



Georgetown University

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE Nursing

## Launching the Next Generation of Nurses

Nursing is a dynamic, challenging, and vibrant field in health care. As nurses have assumed more diverse health care responsibilities over the years, the need for professional nurses with a Bachelor of Science degree has become greater than ever. Georgetown provides the critical thinking skills necessary to become excellent health care providers.

Georgetown's four-year **Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)** program provides an unparalleled education in the biological, physical, and social sciences essential for success as a professional nurse. Through a holistic approach, the program integrates nursing and science courses including human biology, pathophysiology, pharmacology, chemistry, and microbiology with Georgetown's distinguished liberal arts curriculum. NHS students receive a balanced and well-rounded education that prepares them to face the challenges ahead.

Georgetown BSN students begin their clinical and practical coursework with patient contact in the *first year of study*. This hands-on clinical training intensifies as students enter the sophomore, junior, and senior years, totaling more than 900 clinical hours over the four years in courses such as public health nursing, health care of women, and mental health nursing. Students are exposed to a wide variety of clinical settings—including hospitals, outpatient and community clinics, treatment centers, and long-term care facilities—as well as patient populations diverse in age, gender, health status, socioeconomic background, and geographic distribution.

With more than 200 partner health care facilities in the D.C.-metropolitan area, the options for

specialized clinical study are endless. During the final year, the senior nursing practicum allows students to gain further experience in an area of their choice. Past senior nursing practicum sites have included intensive care units for both children and adults, HIV/AIDS clinics, oncology units, emergency rooms, transplant units, and burn units. Upon graduation, BSN students take the NCLEX-RN exam and enter the nursing profession with the academic competence and clinical skill needed for expert patient care plus the confidence that comes from real-world experience.

### *State-of-the-Art Teaching Tools*

Georgetown was the first privately endowed nursing program in the nation to provide students with clinical classes using a patient simulator. The **Georgetown University Simulator**—known as "GUS"—is a full-body, robotic mannequin that can realistically replicate numerous physiological conditions, symptoms, and pharmacological responses. GUS can be programmed so students can treat the symptoms of a 70-year-old male in cardiac arrest and then be reprogrammed a few minutes later to simulate a young woman in respiratory distress. This remarkable teaching tool allows students to get clinical training and confidence in advanced diagnostic and treatment skills in preparation for treating patients.

BSN students also have access to the NHS **Discovery Center**—a state-of-the-art laboratory and research facility where students conduct primary research that further enhances the principles learned in the classroom.



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## SAMPLE Program of Study BS IN NURSING

### First Year

#### FALL SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Human Biology I	4
Biochemistry & Human Functioning	3
Professional Nursing: Foundations of Practice	2
First Year Colloquium	1
Core Requirement or Elective	3
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<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

#### SPRING SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Human Biology II	4
Health Assessment I	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

### Sophomore Year

#### FALL SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Health Assessment II	3
Nutrition	3
Pathophysiology	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>18</b>

#### SPRING SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Health Promotion/Disease Prevention	2
Fundamental Nursing Interventions	2
Human Growth & Development	3
Pharmacology	3
Genomics	2
Core Requirement or Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>15</b>

### Junior Year

#### FALL SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Mental Health Nursing	4
Care of Adults	5
Nursing Research	2
Integration Seminar	1
Microbiology	4
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

#### SPRING SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Health Care of Women	4
Care of Children	5
Health Care Delivery Systems	2
Core Requirement or Elective	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>17</b>

### Senior Year

#### FALL SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Public Health Nursing	5
Complex Problems I	5
Ethics, Quality, and Decision-Making in Nursing	3
Core Requirement or Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

#### SPRING SEMESTER

Course	Credits
Complex Problems II	3
Senior Nursing Practicum	4
Care of Vulnerable Populations	2
Transitions to Professional Practice	2
Senior Scholarly Project	1
Core Requirement or Elective	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>15</b>

**Core Requirements:** English (2), Theology (2), Philosophy, Ethics, Psychology (2), Sociology



- **Nursing Honors Program**
- **Early Assurance to Graduate School**
- **Over 40 Minors Available**
- **High-tech Patient Simulators**
- **Multiple Study Abroad Programs**
- **Small Clinical Group Size**
- **Excellent First-time NCLEX Pass Rate**

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