

DEFIANCE COLLEGE

Want to know what makes a good nurse? Jean Watson, Distinguished Professor of Nursing at University of Colorado Denver, claims, “Caring is the essence of nursing.” And Watson is right.

Just think about it. At the beginning and end of life, nurses care. During routine vaccinations and blood pressure checks, nurses care. Throughout wellness checks and chemotherapy treatments, in emergency rooms and doctors offices, nurses care. Whenever they listen to patients, talk with families, and strategize with doctors, nurses care.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing is a response by public and private colleges to a community-identified need for baccalaureate-prepared nurses to serve the community and region, and offers expanded career options for persons in the nursing field by combining technical aspects of nursing with leadership skills necessary to lead in today’s dynamic healthcare environment.

Working closely with faculty, students develop critical-thinking and decision-making skills to function effectively in interpersonal and group situations. Graduates will be prepared to understand and to respond to changing healthcare needs of individuals, families, and communities.

Defiance College understands the compassion, intelligence, and skill it takes to be a nurse. Join the nursing program and prepare to care.

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Nursing

RN to BSN Completion Program
Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Nursing



Robin Hill, RN, plans for another busy day at her leadership and management clinical experience.

Program Requirements

Students must meet DC admission requirements, complete the required Defiance College general education courses, and the nursing courses listed. The major courses will be offered in a fast-track format. Courses are offered in online and hybrid format. General education courses and electives are also available through DC’s Day, Evening, and Weekend College programs.

Students will be required to take at least 10 credit hours in five prerequisite courses. Students will also be required to take six core nursing courses that total 23 credits, plus a 3 credit professional elective. Students will graduate from DC with at least 120 credit hours, including credits transferred from the associate degree or any other transferable credits.

After College — What’s Next?

- ◆ Nursing management and leadership positions
- ◆ Graduate School (Master of Science in Nursing) or other selected programs
- ◆ Community health nursing
- ◆ Clinical nursing
- ◆ Many other opportunities are available to those holding a BSN

RN to BSN Completion

Defiance College’s RN to BSN Completion Program is designed for associate degree or diploma-prepared nurses who graduated from an accredited nursing program, have a current and unencumbered Ohio RN licensure, and wish to pursue the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

The program combines the experiences of the Registered Nurse with the liberal arts and core nursing courses to prepare them for leadership positions, advancement into other health care opportunities, and the challenges of today’s ever-changing health care needs of individuals and communities.

Defiance College offers one of the most affordable part-time tuition rates in the region. Students should check with their employer to see if tuition reimbursement is available.

Accreditation

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Completion Program at Defiance College is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036, phone: 202-887-6791, the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association, and approved by the Ohio Board of Regents.

www.defiance.edu/pages/NS_completion_nursing.html

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Additionally, part-time instructors may teach specialized courses.

NURSING CORE COURSES

26 Credit Hours

NR 365 Nursing in a Globalized World
 NR 380 Nursing Informatics
 NR 400 Nursing Transitions
 NR 415 Nursing Research
 NR 475 Community Health Nursing
 (4 Lecture + 2 Clinical)
 NR 480 Nursing Leadership and Management
 (4 Lecture + 2 Clinical)

Choose one Professional Elective course:

MG 331 Management and Organizational Behavior
 OS 469 Principles of Supervision (online only)
 PY 345 Addictive-Compulsive Behavior

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

*43 Credit Hours

Including the 10 prerequisite credit hours

AH 110 Writing the Self in Culture
 AH 120 Writing the World
 AH 220 Global Civilization
 EN 220 Topics in Literature
 CA 111 Fundamentals of Oral Communication
 Any 200 level Religion (RL) course *(except RL 250)*
 ES 131-138 Physical Activity Course
 Any Art Course
 BI 195 Biological Science
 SO 120 Life in Society
 PY 110 Introduction to Psychology

Prerequisite courses or demonstrate proficiency before beginning core courses: (10 credit hours):

CH 113 Chemistry Around Us
 SW/PY 230 Behavioral Statistics
 IT 102 Word Processing/Clip Art Skills
 IT 103 Spreadsheet Skills
 IT 104 Presentation Skills

Who do I contact if I have more questions?

The Admissions Office is your connection to the RN to BSN Completion Program.

E-mail us at admissions@defiance.edu

Call us at 419-783-2359 or 1-800-520-4632 (GO DC)

Defiance College admits students regardless of race, color, creed, sex, national or ethnic origin, disability, or sexual orientation. 3/12

RN to BSN Completion Program Admission Requirements

- Submit completed Defiance College application for admission either by mail or online through the Defiance College website at <https://www.defiance.edu/application.html>
- A \$25.00 non-refundable application fee *(waived if student applies online or visits campus)*
- An official transcript from each college or university attended; We will review your transcripts and prepare a plan of study for the courses you need to take.
- Associate degree or diploma in nursing from a National League for Nursing (NLN) accredited institution
- Valid and unencumbered Ohio registered nursing license *(for new graduates, licensure is required before the first clinical course)*
- A minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale on all prerequisite courses
- GPA of 2.5 or higher on previous college coursework
- Courses taken at other colleges may be used to satisfy

Admission Decision

Each candidate for admission is reviewed individually with careful consideration given to academic records, test scores, autobiographical statements, and the ability to benefit from and contribute to the opportunities offered at Defiance College.

Frequently Asked Questions

What kind of nursing license is required for admission to the program?

You must have a current unrestricted Ohio registered nursing license which we will verify on the Ohio Board of Nursing website. If you have your LPN certificate, you must obtain your unrestricted Ohio RN license before applying to the RN to BSN program.

How long does the application and transfer review process take?

You will receive an acceptance letter within 14 days upon receipt of all application materials and verification of Ohio licensure.

How long will it take me to finish the program?

It will depend on how many credit hours transfer to Defiance College and how many courses you plan to take per semester. The BSN degree requires successful completion of at least 120 credit hours, including transfer credits.

How much will it cost?

Defiance College offers the most affordable part-time tuition in the region at \$410 per credit hour. There is an additional student fee of \$85 per semester. Many employers offer tuition assistance/reimbursement; check to see if your employer is one of them.

What payment options are available?

Defiance College offers tuition deferment (up to 100%) for eligible students. The program is for tuition only and does not allow for deferral of books, fees, or other supply expenses. All accepted undergraduate students can be considered for need-based financial aid including loans after completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Eligible students may also choose to use the Defiance College Payment Plan to pay their tuition and fees. There is a \$30 non-refundable fee per semester for this plan.