

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN)









1 Year Program



Accredited*

Pima Medical Institute's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN to BSN) is a degree completion program designed for Registered Nurses working in the profession who are seeking increased responsibility, enhanced clinical leadership and formal career advancement in an ever-evolving health care environment. Dedicated faculty facilitate a learning-centered environment focused on providing culturally competent care for diverse populations within the global community.



The RN to BSN program will prepare the graduate nurse with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be:

- Leaders and managers supporting integration of quality,
 safety and technology throughout the healthcare industry
- Collaborators, communicators, and decisions makers within complex healthcare organizations sustaining cognizance of legal, ethical, fiscal and regulatory trends/issues
- Evaluators of Evidence-Based Literature aimed at research utilization to improve outcomes
- Promoters for health, wellness, and disease prevention for diverse individuals, families, populations and communities
- Advocates for life-long learning, professional identity and the all-encompassing nursing profession

*The RN to BSN program at Pima Medical Institute is accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES) and approved by the Arizona State Board for Private Post-Secondary Education. The program is also accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, (202) 887-6791, www.ccneaccreditation.org.

For more information about the RN to BSN program, including course calendar, tuition, grading structure and course details, please refer to the <u>Prospective Student Handout</u> located on the website.



Student Outcomes

Program Focuses

- Understand and apply pertinent clinical, fiscal, legal and political trends confronting healthcare and the nursing profession.
- Integrate nursing knowledge with the humanities, arts, and sciences as a foundation for effective clinical reasoning to support independent and interdependent decision making in the delivery of care to diverse individuals, families, communities and populations.
- Demonstrate leadership in promoting safe, quality care with a focus on continuous improvement within a variety of organizations and healthcare systems.
- Utilize best current evidence from nursing and the sciences to support decision-making, and disseminate/participate in nursing scholarship.
- Integrate a variety of technologies to communicate, support, and provide safe quality care to diverse individuals, families, communities and populations across the healthcare continuum.

The clinical component of this program engages students in experiential learning activities via course assignments and activities that apply ideas, theories, and concepts learned in the classroom into real-world nursing practice. As a student, you will work with a professional mentor who will guide you as you apply the new knowledge you are obtaining into your current employment role. This mentor will at minimum have their BSN credential and their support better prepares you to assume roles requiring increased leadership capability and clinical responsibility in your delivery of care.

Program Curriculum

Course	Credits
Semester I (16 Weeks)	
Advanced College Writing	3.0
Legal and Regulatory Healthcare Requirements Seminar	3.0
Statistical Concepts	3.0
Pathophysiology	3.0
Semester II (16 Weeks)	
Integrated Health Assessment	3.0
Ethics in a Diverse World	3.0
Role Transition to Professional Nursing	3.0
Health Care Informatics	4.0
Semester III (16 Weeks)	
Semester III (16 Weeks) Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice	4.0
Nursing Research and	4.0
Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Health Care Management, Policy	•
Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Health Care Management, Policy and Quality Improvement Community, Transcultural and	4.0
Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Health Care Management, Policy and Quality Improvement Community, Transcultural and Global Health Issues Interprofessional Leadership in	4.0
Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Health Care Management, Policy and Quality Improvement Community, Transcultural and Global Health Issues Interprofessional Leadership in Health Care Capstone Transfer of Credit Requirement (25 general education, 42 nursing related,	4.0 4.0 4.0

^{*}Please refer to the Prospective Student Handout for more detailed information about mentorship specifics.



Student Outcomes

Professional Outcomes

- Prepare to assume roles requiring increased leadership capability and clinical responsibility in the delivery of care to diverse individuals, families, communities and global populations.
- Foster open communication, mutual respect, and shared decision making by functioning effectively with patients/families, communities/ populations, nursing colleagues and interprofessional teams.
- Utilize all levels of prevention to promote health and reduce disease/injury in diverse individuals, families, communities and populations in complex situations.

- Assimilate professional, ethical, legal and leadership principles consistent with that of a professional nurse in a dynamic healthcare system.
- Provide competent nursing care to diverse individuals, families, communities and populations in a variety of settings across the lifespan.
- Influence the allocation of health resources and reduce health disparities through practice and participation in the shaping of healthcare policy, finance and regulatory environments.



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Why Choose Pima Medical Institute?

Since we opened our doors in Tucson, Ariz. back in 1972, Pima Medical has been focused on our mission to improve the quality of people's lives by providing the best value in medical career education. 50 years later, we remain focused on a student-centered approach to education. Our experienced faculty and staff work to provide for our students, creating a qualified generation of health care employees who make immediate impact in the communities they serve.

As a Pima Medical student, you will have access to:



Academic Support



Writing Center



Mental Health
Counseling



Career Services



Financial Services



Help Desk Support

Life as an Online Student

Pima Medical's RN to BSN program is composed exclusively of online classes, allowing you the flexibility to balance your personal and professional commitments while completing your education.

During your time as an online student, you will:

- Receive personalized attention from expert faculty
- Interact with peers and faculty from all over the country in a collaborative format
- Experience learning with a multimedia approach, including videos, podcasts, knowledge checks, instructor experience and artificial intelligence
- Have the flexibility to complete your coursework when convenient, while also relying on a logical course structure with due dates
- Have access to the Pima Medical community when you need assistance

"The instructors at Pima Medical genuinely want you to succeed. They are always available to help and often shared their personal nursing experiences with us. I found it quite easy to manage work and school life balance, even in the midst of a pandemic. I've worked in many different departments; neurology, progressive care unit (PCU), resource nurse working with all different departments, and currently I'm working in the ICU. There are endless opportunities for nurses and I am considering both research and travel nursing in my future."

-Grace Lynn Griffith, Bachelor of Science in Nursing graduate



Admissions Requirements

Applicants to this degree program must meet the following requirements:

- Maintain an active and unencumbered license as a registered nurse and be employed as a registered nurse
- Have completed a total of 79 semester credits of specific coursework at the postsecondary level
 - > The 79 transfer credits shall consist of 12 course, 25 general education and 42 nursing credits
- Registered nurses who have successfully completed an associate degree nursing program from a nationally or regionally accredited college or university will receive a maximum of 42 semester credits for pre-licensure nursing coursework. Graduates of a recognized diploma school may be required to take additional lower division courses to meet the overall credits to graduate from the program.
- See additional Admissions and Transfer Credit requirements in the Prospective Students section of the college catalog.

