



RN-BSN PROGRAM

Trinidad State offers an online RN-BSN program. Students in this program will be assigned a nursing coach to help stay on track within the program. The Leadership course has 22.5 hours of practicum and the community health has 45 hours of practicum. All practicum can be completed in the area the student lives.



MISSION

The mission of the nursing program is to embrace diversity and provide a quality, accessible, enriching educational experience that allows the student to continue lifelong learning utilizing evidence-based practice in the profession of nursing.

The nursing faculty endorses the philosophy, vision, and mission statement of the college and in addition, subscribes to the following beliefs about people and health, nursing, and nursing process, education, and educators, and the teaching/learning process in nursing:

Self-Directed Learning

The Philosophy of the Nursing Program states the belief that the teaching and learning of nursing is both an individual and community enterprise. The teaching-learning process requires an individual to be self-directive and an active participant. A self-directed learner may be defined as a person who identifies their own learning goals, plans their own learning experiences and evaluates their own progress toward achievement of their goals. The Nursing Program faculty members act as consultants, resource or reference persons, and teachers or students. This philosophy allows the student some freedom and flexibility in the teaching-learning process and assists the student in reaching their highest potential. It benefits a student in preparing or a role in nursing for future years regardless of what that role may be.

RN-BSN PROGRAM ADVANTAGES:

- ✓ Personal nursing coach to guide you through the program
- ✓ Ability to complete the practicum where you live
- ✓ Affordable
- ✓ Various BSN Electives
- ✓ Out-of-State tuition same as in-state for the NUR 300 and 400 courses

100% ONLINE

ACADEMIC INFORMATION FOR RN-BSN

Trinidad State's RN-BSN is designed for students who have graduated from an associate degree or diploma nursing program and wish to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. Students must have a current unencumbered RN License without public discipline prior to enrollment. Students may begin RN-BSN courses in Fall, Spring, or Summer semesters if there is sufficient enrollment. Students can choose between full-time or part-time completion options (the first cohort will have to be in the program for 1.5 years to allow for the full accreditation cycle to be completed).

For admission into the program, please do the following:

1. Apply to Trinidad State at <https://trinidadstate.edu> APPLY NOW (no cost)
2. Apply to TS BSN Program <https://form.jotform.com/TSJCNursing/bsn> (no cost)
 - a. A checklist will be emailed to the student immediately with directions to:
 - i. Send verification of Associate or Diploma degree from a regional accredited school.
 - ii. Send verification of an unencumbered RN license.
 - iii. Out-of-state students should be aware of restrictions that may exist for TS to provide education to them. In addition, Trinidad State must be authorized by the State Board of Nursing in the student's state of residence in order to provide instruction. Out-of-state students should also familiarize themselves with TS's tuition rate for their residency. For more information please contact us, visit <http://nc-sara.org>, and contact your State Board of Nursing.
 - iv. Criminal background checks and urine drug screens must be successfully completed prior to be accepted into the program. The background check and urine drug screen will need to be repeated if they are over a year old before enrolling in NUR 409 and/or NUR410. Depending on the practicum sites that the student attends, proof of up to date immunizations might be required.
 - v. Fill out PART A of the degree plan and send it in for verification.
 1. Up to 89.5 credits will be transferred in towards the BSN. Transfer credits must be equivalent to courses within the TS BSN Plan of Study.
 2. A transfer grade has to be a "C" or higher to transfer into Trinidad State.
 3. Students may complete the Non-nursing courses while in the BSN program. Statistics must be completed prior to the NUR 303 course. Non-nursing courses include courses outside of the NUR prefix such as general studies and electives. These non-nursing courses can be completed at a regionally accredited institution concurrently and transferred into Trinidad State.
 4. At least 30.5 credits of the BSN must be earned at Trinidad State.



ACADEMIC INFORMATION FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT BSN

For admission into the program, please do the following:

1. Apply to Trinidad State at <https://trinidadstate.edu> APPLY NOW (no cost)
2. Apply to TS BSN Program <https://form.jotform.com/TSJCNursing/bsn> (no cost)
 - a. A checklist will be emailed to the student immediately with directions
 - i. Applicants to the Trinidad State BSN program must have successfully completed their first semester of their Associate or Diploma Nursing program.
 - ii. The applicant must be a licensed registered nurse in good standing with the Board of Nursing prior to registering for NUR 409 and/or NUR 410.
 - iii. Criminal background checks and urine drug screens must be successfully completed prior to be accepted into the program. The background check and urine drug screen will need to be repeated if they are over a year old before enrolling in NUR 409 and/or NUR410. Depending on the practicum sites that the student attends, proof of up to date immunizations might be required.
 - iv. Out-of-state students should be aware of restrictions that may exist for Trinidad State to provide education to them. In addition, Trinidad State must be authorized by the State Board of Nursing in the student's state of residence in order to provide instruction. Out-of-state students should also familiarize themselves with TS's tuition rate for their residency. For more information please contact us, visit <http://nc-sara.org>, and contact your State Board of Nursing.
 - v. Fill out PART A of the degree plan and send it in for verification.
 1. Up to 89.5 credits will be transferred in towards the BSN. Transfer credits must be equivalent to courses within the Trinidad State BSN Plan of Study.
 2. A transfer grade has to be a "C" or higher to transfer into Trinidad State.
 3. Students may complete the Non-nursing courses while in the BSN program. Statistics must be completed prior to the NUR 303 course. Non-nursing courses include courses outside of the NUR prefix such as general studies and electives. These non-nursing courses can be completed at a regionally accredited institution concurrently and transferred into Trinidad State.
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PROGRAM OUTCOME STATEMENT

The RN to BSN program at Trinidad State will educate students about the nursing role relating to a Baccalaureate nursing graduate which include: member of the profession; provider of Patient-Centered Care; Patient Safety Advocacy; and member of the health care team. The students will demonstrate responsibility for continued competence. They will promote the practice of professional nursing through leadership activities and advocacy. The students will provide safe and compassionate care, plans of care, and teaching plans to families, populations, and communities through many health care services. The students will use a systematic problem-solving process in the care of their patients and families based on the liberal arts, science, and evidence-based practice outcomes and research studies.

NURSING PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (PSLO)

The five program student learning outcomes are:

- 1. Quality care**
Apply research to promote best practice and use data to monitor the outcomes of care processes while using improvement methods to design and test changes to continuously improve the quality and safety of health care systems and deliver quality care to individuals, and diverse populations.
- 2. Professionalism**
Demonstrate an enhanced commitment to professionalism that embraces excellence, caring, legal and ethical practice, civility, and accountability.
- 3. Communication**
Model effective communication and collaboration with colleagues/interdisciplinary groups and members of the community to promote health, safety and well-being.
- 4. Leadership**
Apply principles of leadership, and knowledge of quality improvement and organizational systems in designing, managing and coordinating safe, quality, and cost-effective patient-centered care.
- 5. Critical thinking/Practicum reasoning**
Utilize a systematic process of critical inquiry using nursing, natural and behavioral sciences, humanities and arts to make evidence-based practice decisions that improve the nursing care of individuals, families, groups, and communities.



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TRINIDAD STATE RN-BSN PLAN OF STUDY

ENG 121	English Composition	3	
ENG 122	English Composition II	3	
PSY 235	Growth & Development	3	
BIO 201	Anatomy & Physiology I	4	
BIO 202	Anatomy & Physiology II	4	
HWE 100	Nutrition	3	
BIO 216	Pathophysiology	4	
SOC 101	General Sociology	3	GT-AH1, 2, 3 or 4 <u>OR</u> GT-HI1 <u>OR</u> GT-SS1, 2 or 3 (3 credits)
PSY 101	General Psychology	3	GT-AH1, 2, 3 or 4 <u>OR</u> GT-HI1 <u>OR</u> GT-SS1, 2 or 3 (3 credits)
MAT 135	Statistics	3	
HIS 101	Western Civ: Antiquity	3	HI-1
ART 110	Art Appreciation	3	GT-AH1, 2, 3 or 4 (3 credits)
	Electives (higher sciences preferred)	8	However, can be GT or CTE classes.
	Total of General Education Courses	47	
NUR 109	Fundamentals of Nursing	6	
NUR 112	Basic Pharmacology	2	
NUR 106	Medical/Surgical Nursing Concepts	7	
NUR 150	Care of Obstetric & Pediatric Clients	6	
NUR 206	Adv. Concepts of Surgical Nursing I	6.5	
NUR 212	Pharmacology II	2	
NUR 211	Nursing Care of Psychiatric Clients	4	
NUR 216	Adv. Concepts of Surgical Nursing II	5	
NUR 230	Leadership, Management & Trends	4	42.5 credits from Associate of Nursing 750 practicum hours included.
NUR 301	Integration to BSN	3	
NUR 302	Trends in Nursing Practice	3	
NUR 303	Research/ Evidence Based Practice	3	
NUR 304	Informatics	3	304-307 Must pick 2**
NUR 305	Emergency Preparedness	3	**
NUR 306	Gerontology		3**
NUR 307	Behavioral		3**
NUR 408	Legal/ethical	3	
NUR 409	Leadership in Nursing Practice	3.5	22.5 hour practicum/practicum included.
NUR 410	Community Health	6	45 hour practicum/practicum included
NUR411	Seminar	3	
Total		120	

