Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)

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The CSUSM School of Nursing, in collaboration with Extended Learning, is pleased to offer the Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN) program.

Program Overview

Offered at the San Marcos and Temecula Campuses, the RN to BSN program is a part-time program designed for the working RN. Upon completion of this program, students will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing (BSN). The BSN allows individuals to assume leadership roles with the clinical setting and establishes a foundation for graduate level studies. The program is designed for students who currently possess an Associate Degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited institution.

Classes are offered one-day per week and students may be able to complete the degree in as little as six (6) academic terms, including summers. The program utilizes a cohort model, and admits 24 students per CSUSM Campus location each Fall Semester.

Program Prerequisites

- A California RN License and completion of college coursework from a regionally-accredited college/university, such as WASC (or other regional affiliate), including LVN coursework, if taken separately;
- Completion of the Pre-Nursing Core, or their equivalents (a complete list of Pre-Nursing Core classes is available online at www.csusm.edu/el);
- Completion of the additional RN to BSN Preparatory courses, or their equivalents;
- Minimum GPA of 2.0; applies to both overall college/university GPA and cumulative GPA for the Pre-Nursing Core and RN to BSN Preparatory courses;
- Students must complete all prerequisite and preparatory to the RN – BSN nursing major courses with a grade of C or better, and courses (and labs) with substandard grades (C- or below) can be repeated only once.

Advising and Information Sessions

Advising appointments are available onsite at the San Marcos and Temecula Campuses. To setup an advising appointment, contact Extended Learning at 800-500-9377.

Information Sessions for prospective students are also held routinely at the Campuses. For additional information about upcoming sessions, visit www.csusm.edu/el/rn2bsn or call 800-500-9377.
Required Courses

BIOL 323 – The Physiology of Nutrition and Disease (3)
PHIL 345 – Bioethics and Medical Ethics (3)
ANTH 301 – Culture and Medicine-Healers & Healing Practices (3)
SOC 303 – Families and Intimate Relationships (3)
NURS 310 – Nursing Assessment for the RN (2)
NURS 311 – Nursing Assessment for the RN Laboratory (1)
NURS 312 – Pathophysiology and Pharmacology (4)
NURS 350 – Role Transition for the RN (2)
NURS 351 – Role Transition Seminar for the RN (1)
NURS 352 – Nursing Research (3)
NURS 370 – Health Promotion and Patient Education (3)
NURS 440 – Community Health Nursing (3)
NURS 441 – Community Health Nursing Laboratory (3)
NURS 442 – Nursing Case Management of Vulnerable Populations (3)
NURS 443 – Nursing Case Management of Vulnerable Populations Laboratory: Acute Care (3)
NURS 445 – Nursing Case Management of Vulnerable Populations Laboratory: Community-Based (3)
NURS 450 – Nursing Leadership and Health Care Issues (3)
NURS 451 – Practicum: Nursing Leadership and Management Laboratory (2)
NURS 499 – Independent Study in Nursing (1-6)

PROGRAM COSTS

• $300 per unit for didactic courses
• $400 per unit for clinical courses
• Plus semester student fees

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. To apply for the Extended Learning RN to BSN program you must complete a Program Application online. Visit www.csusm.edu/el/rn2bsn to learn more about the application process and apply online today!

Nursing Faculty

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Terry Larsen, Ph.Dc., RN, CNS, Faculty Lecturer & Temecula Skills Lab Coordinator
Adjuncts with specialty training will also be utilized.
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Here’s our Story.

ABOUT EXTENDED LEARNING

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