

RN TO BSN

The RN to BSN program courses are 100% online to accommodate a working nurse's schedule. Full and part-time options are available to provide flexibility for the working registered nurse. Faculty are available at SHSU main campus and at The Woodlands Center for questions and advising.

The RN-BSN Online Track is designed for the student who is enrolled in or graduated from a community college with a degree in nursing and is eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN, or who has passed the NCLEX-RN, holds a current, unencumbered license as a registered nurse and wishes to obtain the baccalaureate degree. Earning a baccalaureate degree will open more doors in an RNs nursing career, allowing for positions of leadership and possibly further academic degrees.

There are three types of admission to SHSU's RN to BSN program:

- 1) Unconditional Admission
- 2) Conditional Admission
- 3) Joint Admission while enrolled in a community college nursing program.

The table below illustrates the requirements for each type of admission.

Admission Type	Application to SHSU	Application to RN BSN	Texas RN License	Cumulative GPA	Prerequisite GPA	¹ Proof of Clinical Readiness	Completion of all Prerequisite Courses
Unconditional	X	X	X	2.5	2.5	X	X
Conditional	X	X	WITHIN 1 SEMESTER	2.5	2.5	X	ALL BUT 4 COURSES*
Joint	X	X	WITHIN 1 SEMESTER AFTER GRADUATION WITH ADN	2.75	2.5	X	ALL BUT 4 COURSES*

Notes

Proof of clinical readiness: Completion of all immunizations, CPR, liability and health insurance, background check, and drug screen prior to enrolling in clinical courses.

* Four of the pre-requisite courses may be taken at SHSU following enrollment in RN-BSN program, but must be taken within one year.

Code	Title	Hours
RN to BSN		
Core Curriculum		
Component Area I (Communication)		6
Component Area II (Mathematics)		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science)		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture)		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts)		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History)		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government)		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences)		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option)		4
Degree Specific Requirements		
BIOL 2401 or BIOL 2403	Human Anatomy (core) ¹ Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 2402 or BIOL 2404	Human Physiology Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIOL 2420 or BIOL 3470	Intro Applied Microbiology General Microbiology	4
CHEM 1406 or CHEM 1411	Inorganic & Envir Chemistry (core) ¹ General Chemistry I	4

FACS 2362	Nutrition	3
MATH 1314 or MATH 1369 or MATH 1410 or MATH 1420	Pre Calculus Algebra (core) ² Elementary Statistics Elementary Functions Calculus I	3
MATH 1369 or STAT 1369 or MATH 1370 or PSYC 3402	Elementary Statistics Elementary Statistics Intro to Biomedical Statistics Psychological Statistics	3
PSYC 1301	Introduction To Psychology (core) ³	3
PSYC 3374	Development Psychology	3
Track Specific Requirements		
NURS 3340	Older Adult Health Management	3
NURS 3360	Introduction to Research	3
NURS 3370	RN-to-BSN Role Transition	3
NURS 4030	Community Nursing	3
NURS 4060	Leadership and Management	3
NURS 4372	RN-to-BSN Capstone	3
NURS 4381	Legal & Ethical Issues in Nurs	3
NURS 4382	Informatics	3
NURS 4383	Rural Health Nursing	3
NURS 4384	Nursing Genetics and Genomics	3
Articulation Credit		
ADN/Diploma Nursing courses applied to the RN-BSN degree		32
Total Hours		121

¹ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) and major requirement.

² Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics) and the major requirement.

³ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) and major requirement.

Code	Title	Hours
Prenursing Prerequisites and Texas Core		59
Nursing Credit Hours		62
Total Hours		121

Notes

Students admitted not core complete, must meet the SHSU core curriculum requirements. For students who are taking pre-requisite hours at SHSU, see the pre-licensure BSN requirements.

NURS 3370 requires admittance to the RN to BSN program and is a pre or co-requisite course for all RN-BSN courses.

NURS 4372 is taken in the final semester.

The nursing credit hours include 32 articulation credits and 30 hours taken at SHSU. Course substitutions in the degree specific credit hours may require additional elective credit hours to reach the total 121 credits required for the degree.

For more information on the RN-BSN option, contact:

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First Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
BIOL 2401 ¹	4	BIOL 2402	4
CHEM 1406 or 1411 ¹	4	ENGL 1302 ²	3
ENGL 1301 ²	3	HIST 1301 ⁴	3

MATH 1314 ³	3 MATH 1369, STAT 1369, MATH 1370, or PSYC 3402	3
Component Area IX	1 PSYC 1301 ⁵	3
	15	16

Second Year

First Semester	Hours Second Semester	Hours
BIOL 2420 or 3470	4 POLS 2306 ⁶	3
FACS 2362	3 Component Area IV (Recommend PHIL 1301)	3
HIST 1302 ⁴	3 Component Area IX (Recommend SOCI 2319)	3
POLS 2305 ⁶	3 Component Area V	3
PSYC 3374	3	
	16	12

Third Year

First Semester	Hours Second Semester	Hours Third Semester	Hours
NURS 3360	3 NURS 4030	3 NURS 3340	3
NURS 3370	3 NURS 4383	3 NURS 4381	3
NURS 4382	3 NURS 4384	3	
	9	9	6

Fourth Year

First Semester	Hours Second Semester	Hours
NURS 4060	3 ADN/Diploma Nursing courses applied to RN- BSN Degree	32
NURS 4372	3	
	6	32

Total Hours: 121

Code	Title	Hours
	Nursing Prerequisites and Texas Core	59
	Nursing Credit Hours (32 credits transferred in from ADN and 30 credits in nursing taken at SHSU)	62
	Total Hours	121

- 1 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area III (Life and Physical Science).
- 2 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communications).
- 3 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area II (Mathematics).
- 4 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
- 5 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences).
- 6 Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).