Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Prepare to be a leader in today’s health care environment.

THE RIVIER UNIVERSITY ADVANTAGE
Rivier’s Nursing program prepares you for a career in the nursing field with extensive hands-on clinical experience.

At Rivier, academic excellence is offered and great achievement is expected. You will transform yourself through engaging classroom interaction, powerful study abroad experiences, challenging internships and life-changing community service. Our mission—transforming hearts and minds to serve the world—ensures that you will find a rich global experience in our vibrant campus community. Faculty members bring real-world experience to their classrooms and are dedicated to the success of every student.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM
Rivier University has the largest pre-licensure undergraduate nursing program in New Hampshire and has been a regional leader in nursing education for over 30 years. Rivier’s physical assessment and nursing skills simulation laboratories are equipped with a wide array of hi-fidelity patient simulators including, SIM Man, SIM Baby, SIM Kid and Noelle, the birthing simulator. Simulation labs offer interactive learning systems providing hands-on experience on campus as well as in clinical rotations.

Our faculty consist of highly qualified and experienced nurse educators and practitioners who share their expertise and perspective with students and help them find their niche in nursing. Rivier’s faculty have been recognized for excellence by a number of agencies and organizations and hold key leadership roles in regional and national organizations. Faculty and alumni have served as officers and board members of the NH Nurse Practitioner Association; held leadership roles in the New Hampshire Nurses Association Government Affairs Commission and Association of Public Health Nurses; and served as expert evaluators for the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN, 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326). Alumni have also served as President-elect of Sigma Theta Tau/Epsilon Tau Chapter.

Rivier University nursing graduates hold positions at top hospitals and other health care institutions in the region.

ACCESS THE WORLD
Internships, study abroad, and co-curricular opportunities
Nursing education includes extensive hands-on experience in the clinical area. Clinical nursing courses may include two clinical days or evenings, two weekend days, or one 12-hour day in addition to two theory classes each week. Students may be assigned to clinical agencies within a 50-mile radius of the University.

Nursing students have the opportunity to participate in study abroad learning immersion trips that complement coursework and academics with real-world experience and service in another country. For students, the opportunity provides capstone hours, experiential learning, cross-discipline academics, and global engagement. Students are invited to participate in faculty-led study abroad opportunities.
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

In fulfillment of the general education core degree requirements, the following courses must be taken.

HUMANITIES
- ENG 115  - Expositions and Arguments
- HIS 203  - Interactions: the West in the World I
  or
- HIS 204  - Interactions: the West in the World II
- HUM 200 - Literature, Art and the Human
- JYS - One Justice and Global Responsibility course
- LNS 108   - Student Success: Campus to Community I
- LNS 109   - Student Success: Campus to Community II
- PHI - One Ethics, Values, Moral Choices course
- REL - One Faith, Religion and Social Justice course
- REL 115 - FYS: God and the Created Order
- SL 100 - Serving the World
  - one Modern Language course

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
- PSY 101 - General Psychology
- PSY 212 - Life Span Development
- SOC - Sociology elective

NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS
- BIO 105  - Human Anatomy and Physiology I
- BIO 106  - Human Anatomy and Physiology II
- BIO 112  - Stewards of the Living World
- BIO 201 - Medical Microbiology
- MA 110  - Introductory Statistics
- MA 112 - College Algebra
  or General Elective
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- MA 110  - Introductory Statistics
- MA 112 - College Algebra
- MA 110  - Introductory Statistics
- MA 112 - College Algebra

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
- NSG 101  - Nursing Fundamentals
- NSG 102  - Care of the Adult I
- NSG 201  - Mental Health Nursing
- NSG 202  - Care of the Childbearing Family
- NSG 205  - Care of the Child
- NSG 222 - Pathopharmacology I
- NSG 223 - Pathopharmacology II
- NSG 302 - Health, Policy and Politics
- NSG 310 - Health Assessment
- NSG 330 - Research Methods
- NSG 404 - Leadership and Management in Health Care
- NSG 406 - Family and Community Health Nursing
- NSG 430 - Care of the Acutely Ill Adult
- NSG 456 - Care of the Adult with Complex Health Concerns
- NSG 457 - Senior Capstone Seminar
- PH 101 - Introduction to Public Health

GENERAL ELECTIVES

Students choose additional courses to reach the total number of credits required for the degree.

ACADEMIC ACCREDITATION

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