# **NURSING FOR RNS: POST LICENSURE & MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING:** NURSING INFORMATICS (B.S.N. TO M.S.N.) - ONLINE

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

### **General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours	
Communication & Information Literacy <sup>1</sup>			
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3	
Communications	Communications Elective		
Information Literacy Elective		3	
Information Liter	acy Elective	3	
Technological Sc	lutions & Quantitative Reasoning <sup>1</sup>		
UNIV 104	Instructional Technology for Successful Online Learning	0-3	
Math Elective	MATH 114 or higher	3	
<b>Critical Thinking</b>			
RLGN 104	Christian Life and Biblical Worldview <sup>2</sup>	4	
Critical Thinking	Elective	3	
Civic & Global Engagement <sup>1</sup>			
Cultural Studies Elective			
Social & Scientific Inquiry <sup>1</sup>			
Natural Science Elective		3	
Social Science Elective		3	
Christianity & Contexts <sup>1</sup>			
BIBL 104	Survey of Old and New Testament	4	
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey <sup>2</sup>	4	
Total Hours		39-42	

Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements

Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirement of RLGN 104 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirement of THEO 104 waived

# **Major Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours
BSN for RN's - Po	st-Licensure Major Foundational Courses	
BIOL 204	Microbiology for Health Professionals <sup>1,2</sup>	4
BIOL 213	Human Anatomy and Physiology I <sup>1,2,3</sup>	3
BIOL 214	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab <sup>1,2,3</sup>	1
BIOL 215	Human Anatomy and Physiology II <sup>1,2,3</sup>	3

Code	Title	Hours
BIOL 216	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab <sup>1,2,3</sup>	1
CHEM 108	Chemistry for Health Science Professionals <sup>1,2</sup>	4
MATH 202	Professional Statistics <sup>1,2</sup>	3
PHIL 380	Biomedical Ethics <sup>1,2</sup>	3
PSYC 101	General Psychology <sup>1,2</sup>	3
PSYC 210	Developmental Psychology <sup>1,2</sup>	3
Total Hours		28

Courses may also fulfill select General Education Requirements. Please refer to the list of approved general education electives at general education requirements 2

Minimum grade of "C" is required

3 Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) Credit will be given for BIOL 213, BIOL 214, BIOL 215, and BIOL 216 for RN students with a current & active Nursing License

Code	Title	Hours	
BSN for RN's - Post-Licensure Major Core			
NURS 105	Medical Terminology <sup>1</sup>	1	
NURS 211	Post-Licensure Health Assessment <sup>2</sup>	3	
NURS 215	Post-licensure Pathophysiology <sup>2</sup>	3	
NURS 220	Advanced Nursing Communication <sup>3</sup>	3	
NURS 221	Fundamentals in Nursing <sup>1</sup>	4	
NURS 301	Strategies for Adult Health Care I $^{ m 1}$	5	
NURS 302	Strategies for Adult Health Care II <sup>1</sup>	5	
NURS 305	Pharmacology <sup>1</sup>	2	
NURS 306	Pharmacology II <sup>1</sup>	2	
NURS 325	Nursing Concepts	3	
NURS 352	Caring for the Childbearing Family I $^{1}$	4	
NURS 353	Caring for the Childbearing Family II <sup>1</sup>	4	
NURS 440	Post-licensure Strategies for Community Health Care	4	
NURS 460	Advanced Strategies for Adult Health Care <sup>1</sup>	4	
NURS 489	Leadership in Nursing	3	
NURS 491	Nursing Management	3	
NURS 492	Advanced Concepts of Nursing Practice <sup>4</sup>	3	
NURS 500	Research <sup>4,5</sup>	3	
NURS 503	Managing Population Health <sup>4,6</sup>	3	
Total Hours		62	

These courses will be satisfied automatically for RNs

Minimum grade of "C" is required

3 NURS 220 requires a background check as a course assignment and must be taken as the first Nursing course to help set a foundation for the remaining Nursing coursework

4 Students must complete NURS 500 and NURS 503 prior to NURS 492

5 If this course is not successfully completed (B- or better), the student will need to take NURS 226 as a prerequisite prior to repeating **NURS 500** 

 $^{6}\,$  If this course is not successfully completed (B- or better), the student will need to take NURS 446 as a prerequisite prior to repeating **NURS 503** 

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Code	Title	Hours
BSN for RN	's - Post-Licensure Free Elective	s <sup>1</sup>
Choose 0-4	credit hours of Free Electives	0-4
Total Hours	5	0-4

<sup>1</sup> NURS 316 or NURS 415 is highly recommended

Code	Title	Hours
MSN - Nursing Informatics Concentration		
HLTH 501	Biostatistics	3
HLTH 503	Principles of Epidemiology	3
INFO 668	Health Data Analytics and Decision-Making	3
NURS 501	Health Policy and Ethics	3
NURS 502	Nursing Theory and Advanced Practice	3
NURS 521	Nursing Issues, Informatics and Technology	3
NURS 523	Financial and Resource Management for Nurse Leaders	3
NURS 524	Systems Management and Leadership for Nurse Leaders	e 3
NURS 527	School of Nursing MSN Practicum Gate	0
NURS 635	Nursing Informatics Data Management <sup>1,2</sup>	3
NURS 636	Nursing Informatics Capstone <sup>1,2</sup>	3
Elective <sup>3</sup>		3
Total Hours		33

<sup>1</sup> Students must complete a background check prior to enrollment in NURS 635 & NURS 636 for completion of practice experience

- <sup>2</sup> NURS 635 & NURS 636 involve a practice learning experience [Nurse Informatics -200 hours]
- <sup>3</sup> Choose any 500-600 level course

All applicable prerequisites must be met

## **Graduation Requirements**

- Complete 153 hours
- 120 credit hours must be 100-400 level courses (NURS 500 & NURS 503 included)
- 3.0 overall GPA required for undergraduate degree
- 3.0 overall GPA required for **graduate** degree
- 30 credit hours of undergraduate courses must be upper-level (300-400 level)
- Grade of "C" minimum required for all undergraduate courses in the major
- Grade of "B-" or higher required for all graduate courses, including NURS 500 and NURS 503
- · 50% of Graduate Concentration taken through Liberty University
- 46% of the undergraduate courses in majors must be taken through Liberty University
- 30 credit hours of undergraduate courses must be taken through Liberty University
- Nursing courses taken through Liberty University which are more than **5 years** old may not be applied towards this degree. Students are required to repeat the course if it has exceeded the age limit
- · Degree must be completed within 5 years

 Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

#### **Course Sequence**

	Title	Houro
Course First Year	litle	Hours
First Year First Semester		
BIBL 104	Survey of Old and New Testament	4
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
UNIV 104	Instructional Technology for Successful	0-3
	Online Learning	
Communication		3
NURS 220	Advanced Nursing Communication <sup>2</sup>	3
	Hours	13-16
Second Semeste	-	
CHEM 108	Chemistry for Health Science Professionals 3	4
Information Lite	racy Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
Math Elective (M	1ATH 202 <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
Social Science E	Elective (PSYC 101 <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
	Hours	13
Second Year		
First Semester		
Natural Science	Elective (BIOL 204 <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
NURS 211	Post-Licensure Health Assessment <sup>3</sup>	3
NURS 215	Post-licensure Pathophysiology <sup>3</sup>	3
NURS 500	Research <sup>4</sup>	3
	Hours	12
Second Semeste	er	
RLGN 104	Christian Life and Biblical Worldview	4
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey	4
NURS 503	Managing Population Health <sup>5</sup>	3
NURS 325	Nursing Concepts	3
	Hours	14
Third Year		
First Semester	1	
Information Lite		3
NURS 440	Post-licensure Strategies for Community Health Care	3
NURS 489	Leadership in Nursing	3
NURS 491	Nursing Management	3
	Hours	12
Second Semeste	-	
PSYC 210	Developmental Psychology <sup>3</sup>	3
	Elective (PHIL 380 <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
Cultural Studies	Elective	3
NURS 492	Advanced Concepts of Nursing Practice	3
	Hours	12
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
NURS 501	Health Policy and Ethics	3
NURS 502	Nursing Theory and Advanced Practice	3
	Hours	6

Course	Title	Hours
Second Semeste	r	
HLTH 501	Biostatistics	3
NURS 521	Nursing Issues, Informatics and	3
	Technology	
	Hours	6
Fifth Year		
First Semester		
HLTH 503	Principles of Epidemiology	3
NURS 523	Financial and Resource Management for	3
	Nurse Leaders	
	Hours	6
Second Semeste	•	
Graduate Nursing	g Elective <sup>6</sup>	3
NURS 524	Systems Management and Leadership for Nurse Leaders	3
	Hours	6
Sixth Year		
First Semester		
INFO 668	Health Data Analytics and Decision-Making	3
NURS 635	Nursing Informatics Data Management <sup>7,8</sup>	3
	Hours	6
Second Semeste	r	
NURS 636	Nursing Informatics Capstone <sup>8</sup>	3
	Hours	3
	Total Hours	109-112

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the list of approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened before enrolling in foundational skills requirements

<sup>2</sup> NURS 220 requires a background check as a course assignment and must be taken as the first Nursing course to help set a foundation for the remaining Nursing coursework

- <sup>3</sup> Minimum grade of "C" is required
- <sup>4</sup> If this course is not successfully completed (B- or better), the student will need to take NURS 226 as a prerequisite prior to repeating NURS 500
- <sup>5</sup> If this course is not successfully completed (B- or better), the student will need to take NURS 446 as a prerequisite prior to repeating NURS 503
- <sup>6</sup> Choose any 500-600 level course
- <sup>7</sup> Students must complete a background check prior to enrollment in NURS 635 for completion of practice experience
- <sup>8</sup> NURS 635 & 636 involves a practice learning experience (Nurse Informatics – 200 hours)