

FAQ

How can I obtain information about the program?

Associate Degree to BSN program information is available on the website at <http://nursing.ndsu.nodak.edu> . There is also a program brochure available which can be mailed. Any additional questions can be directed to the program coordinator: Jana.Stenson@ndsu.edu or 701-231-7395. An informational session is also offered each year on campus prior to the advanced placement exams (date will be posted on the website well in advance).

How long does the program take to complete?

The nursing courses take approximately 2 years to complete. Typically 1-2 nursing courses are offered per semester. General education courses needed for the degree can be taken while taking nursing courses, prior to taking nursing courses, or after completing nursing courses. A degree plan will be set up for each student upon admission to the program.

Are all of the courses in the program online?

The nursing courses are primarily online, with the exception of the summer courses that require time on campus as well as a clinical component. The summer session courses are the Adult Health/Critical Care course and the Community Health course. The summer nursing courses typically run from mid May to mid July or early August. Many general education courses are offered online. There may be some exceptions to this, such as Chem 260: Biochemistry. Availability of online general education courses is dependent upon semester-by-semester offerings.

How do I apply?

Students are eligible to apply to the Nursing program after they have been accepted by NDSU. Application to NDSU may be completed online at http://www.ndsu.edu/prospective_students/applynow/. Application forms to the Nursing program may be requested from the Nursing Office (Sudro 136) in person or by telephone 701-231-7395.

Will my previous college credits transfer?

All credits from a regionally accredited college/university are accepted in transfer. Upon admission to NDSU, your transcript(s) will be evaluated by the Registration & Records Department to determine credit applicable toward the degree. A "Transfer Equivalency Worksheet" will be sent to you and to the Nursing Department for your file. This evaluation will be used to determine general education courses needed for degree requirements.

What if I do not meet the 3.0 grade point average (GPA) requirement?

We are willing to look at your most recent GPA.

How do I receive credit for some nursing courses through the portfolio review process?

A student may receive credit for selected nursing courses by providing evidence that s/he has met the course objectives. Each student's portfolio is evaluated and a decision made on the basis of the evidence provided by the individual. The academic advisor for the RNs is Dr Norma Kiser-Larson. She may be contacted at Norma.Kiser-Larson@ndsu.edu or 701-231-7775.

How much are tuition and program fees?

Tuition information can be accessed on NDSU's webpage at <http://www.ndsu.edu/DCE/html/fees.htm> . Nursing program fees are \$300 per semester. There is also an admission fee of \$100.

Is financial assistance available?

We encourage students to seek out any assistance available. NDSU's Financial Aid Department information is available at <http://www.ndsu.edu/finaid/> . The Nursing Department also administers some scholarships for which students apply in the spring of each year. Awards are distributed each fall semester. Employers of students often have tuition and financial assistance programs available. Additionally, the ND Board of Nursing has a Nursing Education Loan program. Information about the Board of Nursing program can be accessed at http://www.ndbon.org/education/nursing%20education%20loan/Nursing_Education_Loan.shtml .