



College of DuPage and Benedictine University 3+1 Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing

A convenient, affordable and streamlined approach to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing

Program Overview

- All classes are held at the COD Glen Ellyn campus.
- The final 37 Benedictine University credit hours are offered at a discounted tuition rate.
- Benedictine University's RN to BSN Completion Program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Who can enroll in the programs?

- Students who have completed an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree in Nursing ("the ADN degree") at COD with a 2.50 GPA or better and hold a current, valid Registered Nurse (RN) license.
- New students interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing offered by Benedictine University at College of DuPage. Nursing is a limited enrollment program. Students should consult with the admission packet.
- Students who graduated from COD's AAS degree in Nursing and went elsewhere can be considered for admission for this 3+1 program if they complete any necessary prerequisites. A transcript evaluation needs to be completed by both schools.

How does the program work?

- For students earning an AAS in Nursing, the program consists of 120 credit hours, including 83 credit hours of COD courses and 37 credit hours of Benedictine University coursework.
- All additional coursework beyond the AAS degree must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.
- Benedictine will offer the final-year Nursing classes in five-week sessions for degree completion by COD students who are age 21 or older and have earned the Associate in Applied Science Degree in Nursing.
- Students should apply for admission to Benedictine University **one full semester** prior to starting Benedictine coursework.

The Advantage

The 3+1 program allows students to complete their AAS degree from College of DuPage. Once completed, our students are allowed to take additional courses beyond their degree from COD paying our much lower tuition rates. The final year of classes are taught by Benedictine University faculty and are offered on College of DuPage's campus at a significantly reduced rate, making the goal of continuing an education a reality for more students. This program exemplifies College of DuPage's mission to make education more affordable for its students while stressing academic quality, first-class faculty and extraordinary learning environments.

(Academic Plan on back.)

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Benedictine University/College of DuPage College 3+1 Academic Plan
Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Nursing/Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)

College of DuPage - A.A.S. degree in Nursing		Benedictine University - B.S.N.	
Years 1, 2, and 3 College of DuPage courses	SEM	Year 4 - Benedictine University courses	SEM
ENGLISH 1101 English Composition I*	3	NRHL 310 Scholarly Communication*	1
ENGLISH 1102 English Composition II*	3	NRHL 325 Dimensions of Professional Nursing Practice*	3
SPEECH 1100 Fundamentals of Speech Communication*	3	NRHL 330 Nursing Scholarship: Role of Research in Evidence-Based Practice*	3
MATH 1635 Statistics* (preferred) or PSYC 2280/SOC 2205 Stats for Social and Behavioral Sciences*	3-4	NRHL 335 Concepts in Collaborative Health Promotion and Disease Prevention for the Older Adult*	3
CHEM 1211, 1551, 1552, 2551, 2552 or 2213*	4-5	NRHL 340 Comprehensive Health and Physical Assessment*	3
ANAT 1551 or 1571 Anatomy and Physiology I*	4	NRHL 345 Applications of Pathophysiology and Pharmacotherapeutics to Clinical Reasoning*	3
ANAT 1552 or 1572 Anatomy and Physiology II*	4	NRHL 350 Health Care Policy, Finance, Regulation and Advocacy*	3
PSYC 1100 Introduction to Psychology*	3	NRHL 360 Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Community Health Promotion, Family and Population-Based Care*	3
PSYC 2237 Developmental Psychology: The Lifespan*	3	NRHL 361 Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Community Health Promotion, Family and Population-Based Care Clinical*	3
MICRO 1420 Microbiology*	4	NRHL 370 Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Professional Nursing Leadership Synthesis*	3
SOCIO 1100 Introduction to Sociology	3	NRHL 371 Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Professional Nursing Leadership Synthesis Clinical*	3
PHIL 1110 Ethics	3	IDS WI-201 Catholic and Benedictine Intellectual Traditions (various topics)	3
IAI Humanities	3	IDS 301 Human Dignity or the Common Good (various topics)	3
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Electives – refer to transfer guide for transferable courses	7		
Nursing (30 semester credit hours lower level nursing)*	30		
Total semester credit hours transferring from COD:	83	Semester credit hours completed at Benedictine:	37
Total semester credit hours required to complete the entire program: (83+37) = 120**			
**A minimum total of 120 semester credit hours is required for a baccalaureate degree completion from Benedictine University. Students may complete more than the minimum of 120 semester credits to meet University requirements.			

Please note:

All courses listed in the academic plan designated with an asterisk (*) must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Applicants who are missing any Year 1-3 COD courses may be admitted on the condition that missing courses are completed prior to enrolling in Benedictine's Year 4 B.S.N. degree cohort classes.

COD courses are not listed in sequence. The A.A.S. in Nursing degree must be completed and conferred in order to be eligible for this academic plan. Please consult with your COD academic advisor to determine degree requirements and when COD courses should be taken. Students will enroll in Benedictine courses in a designated sequence with their cohort group.

A student must earn a minimum of 120 semester credit hours to qualify for graduation with a bachelor's degree. At least 37 of the 120 semester credit hours for graduation must be completed at Benedictine University. Students follow the degree requirements for the catalog year in which they enter Benedictine University.

Application procedures:

- Submit a completed adult undergraduate admissions application.
- Submit official transcripts from ALL colleges attended (community colleges and four-year colleges).
- Submit official transcript from COD with A.A.S. in Nursing degree conferred.
- Submit a letter of recommendation from your employer (new graduates can request recommendation from a clinical instructor).
- Submit a copy of current, unencumbered Illinois registered nurse (RN) license.
- Complete and submit the computer literacy questionnaire. The questionnaire will be emailed to applicants by a Benedictine admissions counselor upon receipt of application.