A Higher Degree of Success

Make no small plans for they have no capacity to stir men’s souls. . . . Source Unknown

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Bachelors of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN)

- Designed for students who have earned the Associate Degree in Nursing
- Licensed as an RN in Florida, Alabama or Georgia with a valid and unencumbered nursing license and must be kept current throughout the duration of the required course of study
RN-BSN

- Focuses on advancement of professional nursing practice
- Content to broaden and strengthen nursing knowledge and skills
- Prepares nurses to work in diverse health care settings
Guiding Principles

- National League for Nursing’s Competency Model 2010
- Joint Commission National Patient Safety Goals
- Florida Board of Nursing Educational Requirements
- Alabama Board of Nursing Educational Requirements
- Florida Department of Education Requirements
- American Association of Colleges 2008
- Health People 2020
Student Learning Outcomes

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• N1  Apply current leadership and management concepts, skills, and decision making in the provision of high quality nursing care in a variety of settings

• N2  Critically evaluate evidence-based research findings from various sources to determine their relevance and application to current nursing practice to improve patient outcomes

• N3  Evaluate needs within various practice settings and formulate teaching plans based identified needs to improve health care delivery
Student Learning Outcomes

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- N4 Serve as a change agent and client advocate in the practice of professional nursing with individuals, families, groups, and communities
- N5 Utilize effective communication techniques in professional relationships to promote teambuilding and effective client care
- N6 Identify and deliver culturally sensitive care to diverse populations within various practice settings
Curriculum

- Developed by faculty
- Reviewed at least quarterly for rigor and currency
- Evidence-based concentration
- Changes reviewed by advisory committee
Methods of Assessment

Formative and Summative

- Discussion Boards
- Power Point Development
- Teaching Plans
- Scholarly Papers
- Portfolio Assessments
- Examinations
Program Length and Requirements

- A minimum of 120 semester hours must be completed to earn a bachelors degree.
- The BSN curriculum is a 60 credit program.
- Students may enter in the Spring, Summer, or Fall semesters.
- 30 credit hours are nursing specific with remaining 30 designated for general education.
- At least 40 of the hours must be numbered in the 3000 or above range.
- 30 of the 40 hours must be in residence at Chipola College.
- A total of 60 semester hours of work credited toward the bachelors degree must be earned in an accredited senior institution.
Requirements

- Minimum overall GPA of 2.5 in all college credit course work
- Minimum grade of “C” in all Florida Common Course Prerequisites applicable to the AS to BSN degree program
Best Practice Guidelines

- NUR 4955 is the capstone course with 60 clinical hours dedicated to a preceptorship with a MSN level RN or higher in a supervisory, managerial, or leadership role.
- Each nursing course has an identified artifact that will become part of the BSN portfolio to be submitted with the capstone in the final semester of the program.
Evidence of Achievement

- Program completion
- Program Satisfaction
- Job Placement
- Employer Satisfaction
Nursing Courses

- NUR 3065  Health assessment
- NUR 3165  Research
- NUR 3185  Multicultural
- NUR 3805  Role & Scope
- NUR 3826  Legal Ethical Nursing
- NUR 4080  Nursing Concepts
- NUR 4107  Health Care Systems
- NUR 4636  Community Health Nursing
- NUR 4827  Leadership
- NUR 4955  Nursing Practicum (Capstone Course)
National Patient Safety Goals

- National Patient Safety Goals are integrated into each nursing course
RN-BSN

- Opens doors for new opportunities and job promotions
- Advanced level of practice as a Registered Nurse
- Provides a bridge to enter graduate programs
- Pathway to success in the nursing profession
Making the Difference

- Faculty Preparation
- Guidelines for Online Format
- Assessment Methods
- Capstone Course
Let the Journey Begin!!