

# Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (RN to BSN)

## 2023-2024 Program Guide

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Term	Priority Application Deadline	Classes Begin
Fall 2023	08/05/2023	08/21/2023
Spring 2024	12/02/2024	01/08/2024
Summer 2024	04/21/2024	05/08/2024

### ABOUT THIS LIMITED-ACCESS PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program is designed for individuals who have completed an Associate of Nursing Degree from an accredited nursing program and are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX RN) or hold an active Florida RN license. The program provides an opportunity for nurses to further their education and increase their potential for career advancement. The curriculum offers advanced nursing research, leadership, nursing theories, and Community and Public Health Nursing courses. Designed for working professionals, this is a self-paced online program (except for a 15-hour experiential learning component in the NUR 3634C - Community and Public Health Nursing and 10-hour experiential learning component in NUR 4945C - Nursing Capstone courses, totaling 25 experiential learning hours), that can be completed within one to two years.

### PROGRAM CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_ 1. Other than F or J visa categories, be a U.S. citizen, U.S. permanent resident, or non-immigrant category.
- \_\_\_ 2. Review this BSN program guide and the overview and program requirements in the [Valencia College catalog](#).
- \_\_\_ 3. Submit a completed [Valencia College Admission Application](#) ([valenciacollege.edu/admissions/apply.php](http://valenciacollege.edu/admissions/apply.php)).
- \_\_\_ 4. Submit final official transcripts from high school and all prior colleges and universities with one denoting completion of an Associate of Nursing Degree (AN), Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN), Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN), or Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AAS) from an accredited nursing program.
- \_\_\_ 5. Hold a clear/active, unrestricted, unencumbered Florida RN license or be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX RN). **NOTE:** A copy of a clear/active, unrestricted, unencumbered Florida RN license must be submitted before completing your first semester and before registering for NUR 3634C - Community and Public Health in Nursing. The license is collected after acceptance into the program.
- \_\_\_ 6. Have a minimum overall GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- \_\_\_ 7. Have an address in the state of Florida.
- \_\_\_ 8. Receive notification from the Valencia Admissions Office of acceptance to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program.
- \_\_\_ 9. Following program admission, complete the online Bachelor's New Student Orientation.
- \_\_\_ 10. [Confer with the Bachelor's Nursing Advisor](#) if assistance is needed relative to course selection, registration, and getting started in the program.

## 2023-24 Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Requirements

General Education Program Requirements (GEP) (35 Credit Hours)			
Met	Area 1. Communications (9 Credit Hrs.)	Course Title	Credits
▲	<a href="#">ENC 1101</a>	Freshman Composition I *(GR)	3
□	<a href="#">ENC 1102</a>	Freshman Composition II *(GR)	3
□	<a href="#">SPC 1017</a> or <a href="#">SPC 1608</a>	Interpersonal Communication or Fundamentals of Speech	3
<b>Area 2. Humanities (6 Credit Hrs.)</b>			
Met	Select a <b>Core</b> Humanities		
▲	<a href="#">ARH 1000</a> <a href="#">HUM 1020</a> <a href="#">LIT 1000</a> <a href="#">PHI 2010</a> <a href="#">THE 1000</a> <a href="#">MUL 1010</a>	Art Appreciation Intro To Humanities Intro to Literature Philosophy Introduction to Theater Music Appreciation *(GR)	3
Met	Select an <b>Institutional</b> Humanities		
☒	<a href="#">HUM 2220</a> <a href="#">HUM 2223</a> <a href="#">HUM 2232</a> <a href="#">HUM 2234</a> <a href="#">HUM 2250</a> <a href="#">HUM 2310</a> <a href="#">HUM 2403</a> <a href="#">HUM 2410</a> <a href="#">HUM 2454</a> <a href="#">HUM 2461</a> <a href="#">REL 2300</a> <a href="#">ARC 1701</a> <a href="#">ARH 2051</a> <a href="#">PHI 2600</a> <a href="#">MUT 1111</a>	Humanities – Greek and Roman *(GR) The Middle Ages *(GR) Humanities Renaissance and Baroque *(GR) 18th and 19th Century Humanities *(GR) 20th and 21st Century Humanities *(GR) Mythology *(GR) Middle Eastern Humanities *(GR) Asian Humanities *(GR) African - American Humanities *(GR) Latin American Humanities *(GR) World Religions *(GR) History of Architecture I *(GR) Introduction to Art History II *(GR) Ethics and Critical Thinking *(GR) Music Theory I	3
Met	<b>Area 3. Mathematics (6 Credit Hrs.)</b>		
▲	<a href="#">MGF 1106</a> or higher (Required)	Liberal Arts Mathematics I*(GR)	3
□	<a href="#">STA 2023</a> (Required)	Statistical Methods *(GR)	3
Met	<b>Area 4. Science (8 Credit Hrs.)</b>		
▲	<a href="#">BSC 2093C</a> (Required)	Human Anatomy and Physiology I**	4
▲	<a href="#">BSC 2094C</a> (Required)	Human Anatomy and Physiology II**	4
Met	<b>Area 5. Social Science (6 Credit Hrs.)</b>		
▲	<a href="#">PSY 2012</a> (Required)	General Psychology*	3
Met	Select an <b>Institutional</b> Social Science Course		
□	<a href="#">ANT 2410</a> <a href="#">ASL 2510</a> <a href="#">EUH 2000</a> <a href="#">EUH 2001</a> <a href="#">INR 2002</a> <a href="#">POS 2112</a> <a href="#">SYG 2010</a> <a href="#">WOH 2012</a> <a href="#">WOH 2022</a>	Cultural Anthropology *(GR) Deaf Culture *(GR) Ancient and Medieval West Civ *(GR) Modern Western Civ *(GR) International Politics *(GR) State and Local Government *(GR) Social Problems *(GR) World History to 1500 *(GR) World History Since 1500 *(GR)	3

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Nursing Foundation Courses (16 Credit Hours)			
Met	Course	Course Title	Credits
▲	Science Elective (Required)	Biology, Chemistry, or Physics <sup>+</sup> Any (one) <a href="#">BSC</a> , <a href="#">CHM</a> , or <a href="#">PHY</a> course	3
▲	<a href="#">DEP 2004</a> (Required)	Developmental Psychology <sup>**</sup>	3
▲	<a href="#">HUN 2202</a> (Required)	Essentials of Nutrition with Diet Therapy <sup>**</sup>	3
▲	<a href="#">MCB 2010C</a> (Required)	Microbiology <sup>**</sup>	4
▲	<a href="#">NUR 1060C</a>	Health Assessment Across the Lifespan <sup>**</sup>	3

Associate Degree in Nursing Credits (39 Credit Hours)			
Met	Courses	Course Title	Credits
▲	Courses and credits are articulated from the completed ADN program.		39

Nursing Core (30 Credit Hours)			
Met	Core Course	Course Title	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3825</a>	Professions of Role Transformation <sup>**</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3125</a>	Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice <sup>**</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3667</a>	Diversity and Global Trends in Nursing <sup>**</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 4837</a>	Health Care Policy and Economics in Nursing <sup>**</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3634C</a>	Community and Public Health Nursing <sup>**</sup>	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3169</a>	Evidence and Research in Nursing Practice <sup>**</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 4829</a>	Leadership and Management in Nursing <sup>**</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 4945C</a>	Nursing Capstone <sup>**</sup>	2

Nursing Electives (6 Credit Hours)			
Select two courses from the following list to fulfill your Nursing Electives requirement.			
Met	Core Course	Course Title	Credits
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3069C</a>	Advanced Health Assessment <sup>**1</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3145</a>	Pharmacology <sup>**1</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3870</a>	Informatics in Healthcare Nursing <sup>**1</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 3678</a>	Nursing Care of Vulnerable Populations <sup>**1,2</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 4286</a>	Gerontological Nursing <sup>**1,2</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">NUR 4257</a>	Critical Care Nursing <sup>**1,3</sup>	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">HSC 4404</a>	Medical Disaster Management <sup>**1,3</sup>	3
<b>BSN Program Total</b>			<b>120</b>

▲	This course can be met through an <a href="#">Award of Credit Process</a> . Please contact the Career Program Advisor for further information on this option.
*	This course has a prerequisite or co-requisite; check the description in the <a href="#">Valencia College catalog</a> .
+	This course must be completed with a grade of C or better.
1	This course is offered at Valencia College.
2	This course is offered at Lake Sumter State College; please see <a href="#">Transient Student Process</a> for more information.
3	This course is offered at Seminole State College; please see <a href="#">Transient Student Process</a> for more information.

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Graduation Requirement: Civic Literacy Requirement			
Option 1: Course & FCLE Exam			
Met	Course Options (Choose One):	Met	Exam & Minimum Required Score
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">POS 2041</a> U.S. Government <b>OR</b> <a href="#">AMH 2020</a> U.S. History 1877 to Present	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE)</a> Passing Score: 48 out of 80 (60%)
Option 2: Successfully Pass a Prescribed Assessment			
Met	Exam Options (Choose One):	Minimum Required Score	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">CLEP: American Government</a>;</li> <li>• AP Government and Politics: United States; or</li> <li>• AP United States History.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CLEP score of 50 or higher</li> <li>• AP US Government score of 3 or higher</li> <li>• AP United States History score of 3 or higher</li> </ul> <p style="background-color: yellow;"><b>Advising Note:</b> Passing the assessment with the minimum required score fulfills both the course and Florida Civic Literacy Exam requirements.</p>	

Graduation Requirement: Foreign Language Proficiency		
Met	Option 1: High School Foreign Language	
<input type="checkbox"/>	You may complete two credits (two years) of high school instruction in <b>one</b> language other than English with a passing grade each year as documented on your official high school transcript.	
Met	Option 2: Demonstration of Proficiency through Exam	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demonstration of intermediate proficiency by passing the <a href="#">AP</a> (Advanced Placement) or <a href="#">CLEP</a> (College Level Examination Program) foreign language test or a <a href="#">foreign language proficiency test</a> administered by the University of Central Florida.	
Met	Option 3: College Foreign Language	
<input type="checkbox"/>	You may complete one of the following sequences in a single foreign language with a letter grade of "C" or better:	
Courses	Course Title	Credits
<a href="#">ARA 1120</a> & <a href="#">ARA 1121</a>	Elementary Arabic I+ & Elementary Arabic II	8
<a href="#">ASL 2140</a> & <a href="#">ASL 2150</a>	American Sign Language I+ & American Sign Language II	8
<a href="#">CHI 1120</a> & <a href="#">CHI 1121</a>	Elementary Chinese I+ & Elementary Chinese II	8
<a href="#">FRE 1120</a> & <a href="#">FRE 1121</a>	Elementary French I+ & Elementary French II	8
<a href="#">GER 1120</a> & <a href="#">GER 1121</a>	Elementary German I+ & Elementary German II	8
<a href="#">ITA 1120</a> & <a href="#">ITA 1121</a>	Elementary Italian I+ & Elementary Italian II	8
<a href="#">JPN 1120</a> & <a href="#">JPN 1121</a>	Elementary Japanese I+ & Elementary Japanese II	8
<a href="#">LAT 1120</a> & <a href="#">LAT 1121</a>	Elementary Latin I+ & Elementary Latin II	8
<a href="#">POR 1120</a> & <a href="#">POR 1121</a>	Elementary Portuguese I+ & Elementary Portuguese II	8
<a href="#">POR 1340</a> & <a href="#">POR 1341</a>	Portuguese for Heritage Speakers I+ & Portuguese for Heritage Speakers II	8
<a href="#">SPN 1120</a> & <a href="#">SPN 1121</a>	Elementary Spanish I+ & Elementary Spanish II	8
<a href="#">SPN 1340</a> & <a href="#">SPN 1341</a>	Spanish for Heritage Speakers I+ & Spanish for Heritage Speaker II	8

### Graduation Requirements

In addition to completing the course requirements detailed in the curriculum to graduate, students must:

- Earn a minimum 2.0 Valencia College and Overall GPA.
- Complete all Core course work with a minimum grade of C (2.0) in all core courses.
- Satisfy Valencia's General Education requirements and Gordon Rule requirements unless you hold an Associate in Arts or Bachelor's degree or have completed the entire general education program at a regionally accredited institution.
- Satisfy the civic literacy requirement. As per Florida Rule 6A-10.04213, before the award of an associate in arts or baccalaureate degree, students initially entering a Florida College System institution in the 2021-22 school year\*, and after that must demonstrate competency in civic literacy before graduation by:
  - a. receiving a passing score on the Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE), and
  - b. successful completion of one of the following:

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- successfully passing [POS 2041](#) U.S. GOVERNMENT or [AMH 2020](#) U.S. HISTORY 1877 TO PRESENT or
  - successfully pass a prescribed assessment:
    - AP Government & Politics: United States Test\*\* (passing score =3), or
    - AP United States History Test\*\* (passing score = 4), or
    - CLEP American Government\*\* (passing score = 50)
- \*The Department of Education has provided guidance that the Civic Literacy requirement is based on the student's governing catalog year (e.g., it is for all students who have a catalog year of Fall 2021 or after even if they had previously attended a Florida public institution).
- \*\*receiving a passing score will satisfy both the FCLE and course requirements.
- Complete at least 25% of the 120-credit hour degree program (30 credits) at Valencia College, based upon the Florida College System's requirement of a 2+2 admission into the baccalaureate program. Fifteen of those hours must be 3000 or 4000 level courses from the program core course list.
  - Apply for graduation through Atlas by the deadline listed in the Academic Calendar's official online catalog. To submit a graduation application, the student must have at least the minimum number of college-level credits for the degree, including all courses currently registered.
  - Fulfill all financial obligations to Valencia College.
  - Foreign Language: Complete the Florida foreign language requirement: two years of high school or one year of college (at least eight credits) in a single foreign language. American Sign Language is acceptable. Foreign language taken at the college level does not satisfy the General Education credits.
  - Total Semester Credits required – 120 credit hours in addition to completing the Foreign Language Requirement above. The credit courses required may vary depending on the student's credits to the BSN program. Additional courses to complete the required 120 credit hours for graduation must apply to the degree and be approved by an advisor.

### Cost

The estimated total cost for the RN to BSN Completion Degree, including tuition for the 30 credits of program requirements, is approximately \$3,365.70 based on the price of \$112.19 X 30 credits. (This estimate does not include books, lab fees, or additional courses that you may be required to take to complete the BSN degree requirements)

### Registration Note:

Once a student has been approved as "Course Registration Eligible," it is the student's responsibility to secure enrollment in the desired course(s).

### Atlas Email

All communication from Valencia relative to program admission will be via your Atlas email. Written communication you send to Valencia staff should also be via your Atlas email and include your name and your Valencia ID number.

### Transfer Notes:

- Students who hold an A.A. or bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution have satisfied Valencia's general education program requirements.
- Students transferring from a regionally accredited Florida public institution with the general education program (GEP) requirements met have satisfied Valencia GEP requirements.
- 1000 and 2000 level courses do not substitute for upper-division 3000 – 4000 level courses.

## RN-BSN Sample Plan of Study

Courses will typically be taken in this order within 3-5 semesters. Each plan of study is individualized in consultation with an advisor.

### Advising Notes:

**General Education** – Missing general education courses can be taken alongside core courses.

**Florida Civic Literacy Requirement** - Students admitted on or after Fall 2021 must meet the [FCLE requirements](#). Plan on taking the exam no later than your second to last term.

Nursing Core			
1 <sup>st</sup> Term	Course Title	Prerequisites / Corequisites	Credits
<a href="#">NUR 3825</a>	Professions of Role Transformation	<b>Pre:</b> Admission to the BSN program.	3
<a href="#">NUR 3125</a>	Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	<b>Pre or Co:</b> NUR 3825	3
2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	Course Title	Prerequisites / Corequisites	Credits
<a href="#">NUR 3169</a>	Evidence and Research in Nursing Practice	<b>Pre:</b> STA 2023, NUR 3825, NUR 3125	3
<a href="#">NUR 4837</a>	Healthcare Policy and Economics in Nursing	<b>Pre:</b> NUR 3825	3
3 <sup>rd</sup> Term	Course Title	Prerequisites / Corequisites	Credits
<a href="#">NUR 3667</a>	Diversity and Global Trends in Nursing	<b>Pre:</b> NUR 3825	3
Elective	Choose a course from the list of electives	<b>Pre or Co:</b> NUR 3825	3
4 <sup>th</sup> Term	Course Title	Prerequisites / Corequisites	Credits
<a href="#">NUR 3634C</a>	Community and Public Health Nursing	<b>Pre:</b> NUR 3825, NUR 3125 <b>Pre or Co:</b> NUR 3169, NUR 4837	4
Elective	Choose a course from the list of electives	<b>Pre or Co:</b> NUR 3825	3
5 <sup>th</sup> Term	Course Title	Prerequisites / Corequisites	Credits
<a href="#">NUR 4829</a>	Leadership and Management in Nursing	<b>Pre:</b> NUR 3825	3
<a href="#">NUR 4945C</a>	Nursing Capstone	<b>Pre:</b> NUR 3825, NUR 3125, NUR 3667, NUR 3634C and NUR4837 <b>Pre or Co:</b> NUR 3169, NUR 4829	2
<b>Graduate with BSN / Total:</b>			<b>30</b>

Nursing Electives	
Course Options	Credits
<a href="#">NUR 3145</a> – Pharmacology	3
<a href="#">NUR 3870</a> – Informatics in Healthcare Nursing	3
<a href="#">NUR 3678</a> – Nursing Care of Vulnerable Populations	3
<a href="#">NUR 4286</a> – Gerontological Nursing	3
<a href="#">NUR 4257</a> – Critical Care Nursing	3
<a href="#">HSC 4404</a> – Medical Disaster Management	3
<a href="#">NUR 3069C</a> – Advanced Health Assessment	3
State Graduation Requirements	
<b>Civic Literacy Requirement</b>	<b>0-3</b>
<a href="#">POS 2041</a> – U.S. Government <b>OR</b> <a href="#">AMH 2020</a> – U.S. History 1877 to Present  <b>AND</b> Pass the <a href="#">Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE)</a>	
<b>Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement</b>	<b>0-8</b>
Complete the Florida foreign language requirement: two years of high school or one year of college (completion through Elementary II) in a single foreign language.	