

RN-to-BSN Degree Completion Program

Gain experience and advance your nursing career.





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Become a trusted leader in the nursing field.

Given the state of healthcare today, it's critical that registered nurses pursue advanced education beyond an associate degree. Our understanding of healthcare is constantly evolving — while scientific breakthroughs and advancements in technology have made us more efficient and better equipped to treat complex ailments, they have also created a need for nurses to continue their education and sharpen their existing skills. When you decide to pursue your bachelor's degree in Nursing, you'll become more experienced and qualified for jobs with higher salary potential — not to mention the positive impact you'll have on your patients and their healing experience.

At Goodwin University, you can enroll in our RN-to-BSN Degree Completion program and start on your journey to a more fulfilling career. You'll build on your foundational knowledge of nursing to master more advanced concepts related to patient care. You'll even have the opportunity to learn from your peers as you work side-by-side during clinical training experiences. Take the leap and earn your BSN today!

Say hello to Program Director Dr. Vivienne Friday.



"The BSN programs at Goodwin University are challenging and allow students to apply existing skills and competencies to progress within each program. We embrace Open Educational Resources (OER) to make courses more affordable and accessible. We also incorporate Universal Design for Learning (UDL), an education framework that includes various strategies to fit diverse learners.

As the BSN program director, I advise students to strive for success, set lofty goals, and pursue them passionately. I instruct pupils to ignore those who try to convince them that they cannot do something significant. I guide scholars to seek an education as a safeguard against sentiments of what could have been. Become a lifelong learner and focus on your future career.

Earn a valuable degree that enhances your quality of life and prepares you to make a difference to yourself, your family, and your community. I hope you join Goodwin's nurturing nursing community. We're ready to support you to become your best self."

Dr. Vivienne Friday, MSN, RN, CNE Chief Nurse Administrator, Interim Dean of Nursing, BSN Program Director, and Associate Professor

Dr. Vivienne Friday is an experienced nurse educator with specific concentrations in the healthcare and well-being of the older populations. She spends her time mentoring nursing students and faculty to help them realize their highest potential. Dr. Friday is also an accomplished, awarded author with scholarly publications and conference presentations from various well-respected nursing leagues and councils.

Dr. Friday's passion for the nursing profession began when watching the midwives and visiting nurses care for the sick in her small Jamaican village. Dr. Friday was the first in her family to graduate from college. As a lifelong learner, she continued her education while embarking on career success.

Now the Chief Nurse Administrator, Interim Dean of Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), and Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) program director for Goodwin University, Dr. Friday will continue to impact the lives of students, faculty, and staff — just as the visiting nurses in her village inspired and motivated her to make a difference years ago.

Advance your nursing career through our RN-to-BSN Degree Completion program.



Sharpen the skills you use every day.

As a registered nurse, you practice core nursing concepts every day. Your extensive knowledge of human anatomy, medical procedures, and care plans are the foundation of your career. At Goodwin, we are dedicated to helping you further develop those skills and gain more experience in the field of Nursing.

Become eligible for leadership roles in your organization.

By earning your bachelor's degree in Nursing, you'll demonstrate your commitment to becoming a more informed, experienced healthcare professional. Not only does this advance your personal sense of achievement, but it shows your employer that you are prepared to take on more responsibility in your role as an RN. Earning your BSN will open you up to a world of new career opportunities, including supervisory and managerial roles within your current organization and even higher salary potential. In fact, the average annual salary for nurses who hold a BSN was \$77,600 in May 2021.*





Expand your professional network.

In addition to the personal benefits that arise from earning your BSN, you'll have an opportunity to expand your network of professional colleagues here at Goodwin University. You'll interact with other registered nurses and form relationships that could grow into larger professional opportunities in the future. Your coursework will involve sharing specific examples from your work experience — learning from one another's experiences will help shape you into a more well-rounded nurse and give you a wealth of knowledge to refer to in future patient care settings.

Earn your BSN at Goodwin University.

Flexible class schedules

Whether you're working full-time or taking care of your family, we believe that your personal life is just as important as earning your degree. We have flexible class schedules that are offered entirely online, —you can earn your degree part-time in as few as 12 months! You shouldn't sacrifice time with the people you love to further your career, and at Goodwin, you don't have to.





We put you first.

At Goodwin University, we have a 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, our Ann B Clark Co-op, and more. While you're earning your degree, we'll be there to support you every step of the way!

A focus on career readiness

Pursuing your bachelor's degree in Nursing can be a pathway to a more fulfilling, well-compensated career — that's why Goodwin University is committed to preparing you for success in your field. Our curriculum is designed to help you build on the skills you already use in your nursing career, resulting in a deeper understanding of more advanced nursing concepts. The training you receive in our program will transform you into a more experienced, qualified healthcare professional.



Curriculum

ADN or Diploma Pre-Licensure Program - 62 Credits*

- API (SCI)
- AP II (SCI)
- MICRO (SCI)
- ENG 101 (WR)
- ENG 1XX (WR)

- PSY 112 (SS)
- PSY 212 (SS)
- SOC 101 (SS)
- Lower Division Nursing Courses

General Education Requirements** - 27 Credits			
ENG 3XX	English Elective	3	
COM 105	Interpersonal Communications	3	
MATH 1XX	Mathematics (MATH)	3	
CAP 115	Learning and Working Through Digital Technologies	3	
STAT 167	Principles of Statistics	3	
PBH 305	Ethics in Public Health	3	
HIS 1XX	History Elective	3	
	Humanities (HIS, PHIL, SPAN, HUM)	3	
SOC 320	Health and Social Issues in Aging	3	
Open Electives - 7 Credits			
OPEN	Elective (1XX)	4	
OPEN	Elective (1XX)	3	

Curriculum continued on next page.

*Students may receive 62 credits for previous nursing course work via the Connecticut Articulation Model.

** General Education courses require a grade of C or better to meet the graduation requirements from the BSN Program.

Curriculum (cont'd)

Upper Division Nursing Courses - 24 Credits			
NUR 300	Foundations of Professional Nursing	3	
NUR 310	Health Assessment	3	
NUR 351	Introduction to Nursing Research	3	
NUR 361	Public and Community Health Nursing	3	
NUR 380	Pharmacotherapeutics Across the Lifespan	3	
NUR 459	Introduction to Healthcare Policy and Advocacy	3	
NUR 461	Leadership and Management in Nursing	3	
NUR 3XX*	Directed Elective, OR	3	
NUR 4XX*	Directed Elective	3	

TOTAL CREDITS IN THE PROGRAM: 120

* Directed elective courses may be taken in business, health science, human services, and organizational leadership at the appropriate levels.

Course format

Our RN-to BSN program is designed for busy, working RNs!

We understand that you're juggling work and personal responsibilities — that's why our RN-to-BSN program is offered entirely online! Our curriculum can be completed part-time in as few as twelve months. At Goodwin, we're all about convenience.

Online classes

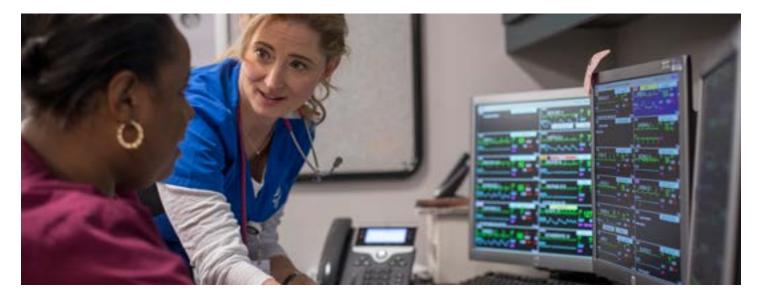
Online courses are perfect for RNs who are working full-time while pursuing their BSN. At Goodwin, we offer synchronous and asynchronous online courses to help you work around your busy schedule.

Synchronous

Some courses in this program are offered in the form of online, face-to-face meetings with your classmates and faculty. This gives you the opportunity to engage in important conversations and debates regarding your course material. Participating in synchronous learning sessions gives you the experience of an in-person class setting without the inconvenience of having to drive to campus.

Asynchronous

Our asynchronous courses are the perfect way to earn your degree while working around your busy schedule. Asynchronous courses can be completed on your time and don't require any face-to-face meetings, so they're a great fit for the working professional. You'll work independently to complete your assignments and touch base with our faculty along the way to make sure you're getting the support you need.



RN-to-BSN Degree Completion program admissions requirements

Applicants to the RN-to-BSN Degree Completion program must:

- Hold a current unencumbered Registered Nurse license in the state where they practice nursing*
- Complete the application for admission into Goodwin University (applicants to the Nursing program must first meet the requirements for admission and be accepted into Goodwin University)
- Complete the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Application, and
- Attend an academic advising session with a Nursing Department Academic Advisor

Financial Aid information

Paying for college doesn't have to be stressful — our fixed tuition model makes it easy to understand the costs of your education before classes even begin.

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

Check out our **financial aid page** to find out how Goodwin University can help you pay for your education.

Testimonials



"Going back to get my BSN was one of the best decisions I ever made. I am a more culturally competent, wellrounded, and enthusiastic nurse because of the RN-BSN program at Goodwin."



"I worked full-time as an RN while pursuing my BSN. Goodwin's flexible scheduling allowed me to fit classes into my busy life."

Rebecca Whiting, BSN, RN, Graduate





"Goodwin always made me feel like a person rather than a number. This is why I chose to continue my education from ADN to BSN with their flexible online program. I was able immerse myself in my new career and complete my RN-to-BSN in 16 months."

Ralene Saglio, BSN, RN, Graduate



"I was excited when I returned to Goodwin for my bachelor's degree. This time I was a working mom. I was able to work two jobs as a school nurse and still complete all my requirements completely online. The RN-to-BSN program was so flexible, and the campus is welcoming to working parents."

Jennifer DeGumbia, BSN, RN, Graduate

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

Academic Support

- Academic Success Center
- Library
- Math Lab
- Tutoring

College Experience

- Clubs and Organizations
- Student Engagement

Personal Support Services

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

Professional Development

• Lifetime Career Services





Contact us today! Call: 800-889-3282 Text: 860-467-1511 www.goodwin.edu/bsn

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 <u>Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)</u>. 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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