



RN to BSN Application and Information Packet

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UP RN-BSN Completion Program

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Program Information

Accreditation

The RN-BSN completion program at the University of Providence is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, (202) 887-6791.

Academic Information

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree completion program is offered to licensed, practicing Registered Nurses (RN) employed by Providence St. Joseph Health (PSJH) and its partner organizations. This program is now available to all RNs (outside of PSJH) who meet the requirements.

The program is a unique four semester program:

- Includes a face-to-face Program Immersion Day prior to the start of the first semester of the program.
- Courses are taught via distance learning.
- This program uses a cohort model, allowing the students to move through each class with the same group of students each semester.

Eligible caregivers of PSJH receive scholarship support through their individual ministries. Caregivers should contact their local HR office.

Admission Requirements

The University of Providence RN to BSN Degree Completion Program is offered to licensed, practicing Registered Nurses within PSJH and to the public.

The following items ***must*** be met to be eligible for the program:

- Graduate of an Associate Degree program in Nursing (or diploma program) with the following courses completed: Anatomy & Physiology (4 credits), Microbiology (3 credits), Nutrition (3 credits).
- Active and unencumbered RN license
- Applicants must complete the [University of Providence Application for Admission](#) located at www.uprovidence.edu as a RN-BSN student.

The following items must be met for applicants to be eligible for PSJH and partner organizations scholarship funds:

- Employed at a Providence St. Joseph Health or partner organization as a 0.6 FTE (24 hours) or greater for 6 months as a Registered Nurse (RN). LPN and CNA experience is not eligible for this program.
- Providence St. Joseph Health RNs must be employed in a benefited position (0.6 FTE or greater) at the time they submit their UP application and stay in a benefited position throughout the program.
- Per diem employees are not eligible for the scholarship, however, they can apply to the program and pay the discounted rate of \$483/credit.
- Special Note: Please check with your local HR department, not all Providence St. Joseph Health and partner organizations offer a scholarship.
- Graduate of an Associate Degree program in Nursing (or diploma program).
- Active and unencumbered RN license.
- RN is in good standing at their facility (RN is currently not on a performance plan or has been on a plan for the last 12 months). ☐ RN is not on an active medical leave.

Two important criteria for application completion are:

1. A Personal Essay answering the questions:
 - A. Please share with us (in two paragraphs) why you are choosing to return to school.
 - B. Please share with us (in two paragraphs) why you are choosing to apply to the UP RN-BSN program.
 2. Completion of program pre-requisite coursework with a C grade or better.
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*Note: in order to determine course transferability, please send an email to nursing@uprovidence.edu.

Application Steps

1. Visit www.uprovidence.edu and complete the undergraduate **University of Providence Application for Admission** as a pre RN-BSN student
2. University staff will verify completion and/or registration of any outstanding courses via unofficial transcripts
3. **Any student with a previous bachelor's degree should contact nursing@uprovidence.edu for application instructions as their first step.**

Please Note: Qualified applicants are accepted into the program on a first come, first serve basis. There are a limited number of seats for each cohort. Once all seats are filled for the upcoming start date, we will begin to admit students into the next available cohort.

All accepted applicants are required to pay a \$150 non-refundable deposit to secure their seat in the program. This deposit will be applied toward the student's first semester tuition.