

HERZING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSNMN)

(Offered at the Minneapolis Campus Only)

Herzing University offers a comprehensive four-year bachelor's degree in nursing. The curriculum focuses on health promotion, risk reduction, disease prevention, illness, and disease management and includes information about healthcare technologies using evidence-based practice. The liberal arts education core provides a strong foundation for developing clinical judgment and critical thinking skills required in professional nursing.

This BSN program is approved by the Minnesota State Board of Nursing and prepares students to take the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) upon completion of the program. Graduates who successfully pass this national examination will be qualified to practice as registered nurses in the state in which they took the examination and will also be qualified to apply for licensure in all 50 states.

Students will begin the program by taking general education courses the first semester. The following semesters, the general education and nursing courses will build on each other and will be integrated throughout the program. Theoretical instruction is integrated with clinical experience in a variety of healthcare settings in order to provide a broad, holistic, and reality-based understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a professional nurse.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Utilize theoretical foundations from the liberal arts to support nursing practice.
2. Practice in roles appropriate for the baccalaureate nurse generalist in providing, designing, managing, and coordinating care for individuals, families, populations, and communities.
3. Incorporate levels of prevention in providing care to diverse populations across the lifespan.
4. Critically analyze information to make defensible nursing judgments, and utilize evidence-based practice and health policy in providing patient care.
5. Provide culturally competent care.
6. Utilize the nursing process to provide competent, safe, and holistic care that encompasses the physical, psychological, developmental, sociocultural, and spiritual dimensions of patients across the lifespan.
7. Demonstrate effective verbal, written, and group communication skills.
8. Demonstrate ethical practice individually and within an interdisciplinary healthcare environment.
9. Demonstrate a commitment to the role of the professional nurse.
10. Think critically at a conceptual level and by using mathematical analysis as well as the scientific method; write and speak effectively; use basic computer applications; and understand human behavior in the context of the greater society in a culturally diverse world.

SPECIAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

This nursing program is a selective admissions program which means not everyone who applies is accepted. The selection is based on multiple factors, including high school or college grade point average and the score on the applicable nursing admissions test, normally the national Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). The best-qualified applicants are offered admission into the program.

GENERAL EDUCATION PREREQUISITES

The following general education prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C+" (76%) for a student to be continued in the nursing program.

- ◆ Anatomy and Physiology With Lab
- ◆ Microbiology
- ◆ College Algebra and Statistics
- ◆ Chemistry

All other general education courses must be passed with a grade of "D" or better to be continued in the nursing program.

A student who is dropped from the nursing program for failing to achieve the minimum grade specified in the general education courses but who otherwise meets the academic standards of the University may transfer to another Herzing degree program and/or may reapply to the nursing program in a future cycle.

POTENTIAL JOB POSITIONS

Graduates will be eligible to take the National Council Licensing Examination for registered nurses and will be prepared for entry-level positions as a baccalaureate-prepared generalist registered nurse. Utilizing *The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice* as a framework, graduates will be primary providers of direct and indirect care in many different settings, including acute care, chronic care, and public health. In providing care, nurses will also serve as patient advocates and educators. The focus of care may be an individual, a group, or a specific population. Graduates will also be prepared to assume first-line management positions.

PROGRAM CONTENT

A minimum of 120.00 semester credit hours is required for graduation.

REQUIRED COURSES IN NURSING

All courses, 70.00 semester credit hours, are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Credit Hours
NM 121L	Introduction to Professional Nursing	Corequisite NM 125	6.00
NM 125	The Professional Nurse of the Future	Corequisite NM 121L	2.00
NM 130	Adult Health I	NM 121L; Corequisite NM 130L	4.00
NM 130L	Clinical Nursing	NM 121L; Corequisite NM 130	3.00
NM 135	Pharmacology	NM 121L	3.00
NM 220	Adult Health II	NM 130, NM 130L, NM 135 and NM 250; Corequisite NM 220L	4.00
NM 220L	Clinical Nursing II	NM 130, NM 130L, NM 135 and NM 250; Corequisite NM 220	4.00
NM 230L	Psychiatric Nursing: Contemporary Practice	NM 220 and NM 220L	4.00
NM 245	Cultural Diversity in Nursing	NM 220 and NM 220L	3.00
NM 250	Applied Pathophysiology	NM 121L	3.00
NM 335	Designing and Managing Nursing Care	NM 125	2.00
NM 341L	Family Nursing I	NM 135, NM 220, NM 220L and NM 250; Corequisite NM 346L	4.00
NM 346L	Family Nursing II	NM 135, NM 220, NM 220L and NM 250; Corequisite NM 341L	4.00
NM 350L	Public Health Nursing	NM 460L	4.00
NM 410	Ethics in Nursing	NM 125	2.00
NM 420	Gerontological Nursing	NM 220 and NM 220L	2.00
NM 460L	Clinical Nursing III	NM 220 and NM 220L	4.00
NM 465	Nursing Research	None	3.00
NM 470	Preceptorship Seminar	None	1.00
NM 480	Leadership and Issues in Nursing	NM 335	2.00
NM 485L	Nursing Preceptorship With NClex Review	NM 470	6.00

REQUIRED COURSES IN GENERAL EDUCATION

Students enrolled in this bachelor's degree must complete a minimum of 48.00 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for Herzing University courses that would satisfy these requirements. *

- 8.00 Semester Credit Hours in Anatomy and Physiology With Lab
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Microbiology With Lab
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Chemistry With Lab
- 2.00 Semester Credit Hours in Natural Science
- 6.00 Semester Credit Hours in English Composition or Literature
- 3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Speech
- 4.00 Semester Credit Hours in Computer Applications ♦
- 7.00 Semester Credit Hours in Mathematics (College Algebra and Statistics)
- 6.00 Semester Credit Hours in Social or Behavioral Science
- 6.00 Semester Credit Hours in Humanities

- * Transfer students may transfer courses that are within 1.00 semester credit hour of the courses listed above to meet these discipline requirements. Any resulting deficiency in the total of 48.00 semester credit hours required in general education may be made up with general education electives from any of the listed disciplines.
- ♦ The state of Minnesota requires a minimum of 30.00 semester credit hours of general education for bachelor's degrees, not counting computer applications. However, all Herzing University students in the BSNMN program must complete a minimum of 48.00 semester credit hours in general education, including computer applications, to complete the requirement for graduation from this bachelor's degree program.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

2.00 semester credit hours are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisite	Credit Hours
PD 121	Professional Development I	None	1.00
PD 202	Professional Development II	None	1.00

Distribution of Clock Hours by Course					
Course or Category	Lecture	Lab	Clinical	Total Clock Hours	Credits
EN 104 (English Composition or Literature)	45.00			45.00	3.00
EN 116 (Speech)	45.00			45.00	3.00
EN 250 (English Composition or Literature)	45.00			45.00	3.00
HU 101 (Humanities)	45.00			45.00	3.00
HU 320 (Humanities)	45.00			45.00	3.00
IS 102 (Computer Applications)	60.00			60.00	4.00
MA 107 (Mathematics)	60.00			60.00	4.00
MA 320 (Mathematics)	45.00			45.00	3.00
NM 121L	60.00	60.00		120.00	6.00
NM 125	30.00			30.00	2.00
NM 130	60.00			60.00	4.00
NM 130L		30.00	90.00	120.00	3.00
NM 135	45.00			45.00	3.00
NM 220	60.00			60.00	4.00

Distribution of Clock Hours by Course					
Course or Category	Lecture	Lab	Clinical	Total Clock Hours	Credits
NM 220L		75.00	67.50	142.50	4.00
NM 230L	45.00		45.00	90.00	4.00
NM 245	45.00			45.00	3.00
NM 250	45.00			45.00	3.00
NM 335	30.00			30.00	2.00
NM 341L	30.00	30.00	45.00	105.00	4.00
NM 346L	30.00	30.00	45.00	105.00	4.00
NM 350L	45.00		45.00	90.00	4.00
NM 410	30.00			30.00	2.00
NM 420	30.00			30.00	2.00
NM 460L	45.00	30.00		75.00	4.00
NM 465	45.00			45.00	3.00
NM 470	15.00			15.00	1.00
NM 480	30.00			30.00	2.00
NM 485L			270.00	270.00	6.00
PS 101 (Social or Behavioral Science)	45.00			45.00	3.00
SC 145 (Anatomy and Physiology)	45.00			45.00	3.00
SC 145L (Anatomy and Physiology)		30.00		30.00	1.00
SC 150 (Natural Science)	30.00			30.00	2.00
SC 165 (Microbiology)	30.00			30.00	2.00
SC 165L (Microbiology)		30.00		30.00	1.00
SC 185 (Chemistry)	30.00			30.00	2.00
SC 185L (Chemistry)		30.00		30.00	1.00
SC 245 (Anatomy and Physiology)	45.00			45.00	3.00
SC 245L (Anatomy and Physiology)		30.00		30.00	1.00
SS 350 (Social or Behavioral Science)	45.00			45.00	3.00
Personal/Professional Development	30.00			30.00	2.00
Totals	1,410.00	375.00	607.50	2,392.50	120.00

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at <http://www.herzing.edu/academics/nursing>