptance
  - Complete 9 hours of Texas core and/or residency courses at UTEP\* (see information under Curriculum)
  - Complete the Compliance Requirements Checklist (this is completed during the first nursing program course)
    - RN Licensure
    - Criminal background check

#### International students must also submit:

 Official TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) scores

### Curriculum

The minimum requirements for completion of the RN to BSN degree are a total of 30 hours at UTEP, which must include 21 hours of RN to BSN nursing courses and an additional 9 hours to meet minimum residency requirements for graduation. The 9 hours can be met by taking general education courses at UTEP. Some students may need additional general education courses to satisfy the University's graduation requirements.

Advanced Standing Credit will be given for designated courses (TCR) upon successful completion of the first RN to BSN semester. Courses will be awarded TCR based on the nursing license and previous ADN. For more information about the RN to BSN degree plan, please visit <a href="https://www.utep.edu/nursing/">https://www.utep.edu/nursing/</a>

| General Education Courses | 33 semester credit hours   |
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9 of which are awarded Advanced Standing Credit (TCR)

Pre-professional Courses 35 semester credit hours

All pre-professional nursing courses are eligible for Advanced Standing Credit (TCR)

RN to BSN Nursing Courses 43 semester credit hours

22 of which are eligible for Advanced Standing Credit (TCR)

Electives 9 semester credit hours

Total Credits for Degree Completion 120 semester credit hours

#### **RN to BSN Nursing Courses**

NURS 4402 RN to BSN Role Transition

NURS 4303 Nursing Informatics & Technology

NURS 4414 Evidence-Based Research

NURS 4502 Nursing Leadership & Management

NURS 4503 Nursing in the Community

Note: Curriculum is subject to change.



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