



BSN@Home (RN-to-BSN)

Registered nurses who hold an Associate's Degree in Nursing (ADN) or Diploma in Nursing and wish to earn a baccalaureate degree can complete the UW–Madison RN-to-BSN (BSN@Home) program.

BSN Completion Benefits

While an Associate's Degree in Nursing provides much of the technical and scientific knowledge necessary for safe and effective patient care, the BSN@Home program builds upon those skills in a way that stimulates critical thinking and provides the professional perspective necessary for management or leadership roles. A bachelor's degree can also lead to greater career opportunities, as many employers prefer to hire nurses with higher degrees.

Flexible Degree Program

BSN@Home is a part-time program designed for working adults. Almost all required coursework is completed online. The program runs on a traditional semester system (fall, spring; summer is optional) with 7 week courses available as well. There is one required clinical, at the end of the program, which requires students to complete approximately 60 hours at a site of their choice.

Selecting a Home Institution

The UW–Madison School of Nursing is one of six UW System campuses offering the BSN@Home Program. Students typically select their home institution based on proximity or choice. All BSN@Home students are required to complete the same core nursing curriculum, but specific admission and degree requirements vary among campuses. Further information about each institution is available on the statewide BSN@Home website (bsnathome.com).

Length of Program and Cost

Students who have completed most general education requirements prior to admission will typically move through the BSN@Home program in 2–2.5 years. Students must complete a minimum of 30 UW–Madison credits to earn their BSN. The cost is \$452 per credit, regardless of residency.

UW–Madison BSN@Home Admission Requirements

BSN@Home applications are reviewed by the UW–Madison Office of Admissions and Recruitment. Candidates are evaluated on both high school and college records. There is no additional application required for this program. Once you are admitted to the University, you are admitted to the BSN@Home program. You should either apply as a transfer or second degree student. Students who have previously attended UW–Madison as a degree-seeking student, but did not finish their bachelor's degree should submit a reentry application. More information is at admissions.wisc.edu. Students must have:

- 24 transferable (college level credits)
- 2.5 GPA in all college level coursework
- Completed high school requirements during high school or at the college level:
 - 2 years of a high school foreign language or 2 semesters of a college foreign language
 - 3 years of high school math including Algebra, Geometry & College Prep math (or similar courses at the college level)

Application Process and Time Line

Students can start in fall or spring terms. Students must complete the UW–Madison Application for Admission indicating Nursing Collaborative Program/BSN@Home as the intended major. The fall application deadline is March 1. The spring application deadline is October 1. There is no supplemental nursing application. Both applications open up for students on August 1. Students must submit these required materials to the office of admissions:

- Admissions application - apply.wisconsin.edu
 - Includes two essays where you should highlight your passion for nursing and leadership skills
- Application fee - \$60
- High School transcripts or GED/HSED
- Official college transcripts from all institutions attended
- Letter of recommendation from a supervisor or instructor

Scholarships and Financial Aid

The School of Nursing awards more than \$400,000 in scholarships each year to undergraduate students. Awards are based on both academic merit and financial need. Need-based aid is also available to students taking at least 6 credits per semester.

Transcript reviews

The School of Nursing will review transcripts of interested applicant to estimate the number of transferable credits. You can email unofficial transcripts to bsn.at.home@nursing.wisc.edu



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BSN@Home Degree Requirements

The BSN@Home program is built upon the foundation of an Associate’s Degree in Nursing. Students complete a minimum of 120 credits, with 75 of them being at the Intermediate or Advanced level and at least 30 credits through UW Madison.

1	24–30 credits	Prior Learning Nursing Credits	Awarded to students in recognition of the ADN. Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) graduates who graduated 1996 and thereafter will receive 30 credits. All others receive 24 credits.
2	24-30 credits	Nursing Credits	Via UW–Madison’s BSN@Home program: - CNP 306 Transitions: Practice, Professional, Personal, 3 cr - CNP 407 Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice, 3 cr - CNP 441 Chronic Care Management, 3 cr - CNP 446 Nursing Research & Evidence–Based Practice, 3 cr - CNP 447 Leadership & Management, 3 cr - CNP 453 Information & Health Technology, 3 cr - CNP 454 Community Health Nursing, 3 cr - CNP 519 Capstone Clinical, 3 cr
3	14 credits	Science	Chemistry, Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology
4	22 credits	Humanities and Social Studies	Includes Intro Sociology, Intro Psychology, a Growth and Development course, 6 credits humanities, 7 credits humanities or social studies
5	3 credits	Ethnic Studies	A course studying the culture and contributions of persistently marginalized racial or ethnic groups in the United States. Can also count as a Humanities/Social Science.
6	6 credits	Communications Part A & B	English composition classes that includes literacy components in information literacy, as well as in written and oral communications
7	3 credits	Quantitative Reasoning A	QR-A classes cover basic quantitative reasoning. This is typically a College Algebra or Quantative Reasoning course.
8	3 credits	Quantitative Reasoning Part B	QR-B classes enhance quantitative reasoning proficiency. Courses that satisfy this requirement are offered in a variety of fields of study (e.g., statistics, economics)
9	15-21 credits	Non-Nursing Electives	Enough elective credits to reach a total of 120 degree credits (75 of which must be at Intermediate Level)
TOTAL: 120 CREDITS			

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