

WCU

A UNC Campus on the Move!



Nursing

What makes this program special?

Established in 1969, the Department of Nursing provides the only BSN from a state-funded university in the western North Carolina region. Students are eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN (national nursing licensure exam) after graduation. The Department of Nursing is nationally accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Are there any additional admission requirements?

Students must apply to the Department of Nursing in mid-January of their sophomore year. Prior to the beginning of the Nursing program in the fall of their junior year, students must have completed courses in anatomy and physiology (Biol 291 & 292), inorganic and organic Chemistry (Chem 132 & 133), microbiology (HSCC 260), psychology (Psych 150), and basic nursing skills (Nsg 340).

What scholarship monies are available?

All students are considered for merit-based scholarships at the time of admission. Additional scholarships are available based on FAFSA information. Several scholarships are available from the Department of Nursing once a student has been accepted into the program.

What will I be able to do with this degree when I graduate?

There is a critical shortage of nurses nationwide. Nurses are in high demand and can find employment in all types of settings and specialties, all over the country.

What are the professors like?

Nursing professors have years of experience as clinicians and educators and hold advanced degrees in their areas of specialty.

Things you need to know

- Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (BSN)
- 128 credit hours leading to the BSN degree includes 42 hours in liberal studies
- Students are eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN after graduation.
- Students work in multiple types of health care settings all over the western North Carolina Region
- A national shortage of nurses provides significant employment opportunities for graduates
- The Department of Nursing is nationally accredited by the Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

Careers with this Degree

- Hospital Nurses
- Community and Public Health Nurses
- School Nurses
- Pathway to Graduate Education and Advanced Practice Nursing

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or call 877.WCU.4YOU to apply to WCU.

What are the students in the program doing?

Students find employment in all types of health care settings. WCU nurses are in clinical and educational leadership positions nationwide. Many WCU nursing graduates pursue advanced degrees as family nurse practitioners, educators, administrators, and nurse anesthetists.

Will I be able to participate in internships, clubs and other extracurricular opportunities?

Students work in health care settings all over western North Carolina. Opportunities exist for internships and independent study in the student's area of interest. Students who are very successful academically (based on a certain level of GPA) are invited to join Eta Psi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International, the Honor Society for Nursing.

See our program site:
nursing.wcu.edu



The University

A campus of the University of North Carolina system, WCU is located in a beautiful valley between the Blue Ridge and Great Smoky mountains, with convenient access to a region that offers tremendous opportunities for outdoor research and recreation. Western is an hour's drive west of Asheville, N.C., and 2.5 hours northeast of Atlanta.

About 9,000 students are enrolled at Western, including about 1,700 graduate students. Some classes are available online for distance education, but most are offered in person on the main campus in Cullowhee, in Asheville, and at other locations throughout Western North Carolina. A combination of service learning and engagement in the community by faculty and students is a critical part of Western's tradition of academic excellence.

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