



KETTERING COLLEGE OF MEDICAL ARTS

Nursing

Bachelor of Science completion degree



career info

Nursing is an art and science with an emphasis on health promotion, health maintenance, and restoration of health. The need for nurses is felt nationwide, particularly for those with leadership skills. Baccalaureate-prepared nurses from Kettering College of Medical Arts serve as leaders to improve health care outcomes for individuals, families, and communities.

About the Degree

The Bachelor of Science in nursing completion degree at Kettering College is designed for registered nurses who have an associate degree or its equivalent in nursing. The degree consists of 64 semester credits and is the equivalent of the junior and senior years of a four-year baccalaureate degree. All nursing and non-nursing coursework required for the degree is offered online to ensure access to anyone wishing to pursue baccalaureate education. Clinical course requirements may be met in the geographic area where the student lives. Non-nursing courses are also available on campus.

Students may begin the degree any semester and may choose a full-time or part-time pace of study. Upper-division nursing courses must be completed within five (5) years of first enrollment in a nursing course. Cognate and arts and sciences courses may be taken prior to enrollment in nursing courses or may be taken concurrently with nursing courses. A maximum of 12 arts and sciences and any needed elective credits may be taken after the upper-division nursing courses are completed. Students who do not engage in coursework toward the degree for a period of one year or more must reapply. Students will be readmitted under the current curriculum, policies, and *Academic Bulletin*.

Pre-enrollment Requirements

To enroll in the program, a student must:

1. Have proficiency in the Microsoft Windows environment that includes word processing, spreadsheets, and PowerPoint; a student also must be able to navigate the Internet and use e-mail and attachments.
2. Have a broadband Internet connection and an e-mail address
3. Meet computer technical requirements as stipulated on the BSN section of the College Web site.

Approval and Accreditation

Kettering College is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, approved by the Seventh-day Adventist Board of Regents, and authorized by the Ohio Board of Regents. The Bachelor of Science nursing program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC).

ADMISSION BASICS

In addition to meeting the requirements for admission to KCMA (see the admission section of the *Academic Bulletin*), applicants to the BSN completion degree must meet the following requirements to be considered for admission:

1. Completion of an associate degree or its equivalent in nursing: To assist diploma nurses to establish credit equivalent to an associate degree, KCMA will grant 38 semester credits for the nursing courses taken in the diploma program. An additional block of 26 semester credits in supporting courses is required. These credits may be obtained by taking courses at KCMA, by transferring in credit, or by receiving credit by examination. Students will be advised regarding options for meeting the supporting course credit requirement
2. Possession of an unencumbered registered nurse license in the U.S. state in which the student will complete clinical learning requirements. Students in process of licensure may enroll in a maximum of 12 credit hours of upper-division nursing theory courses without being accepted to the BSN completion degree. This is called the "12 credit option."
3. Complete the student personal statement form provided with application materials.

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PROGRAM OF STUDY

Required core courses

		<i>Semester hours</i>
NRSA 310	Success Strategies for Online Learning	2
NRSA 316	Theoretical and Conceptual Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice	3
NRSA 325	Health Assessment (1 credit theory; 1 credit lab)	2
NRSA 335	Introduction to Nursing Research	3
NRSA 345	Issues and Trends in Health Care	3
NRSA 355	The Role of the Professional Nurse in Health Promotion	3
NRSA 371	Alternative Therapies for Health and Illness	3
NRSA 416	Community-Oriented Nursing Perspectives and Practice (clinical course)	5
NRSA 426	Nursing Informatics Applications	1
NRSA 436	Leadership and Management in Nursing Practice (clinical course)	5
NRSA 446	Senior Capstone	1
TOTAL		31

Required cognate courses

		<i>Semester hours</i>
BIOL 350	Pathophysiology	3
HEPR 430	Instructional Planning and Delivery	3
Statistics	One course (KCMA's is 4 credits)	3-4
HEPR 375	Cultural Diversity in Health Care	3
HEPR 310	Health Care Economics and Finance	3
TOTAL		15-16

Degree core requirements

		<i>Semester hours</i>
Humanities	At least two courses from literature, history, philosophy, music, art, theater, or foreign language	6
Religion	Upper division, including the required course RELP 315, Spirituality in Healing & Health Care	6
Sociology	One course	3
Speech Comm.	One course	3
TOTAL		18

Total semester credits for the BSN completion degree 64-65



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