SECOND DEGREE OPTIONS

Villanova University College of Nursing offers two full-time options to motivated students with a bachelor’s degree in another discipline who wish to embark on a career in nursing. The BSN Express Program is an accelerated program that permits completion of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree in 14 consecutive months, while the Alternate Sequence Curriculum requires four standard semesters plus one summer. Both options incorporate all the standard components of the traditional nursing program but in a different timeframe.

The second degree options offer:
• class cohesiveness, which fosters a unique support system and learning community for the students
• exceptional clinical experiences
• faculty who are experts
• mentors available to the students as they pursue this second degree

BSNExpress Program

• Begins in May of each year and ends in August of the following year
• Application deadline is October 15th
• Prospective students should have a 3.0 GPA or higher from their previous degree program
• GPA of less than 3.0 will be considered if performance in science courses is 3.0 or higher
• Intensity requires that students must be able to devote considerable time to studies
• Prerequisites may be taken at Villanova or any other accredited college or university:
  Anatomy & Physiology (6 – 8 credits)
  Chemistry (3 – 4 credits), must have organic component
  Cell Biology, Genetics or Microbiology (3 – 4 credits)
  Developmental Psychology (3 credits)
  Nutrition (3 credits)
  Pathophysiology (3 credits)
  Statistics (3 credits)
  Theology/Religious Studies (6 credits)

For current tuition and other costs, visit the BSNExpress FAQ section of our web site at www1.villanova.edu/villanova/nursing/programs/undergrad/second/bsnexpress/faq.html.

Alternate Sequence Curriculum

• Begins in August of each year and ends in August two years later
• Application deadline is March 1st
• Prospective students should have a 2.75 GPA or higher from their previous degree program
• GPA of less than 2.75 will be considered if performance in science courses is 2.75 or higher
• Prerequisites may be taken at Villanova or any other accredited college or university:
  Anatomy & Physiology (6 – 8 credits)
  Chemistry (3 – 4 credits), must have organic component
  Cell Biology, Genetics or Microbiology (3 – 4 credits)
  Nutrition or Statistics (3 credits)
  (the course that is not taken as a prerequisite can be completed as a co-requisite)
AS A STUDENT IN THE COLLEGE OF NURSING AT VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- Select an option tailored to meet your needs
- Learn from nursing leaders
- Challenge yourself in an acclaimed nursing program
- Collaborate with other talented students
- Access cutting edge resources in nursing education

FIND OUT MORE

Students are encouraged to submit copies of their college transcripts well in advance of their planned entrance into the program in order to allow for complete evaluation, transfer of credits and appropriate advisement. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable for initial review.

For more information about applications, transcript evaluation, TOEFL, financing your education and more visit our second degree pages at www.villanova.edu/nursing/programs/undergrad/second.

You may also want to visit Villanova’s Office of Financial Assistance at www.finaid.villanova.edu.

CLINICAL SITES

Clinical sites for practical experience may be located in Philadelphia or its suburbs. Our affiliations include:

- Bryn Mawr Hospital
- Delaware County Memorial Hospital
- Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
- Lankenau Hospital
- Mercy Suburban Hospital
- Paoli Hospital
- Penn Presbyterian Hospital
- The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
- Thomas Jefferson University Hospital

Villanova University College of Nursing has been designated a Center of Excellence in Nursing Education by the National League for Nursing.

Find out about all of our nursing programs at www.nursing.villanova.edu.