



Associate Degree in Nursing

Grow your passion for providing patient-centered care.

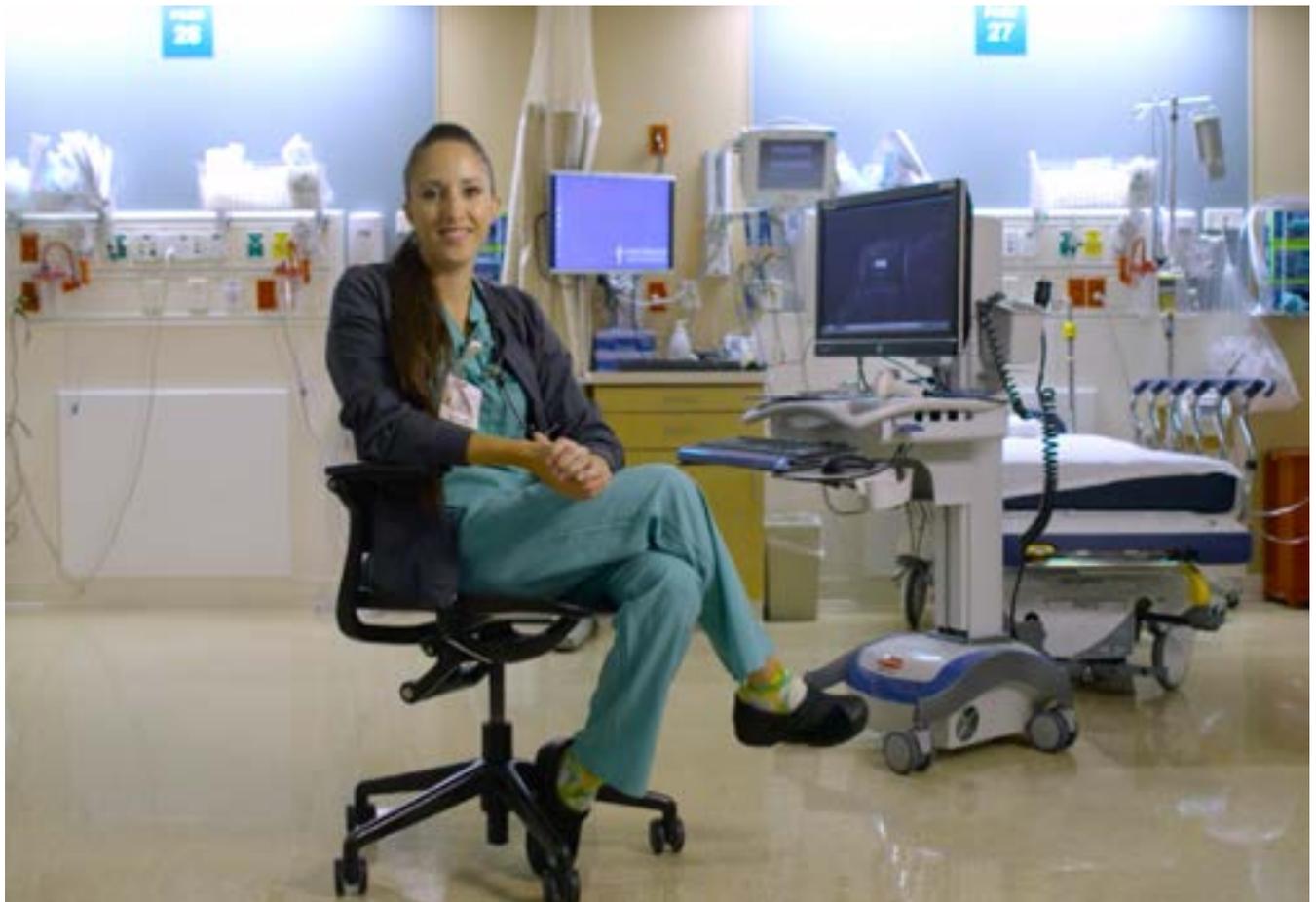




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Make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

An associate degree in Nursing is a pathway to a rewarding career that offers job stability and a genuine sense of personal fulfillment. As a Registered Nurse, you'll work directly with patients in some of their most vulnerable moments. Your ability to make informed decisions and provide quality patient care will make a significant difference in the lives of people in your care. When you become a Registered Nurse, you'll act as a patient advocate and deliver compassionate, evidence-based care based on a patient's diagnosis.

Earning an associate degree in Nursing from Goodwin University will help you develop the critical-thinking and interpersonal skills necessary for success in the field of nursing. Our expert faculty are licensed professionals with years of experience in the field, meaning you'll learn best practices from accomplished nurses in the industry. Through hands-on clinical experiences, you'll gain the practical skills that are critical to a successful nursing career. Start your journey to becoming a Registered Nurse today!

Say hello to Program Director Bruce Hoffman, MSN.



“Hello and thank you for your interest in the associate degree in Nursing (ADN) program! The ADN program’s innovative teaching philosophy is grounded by a blend of instructor field experience and exceptional scholarly examples. Our inclusive program is passionate about eliminating any educational and professional learning barriers for students. We’ve all heard the historical cliché — that nursing professors teach one way in the classroom, but that real world practice is entirely different — and at Goodwin, we’d like to break that notion of nonsense. What our professors teach in the classroom is the same way they have practiced by the bedside. Our curriculum content and cohort expectations are practiced in clinical settings and reflect contemporary nursing research and knowledge. ADN faculty and staff proudly help students make accessible connections between their education at Goodwin and training experience for their future careers. A former student of Goodwin myself, I am elated to give back all that the institution has provided me. If you’re ready to enter a rewarding profession that combines compassionate care with a truly satisfying career, I sincerely hope to see you soon!”

- Bruce Hoffman, MSN

Bruce Hoffman has worked as a critical care registered nurse and paramedic in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Maryland. His clinical background includes Cardiology, the ER, ICU, Trauma Care, and Flight. Hoffman earned his Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) from Springfield Technical Community College and is a graduate of the RN-to-BSN program at Goodwin University. He went on to obtain his Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) from Western Governors University, and he has since attained his Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) degree from Morningside College. Bruce was honored with Goodwin University’s Community Service Award in 2016. In 2017, he had two works published in the Journal of Emergency Medical Services and was the 2019 recipient of the Dr. Sheila Packard Memorial Award from the Connecticut Nurses Foundation. In his spare time, Bruce volunteers as an EMT, paramedic and CPR instructor and offers his expertise through committee work for the Air and Surface Transport Nurses Association (ASTNA). As Goodwin University’s associate degree in Nursing program director, Bruce looks forward to helping students transition from their dream of becoming a nurse to an achievable reality.

Pursue your passion with an associate degree in Nursing from Goodwin University.



Explore a world of in-demand career opportunities.

As a Registered Nurse, you'll enter an in-demand career in a growing field. Once you are licensed, you'll have the opportunity to choose from a variety of healthcare settings, including community health centers, doctors' offices, hospice facilities, hospitals, and more! You may also be able to pursue positions in nursing supervision and management once you gain experience in the field, leading to better compensation and more fulfillment in your career.

Gain critical hands-on experience.

When you begin working in the field, it is critical that you come prepared with hands-on experience that will guide you as you treat patients. In our Nursing program, you'll participate in mandatory clinical practices, which will include demonstrations in our skills labs as well as direct patient care opportunities. In these clinicals, you'll work closely with our faculty members to ensure patients are treated with dignity and respect, and that you understand how to practice safely, ethically, and professionally in a real-world setting. You'll have the opportunity to operate as if you were practicing in a real healthcare facility, so you'll develop a deeper understanding of the important concepts related to improving patient outcomes.



Get prepared for the NCLEX.

After you graduate from the Nursing program, you'll need to pass the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX) in order to practice as a licensed RN. Our faculty will be there to support you as you prepare to take this exam, and our program will provide you with all the knowledge and resources you need to be successful. The NCLEX involves a combination of basic recall and real-world applications of best practices, so the hands-on experience you gain in conjunction with your traditional classroom learning will set you up for success!





A focus on career readiness

Pursuing a Nursing degree can be a pathway to more fulfillment and better compensation in your career — that's why Goodwin University is committed to preparing you for success in your field. Our curriculum is tailored to give you the skills and knowledge to provide high-quality patient care. The experience you gain from studying in our state-of-the-art facilities will make you a more marketable job candidate once you graduate.

We put you first.



We have a completely student-centered approach to learning. Our expert faculty are dedicated to giving you the one-on-one attention you deserve, and we offer a wide variety of student resources such as counseling services, financial aid, tutoring, and more. While you're earning your degree, we'll be there to support you every step of the way!

Curriculum

General Education Requirements - 18 Credits		
ENG 101	English Composition	3
ENG 1XX	English Elective	3
PSY 112	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSY 212	Lifespan Development	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
	Humanities (HIS, PHIL, SPAN, HUM)	3
Science Core - 12 Credits		
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 212	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIO 235	Microbiology	4

Nursing Major Core - 35 Credits		
NUR 100	Nursing Skill Development	6
NUR 110	Adults and the Wellness Continuum I	6
NUR 200	Adults and the Wellness Continuum II	7
NUR 210	Families and the Wellness Continuum	7
NUR 220	Integration of Nursing Practice: Adults with Complex Health Problems	9

Total Credits: 65

Program format

In order to jumpstart a successful career in nursing, it is important that you experience the real-world applications of your learning. This program is offered in an on-campus format, so you can gain the first-hand knowledge necessary for a rewarding career.

At Goodwin, you'll still have time to spend with the people you love while advancing your career. We offer flexible class schedules, including day and night classes, as well as weekend options for clinicals.

- **You can complete the nursing courses for your associate degree in Nursing in as few as 20 months part-time.***
- There are no wait lists for nursing enrollment.
- Most classes are offered days and evenings, Monday through Friday. Clinicals are chosen by lottery — day, evening, and weekend classes are available.
- **You can still work full-time or part-time while completing your degree.**
- Nursing applications are accepted 3 times per year.

**Additional time required to complete prerequisite coursework.*

Course formatting

Courses are offered on-campus, with a combination of traditional classroom learning and clinical practices.

On-campus classes

Engaging in in-person clinical training is an essential part of becoming a Registered Nurse. When you come to campus, you'll receive hands-on training and experience working in a setting similar to a real healthcare facility. You'll learn from professional clinicians as they showcase their years of experience, so you'll graduate with the important professional skillsets to provide quality patient care in your career.

Admissions requirements

We pride ourselves on providing you with a quality, in-depth education in nursing. Goodwin's program is rigorous, and our high volume of applicants means you must meet certain criteria in order to gain acceptance into the program. [See our most up-to-date admissions requirements here.](#)

Testimonials



“Being a nurse is something that I am extremely proud of and it provides me with a sense of fulfillment I never experienced in my previous career.”

Ed Baxter, RN



“You walk into Goodwin as an individual but you come out as a part of the family. You build that friendship and that’s especially important in the nursing program. It changes you, you’re definitely a different person from the first day to the last day.”

Akeem Green, RN



“Working as an RN has allowed me to have more time for my family and now I can better support them.”

Tarah Lord, RN



“In the Nursing program, the professors and clinical instructors took their time to teach the correct ways to practice nursing, ‘no shortcuts.’ Thanks to their guidance and support, I practice with confidence knowing that I’m providing the best care possible to all of my patients.”

Shaily De La Cruz, RN

Student resources and support

At Goodwin University, we are invested in the continued success of our students. We believe that you deserve great support services and resources to help you achieve your goals!

Academic Resources

- Academic Advising
 - Admissions
 - Financial Aid
 - Registrar's Office
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Academic Support

- Academic Success Center
- Library
- Math Lab
- Tutoring

College Experience

- Clubs and Organizations
 - Student Engagement
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Personal Support Services

- AccessAbility Services
 - Ann B. Clark Co-op
 - Counseling
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Professional Development

- Lifetime Career Services

Financial Aid information

Paying for college doesn't have to be stressful — we make it easy to understand the costs of your education before classes even begin.

We are committed to helping you earn your degree at a cost that is affordable to you. At Goodwin, there are a variety of financial aid opportunities available to you, including scholarships, grants, student loans that need to be repaid, and work-study opportunities that provide a regular paycheck.

Check out our [financial aid page](#) to find out how Goodwin University can help you pay for your education.



Contact us today!

Call: 800-889-3282

Text: 860-467-1511

www.goodwin.edu/nursing

Goodwin University is a nonprofit institution of higher education and is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), formerly known as the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

The associate degree Nursing program at Goodwin University at the campus located in East Hartford, Connecticut is accredited by the [Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing \(ACEN\)](http://www.acenursing.com), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400 Atlanta, GA 30326 404-975-5000

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the Associate Degree nursing program is Continuing Accreditation. View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program at www.acenursing.com/accreditedprograms/programsearch.htm

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