

Sierra College – Ohio University Plan

RN to BSN Online Program Pathway

The Ohio University School of Nursing RN to BSN program is designed especially for registered nurses (RNs) who want to further their education and advance their career by earning a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). We realize that nurses juggle multiple demands — career, family and classes — and carving out time to drive to campus and sit for a lecture can be a challenge. The online RN to BSN program provides flexibility to earn a valuable degree through anytime anywhere learning.

- Start your RN to BSN courses regardless of how many prerequisites you have completed.
- Review study materials and submit assignments online.
- Learn from distinguished professors while having the daily support of an academic coach.
- Complete each nursing course in only 5 weeks using our media-rich online learning system.

Admission Requirements

- Applicants must be a graduate of an approved program (or its equivalent) that prepares individuals to sit for the registered nurse licensing exam (NCLEX-RN) and be a resident of one of the Ohio University authorized states. Check undergraduate admissions website or call the School of Nursing for a list of current approved states. For a list of current states, please visit www.ohio.edu/chsp/nursing/rn-bsn/eligibility.
- Students must have completed the equivalent of ENG 1510 to be admitted to the major. Otherwise, students will be reviewed for the pre-major
- Combined 2.0 GPA from all prior college-level coursework.
- Official transcripts sent directly to Ohio University from all colleges and universities you have attended.

Application Information

Apply online ohio.edu/admissions/apply

Students can complete this program through OHIO Online

Submit all college-level transcripts to:

Undergraduate Admissions
Ohio University
Chubb Hall 120
1 Ohio University Drive
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E-mail general questions to

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For more information visit www.ohio.edu/sierracollege



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Degree Requirements

To qualify for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, a student must complete all Ohio University graduation requirements: general education, college, major, and residency. You may have met many of these requirements during your previous nursing education program. Students must earn a minimum of 30 semester hours of Ohio University credit, complete a minimum of 50% of the nursing course requirements at Ohio University, and complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours for graduation (elective hours may be required).

Ohio University BRICKS General Education Requirements

BRICKS is Ohio University's general education program, and requirements must be fulfilled by all baccalaureate degree students. BRICKS includes a minimum of 38 credit hours across five categories: Foundations, Pillars, Arches, Bridges, and Capstone. Courses used to satisfy BRICKS requirements may be completed through Sierra College or OHIO Online. The table below lists Sierra College courses that have direct course equivalencies at Ohio University which meet BRICKS requirements. General education courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets.

OHIO BRICKS Requirement	Sierra College Course Numbers
FOUNDATIONS	Take one course from each listed category
Written Communication	[ENGL 0001A]
Advanced Writing	BUS 0265; COMM 0072; ENGL 0001B, ENGL 0001C
Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 0012, [MATH 0013], [MATH 0013A and MATH0013B], MATH 0019, MATH 0029, MATH 0031, MATH 0042; PHIL 0004
Intercultural Explorations	ADMJ 58; ANTH 0002; COMM 0007; HIST 0051; POLS 0002; SOC 0004
PILLARS	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)
Humanities: Texts and Contexts	ENGL 30A, ENGL 30B, ENGL 46A, ENGL 46B; HIST 0004A, HIST 0004B; HUM 0015; PHIL 0002, PHIL 0006
Humanities: Arts	ARHI 0101, ARHI 0110, ARHI 0120; ART 0002; MUS 0002, MUS 0013
Natural Sciences	BIOL 0001, BIOL 0002, BIOL 0003, [BIOL 0004], [BIOL 0005 and BIOL 0006], [BIOL 0006 and BIOL 0007A and BIOL 0007B], BIOL 0011, BIOL 0021; [CHEM 0001A], [CHEM 0002A], [CHEM 0002B],[CHEM 0003A and CHEM 0003B]; ESCI 0001 and ESCI 0001L, ESCI 0003; GEOG 0001 and GEOG 0001L; PHYS 0105 and PHYS 0105L, PHYS 0205 and PHYS 0205L
Social or Behavioral Sciences	ECON 0001A, ECON 0001B; GEOG 0002, GEOG 0005; HIST 0017A, HIST 0017B, HIST 0050, HIST 0051; POLS 0001, POLS 0003; [PSYC 0100]; SOC 0001, SOC 0027; WMST 0001
ARCHES	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 3 credits each)
Constructed World	ARHI 0130; MATH 0030; PHIL 0010; [PSYC 0142]; SOC 0009; THEA 0013
Natural World	ANTH 0001, ASTR 0002, ASTR 0005; BIOL 0005 and BIOL 0006, [BIOL 0006 and BIOL 0007A and BIOL 0007B]; [CHEM 0001B]; PHYS 0110 and PHYS 0110L, PHYS 210 and PHYS 210L
Connected World	ADMJ 50; ANTH 0002, ANTH 0005; [HDEV 0009]; POLS 0002, POLS 16; PSYC 0103, PSYC 0107, PSYC 0140; SOC 0002, SOC 0004, SOC 0009, SOC 0015
BRIDGES	Take one course from each listed category (minimum 1 credit each)
Speaking and Listening	COMM 0001
Ethics and Reasoning	COMM 0001
Diversity and Practice	ARHI 0130; COMM 0001; RECM 0010; SOC 0003
Learning and Doing	No current equivalencies
CAPSTONE	Minimum 2 credits (no current equivalencies)

BRICKS and Prior Degree Completion

Students who complete an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), or bachelor's degree from an accredited institution* prior to



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enrollment in a degree-seeking program at Ohio University will receive transfer credit equivalent to fulfilling Ohio University's BRICKS general education requirements in Foundations (excluding the Advanced Writing component, which requires completion of an equivalent course), Pillars, and Arches. Students who have not completed an approved degree will have their courses evaluated individually to determine appropriate general education requirement fulfillment. *Institutions must be accredited by regional accrediting commissions recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) to qualify.

Nursing Support Courses

Courses may be completed through Sierra College or OHIO Online.

General education requirement courses that may also satisfy program requirements are inside brackets ([]).

Complete 9 courses.

Courses with a caret (^) designates course requirement waivers, not a course equivalent.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number	Sierra College Course Number
English Composition	[ENG 1510]	[ENGL 0001A]
Elementary Statistics	[MATH 1500], [MATH 2500], [PSY 1110], [PSY 2110], or QBA 2010	[MATH 0013] or [MATH 0013A and MATH0013B]
Elementary Microbiology	[BIOS 2010] or [BIOS 2210]	[BIOL 0004]
Introduction to Psychology	[PSY 1010]	[PSYC 0100]
Introduction to Child Development and Adolescent Psychology	[EDEC 1600] or [PSY 2410] or HDFS 2710^	[HDEV 0009] or HDEV 0001^
Principles of Anatomy and Physiology	[BIOS 1300] and [BIOS 1310]	[BIOL 0005 and BIOL 0006] or [BIOL 0006 and BIOL 007A and BIOL 007B]
Principles of Chemistry	[CHEM 1205 & CHEM 1205L], [CHEM 1210], or [CHEM 1510]	[CHEM 0002A] or [CHEM 0001A] or [CHEM 0003A and CHEM 0003B]

Nursing Major Requirements

Courses should be completed through OHIO Online.

OHIO Course Name	OHIO Course Number
Principles of Professional Nursing Practice	[NRSE 4515] (completes OHIO BRICKS Bridges: Speaking and Listening and Bridges: Ethics and Reasoning Requirements)
Health Assessment & Promotion Across the Lifespan	NRSE 4525
Professional Nursing Care of the Family	NRSE 4535
Professional Nursing Care of the Community and Populations	NRSE 4585
Scholarship for Professional Nursing Practice	NRSE 4575
Principles of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Professional and Intercultural Nursing Practice	[NRSE 4555] (completes OHIO BRICKS Bridges: Diversity and Practice Requirement and Foundations: Intercultural Explorations)
Leadership in Professional Nursing Practice	NRSE 4565
Professional Nursing Practice Capstone	[NRSE 4595] (completes OHIO BRICKS Capstone and Bridges: Learning and Doing Requirements)
Informatics and Safety Essentials for Professional Nursing Practice	NRSE 4545



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The information on this guide is based on the catalog requirements posted in the 2025-2026 Ohio University catalog and related Sierra College equivalents as of the Last Updated date. All information is subject to change without notice. Students must complete a minimum of 120 total semester hours, are responsible for tracking their degree completion on their DARS, and are encouraged to work with an Ohio University academic advisor in their degree planning. Courses are subject to availability at each institution. It is suggested that students meet with an advisor to discuss course selection based on offered options. **Last Updated:** 6/20/2025



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