



UNIVERSITY OF SIOUX FALLS



NEED FOR NURSES

The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects 193,100 openings for RNs each year in the US through 2032.

LIFE CREDITS

LPNs entering the BSN program get **30 credits** towards graduation based on their current LPN status.

USF recognizes what you have already accomplished while supporting your education and career goals.

LPN to BSN

The LPN to BSN option is designed for current licensed practical nurses (LPNs) who want to complete the requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

The University of Sioux Falls offers an exciting, flexible and hands-on nursing program designed to give you the tools you need to be a competent, bachelor's degree-prepared nurse. **All theory courses in the LPN to BSN program track are offered online** to accommodate the working adult student. The bachelor's degree in nursing at the University of Sioux Falls is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Upon completion of this program, you are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a registered nurse.

What can I do with a degree in nursing?

With a nursing degree from USF, you will be prepared to work in hospitals, clinics, home healthcare agencies, skilled nursing facilities, schools and other areas within the healthcare field. In addition, you may decide to pursue an advanced degree in the field of nursing, which will increase your salary and marketability.

JOB TITLE	MEDIAN NATIONAL WAGE	MEDIAN SD WAGE
Registered Nurse	\$77,600	\$60,550
Certified Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)	\$195,610	\$195,380
Nurse Midwife	\$112,830	NA
Nurse Practitioner and Family Nurse Practitioner	\$120,680	\$102,060
Nursing Teacher, Postsecondary	\$77,440	\$63,740

* Data published by U.S. and S.D. Departments of Labor at the Career One Stop: careeronestop.org

Four Year Sample Plan

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (LPN to BSN)

Theory courses delivered online, simulation and clinical experiences on-site.

FALL		SPRING	
Course	s.h.	Course	s.h.
BIO315: Human Physiology	4	SDV100: Student Development 1	1
CHE121: Introduction to Chemistry	4	NUR323: Applied Pathophysiology	4
Liberal Art Coursework	6	NUR200: Nursing Foundations for the LPN to BSN Student	4
		Liberal Art Coursework	3
Total	14	Total	12

SUMMER		FALL	
Course	s.h.	Course	s.h.
NUR327: Pharmacology for Nurses	4	NUR345: Medical-Surgical Nursing LPN to BSN	4
NUR305: Cultural, Spiritual and Ethical Dimensions of Holistic Care	3	Liberal Art Coursework	6
Liberal Art Coursework	3		
Total	10	Total	10

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SPRING		SUMMER	
Course	s.h.	Course	s.h.
NUR415: Maternal Newborn Nursing LPN to BSN	2.5	NUR354: Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NUR416: Pediatric Nursing LPN to BSN	2.5	NUR424: Public Health Nursing	4
NUR432: Mental Health Nursing	4	Liberal Art Coursework	6
Liberal Art Coursework	3		
Total	12	Total	13

FALL	
Course	s.h.
NUR441: High Acuity Nursing	5
NUR451: Management, Leadership and Professional Issues	4
NUR431: Nursing Capstone	3
Total	12

Learning Outcomes

The USF nursing program will enable you to achieve the following:

- Actualize the Christian values of love, compassion and servant leadership in nursing practice.
- Utilize evidence-based practice within an ethical framework to guide person-centered care, building on a foundation of the arts and sciences.
- Demonstrate clinical judgement by recognizing and analyzing assessment cues, performing appropriate actions, and evaluating and reflecting on the outcomes of those actions.
- Integrate intentional communication and information technologies to enhance the healthcare experience and strengthen outcomes.
- Demonstrate a commitment to lifelong learning in order to respond to complex systems of healthcare.
- Apply knowledge for nursing practice across multiple spheres of care, recognizing the impact that the social determinants of health have on populations.
- Promote health across the lifespan, appreciating diversity in all its forms.
- Model and appreciate the importance of self-reflection and the fostering of well-being while developing a capacity for both formal and informal leadership.

Admission Requirements

- School of Nursing application
- One essay question
- Three professional references
- Approved background check
- Minimum LPN coursework GPA of 2.75
- Active unencumbered LPN license
- *By the time the first nursing course begins
- Personal interview (if requested)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

CREDIT AWARDED FOR LPN COURSEWORK (30 s.h.)

PREREQUISITE SCIENCE COURSES (12 s.h.)

BIO314	Anatomy (if anatomy not taken as part of LPN coursework)
BIO315	Human Physiology
CHE121	Introduction to Chemistry

NURSING MAJOR COURSES (47 s.h.)

NUR200	Nursing Foundations for the LPN to BSN Student*
NUR305	Cultural, Spiritual and Ethical Dimensions of Holistic Care
NUR323	Applied Pathophysiology
NUR327	Pharmacology for Nurses
NUR345	Medical-Surgical Nursing LPN to BSN*
NUR354	Evidence-Based Nursing Practice
NUR424	Public Health Nursing*
NUR431	Nursing Capstone*
NUR432	Mental Health Nursing*
NUR441	High Acuity Nursing*
NUR415	Maternal Newborn Nursing LPN to BSN*
NUR416	Pediatric Nursing LPN to BSN*
NUR451	Management, Leadership and Professional Issues

NURSING SUPPORTIVE COURSES (9 s.h.)

PSY201	General Psychology
PSY211	Human Development
EXS220	Nutrition

LIBERAL ARTS CORE COURSE REQUIREMENTS (19 s.h.)

*Course includes a lab or clinical

Bachelor's degree candidates must complete 120 s.h.

Prerequisite and supportive courses can be USF courses or course equivalents.



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