If you are interested in a career that combines close human care with strong science, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing should be high among your choices. Changes in our evolving healthcare system have fueled an increased need for skilled nurses. This varied and important work includes recording patient medical histories and symptoms, giving patients medicines and treatments, and setting up plans for patient care or contributing to existing plans.

In the nursing program, you’ll learn to carefully observe patients and record those observations to share with doctors. You may operate and monitor state-of-the-art medical equipment, and assist in performing diagnostic tests and analyzing results. You’ll also learn effective ways to teach patients and their families how to manage illnesses or injuries.

The program helps you develop critical thinking, communication, and therapeutic nursing skills within the framework of transcultural nursing. Upon graduation, you’ll be qualified to manage the nursing care of culturally diverse clients in a variety of settings.

Program highlights:
- Formulate accurate nursing diagnoses based on collected data
- Plan, implement, and evaluate patient-related strategies
- Work with families to identify learning needs and share strategies to reach healthcare goals
- Meet and exceed standards of providing nursing care to a diverse set of clients in varied communities
- Explore and apply findings from research in nursing and related fields

Online and On-campus Programs
Monthly Starts and Accelerated Classes
WSCUC Accredited
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program prepares degree candidates to develop critical thinking, communication and therapeutic nursing skills within the framework of trans-cultural nursing. Graduates are able to manage the nursing care of culturally diverse clients in a variety of settings.

Program Learning Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Develop caring, therapeutic nursing relationships with individuals, families and groups.
- Provide safe, high quality, culturally competent, patient-centered nursing care for individuals across the life span in a variety of settings.
- Participate in the continuous improvement of nursing care quality and safety.
- Use nursing judgment to manage, prioritize, and delegate patient care in a variety of health care settings.
- Effectively communicate and collaborate with patients and the interdisciplinary team.
- Demonstrate professional identity by incorporating established standards of practice within the legal and ethical framework of nursing.
- Apply best, current evidence into nursing practice to achieve desired outcomes.

Degree Requirements
To receive a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), students must complete at least 180 quarter units as articulated below, 45 of which must be completed in residence at National University, 76.5 of which must be completed at the upper-division level, and the University General Education requirements. In the absence of transfer credit, additional general electives may be necessary to satisfy total units for the degree. The following courses are specific degree requirements.

Required General Education Preparation
(18 courses; 69 quarter units)
The following areas of General Education must be completed prior to beginning any preparation for the Major or Nursing Major core coursework: Area A1, A2, Area B, Area C, Area E, and Area F.

AREA A: ENGLISH COMMUNICATION

CATEGORY 1 - Writing
(2 course; 6 quarter units)
ENG 100 Effective College English I (3 quarter units)
ENG 101 Effective College English II (3 quarter units)
Prerequisite: ENG 100

CATEGORY 2 - Speech and Communication
(1 course; 4.5 quarter units)
COM 103 Public Speaking

AREA B: MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING
(1 course; 4.5 quarter units)
BST 322 Intro to Biomedical Statistics

AREA C: INFORMATION LITERACY AND TECHNOLOGY
(1 course; 4.5 quarter units)
ILR 260 Information Literacy
Prerequisite: ENG 100 and ENG 101

AREA D: ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND LANGUAGES
(4 courses; 18 quarter units)
SPN 340A Spanish for the Work Place
SPN 341 Cross-Cultural Communication

For the remaining 9 units (2 courses), see the General Education section of the catalog for applicable courses.

AREA E: SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
(2 courses; 9 quarter units)

PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology
SOC 100 Principles of Sociology
Prerequisite: ENG 100 and ENG 101

AREA F: PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
(6 courses; 18 quarter units)

BIO 201 Human Anatomy & Physiol I
Recommended: Prior completion of: BIO 100, BIO 100A, CHE 101 and CHE 101A or equivalent courses.
BIO 201A Human Anatomy & Physiol Lab I (1.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: BIO 201
BIO 202 Human Anatomy & Physiol II
Recommended: Prior completion of: BIO 201, BIO 201A, BIO 100, BIO 100A, CHE 101 and CHE 101A or equivalent courses
BIO 202A Human Anatomy & Physiol Lab II (1.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: BIO 202
BIO 203 Introductory Microbiology
Recommended: Prior completion of: BIO 201, BIO 201A, BIO 202, BIO 202A, BIO 100, BIO 100A, CHE 101 and CHE 101A or equivalent courses
BIO 203A Introductory Microbiology Lab (1.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: BIO 203

AREA A-G: GENERAL EDUCATION
(1 course; 4.5 quarter units)
SOC 500 Cultural Pluralism in the USA
Prerequisite: ENG 100 and ENG 101
or
HUB 500 Cross-Cultural Dynamics
Prerequisite: ENG 100, ENG 101 and PSY 100

Preparation for the Major
(9 courses; 34.5 quarter units)
The following areas of General Education must be completed prior to beginning any preparation for the Major or Nursing Major core coursework: Area A1, A2, Area B, Area C, Area E, and Area F.

NSG 403 Nursing Theories and Models
NSG 212 Health Assessment (3 quarter units)
Prerequisite: Admission to nursing program and completion of required general education preparation with a minimum GPA 2.75, Corequisite: NSG 212A
NSG 212A Health Assessment Clinical (2 quarter units)
Corequisite: NSG 212
NSG 304 Pharmacology in Nursing
NSG 422 Nursing Research
Prerequisite: BST 322
NSG 240 Foundations of Nursing
Prerequisite: “C” or better in NSG 212 and “S” in NSG 212A, Corequisite: NSG 240A
NSG 240A Foundations Clinical Lab (3.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: “C” or better in NSG212 and “S” in NSG 212A, Corequisite: NSG 240
NSG 245 Medical-Surgical Nursing I
Prerequisite: NSG 240 and NSG 240A, Corequisite: NSG 245A
NSG 245A Medical-Surgical I Clinical (3.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: NSG 240 and NSG 240A, Corequisite: NSG 245

Nursing Core Courses
(16 courses; 59 quarter units)

NSG 330** Medical-Surgical Nursing II
Prerequisite: “C” or better in NSG 245 and “S” in NSG 245A
NSG 330A** Medical-Surgical II Clinical (3.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: “C” or better in NSG 245 and “S” in NSG 245A
NSG 333** Child-Bearing Family Nursing
Prerequisite: “C” or better in NSG 245 and “S” in NSG 245A,
Corequisite: NSG 333A
NSG 333A** Child-Bearing Family Clinical (3.5 quarter units)
Prerequisite: “C” or better in NSG 245 and “S” in NSG 245A,
Corequisite: NSG 333
NSG 334** Pediatric Nursing
Prerequisite: NSG 333 and NSG 333A, Corequisite: NSG 334A
NSG 334A** Pediatric Nursing Clinical (3.5 quarter units)
**Prerequisite**: NSG 333 and NSG 333A, **Corequisite**: NSG 334

NSG 335** Psychosocial Nursing
**Prerequisite**: “C” or better in NSG 330, “S” in NSG 330A and completion of previous nursing courses with a passing grade, **Corequisite**: NSG 335A

NSG 335A** Psychosocial Nursing Clinical (3.5 quarter units)
**Prerequisite**: “C” or better in NSG 330 and “S” in NSG 330A or all previous NSG courses in the sequence or as approved by the Academic Program Director, **Corequisite**: NSG 335

NSG 305 Pharmacology in Nursing II
**Prerequisite**: NSG 304, NSG 335 with a minimum grade of “C” and NSG 335A with a minimum grade of “S”

NSG 460 Community Healthcare I
**Corequisite**: NSG 460A

NSG 460A Community Healthcare I Lab (1.5 quarter units)
**Corequisite**: NSG 460

NSG 462 Community Healthcare II
**Prerequisite**: NSG 460 and NSG 460A, **Corequisite**: NSG 462A

NSG 462A Community Healthcare II Lab (1.5 quarter units)
**Prerequisite**: NSG 460 and NSG 460A, **Corequisite**: NSG 462

NSG 340** Nursing Leadership/Management
**Prerequisite**: “C” or better in NSG 335 and “S” in NSG 335A

NSG 340A** Leadership/Management Clinical (1.5 quarter units)
**Prerequisite**: “C” or better in NSG 335 and “S” in NSG 335A

NSG 440 Professional Issues in Nursing

**Content required for licensure by CA Board of Registered Nurses**

For complete program information, see the National University Catalog 82, effective 10/2018.