What Can I Do With A Major In: Nursing

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DESCRIPTION
A career in nursing is challenging, rewarding, and offers varied and exciting work environments. Now more than ever, nurses prepared at the baccalaureate and master's level are in great demand by health care employers. Students have the opportunity for clinical experiences throughout western North Carolina in many different types of health care institutions and agencies. A strong element of our programs is that we offer clinical opportunities in rural and urban areas, providing students with diverse practice experiences.

WHAT JOBS ARE AVAILABLE?

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<td>Health Coach</td>
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WHO EMPLOYS STUDENTS WITH THIS MAJOR?
Hospitals, HMOs, & Medical Centers | State and Local Health Department | Nursing Homes | Home Care Agencies | Psychiatric Units | Rehabilitation Centers and Hospice | Federal Government: Military, VA, Indian Health | Private Practices & Self-Employed | Schools, Colleges, & Universities | International Agencies & Church Missions

INTERNSHIP INFORMATION
Students will participate in a number of practicum experiences including Adult Nursing Practicum, Synthesis of Nursing Concepts Practicum, Maternal-Child Nursing Practicum, and Community/Mental Health Practicum. For more information contact the School of Nursing Office.
WHAT SKILLS ARE LEARNED IN THE CLASSROOM?

KNOWLEDGE

- Communicate...able to integrate communication into professional nursing practice involving individuals, groups, and collective humanity.
- Reason...able to use reasoning to make independent clinical judgments in nursing practice.
- Collaborate...able to adopt an individual, evidence-based collaborative style as a professional nurse.
- Value...able to critique self in relation to professional role and ethics.
- Inform...able to make clinical judgments through the management of technology and information systems.

Interested in the classes you’ll be taking? Check you your eight semester program here: http://www.wcu.edu/academics/departments-schools-colleges/HHS/hhs-schools-depts/nursing/nursing-academic-programs/bsn/curriculum-eight-semester-plan-for-bsn-pre-licensure.asp

PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES

  Nursing.org has a long list of professional nursing organizations that you may be interested in joining to stay informed.
- Tip: Join LinkedIn groups that are related to your career interest. Need help finding groups? Check out the “Groups You May Like” link under the Interests/Groups tab. Review the groups that professionals in your field of interest have joined and consider joining them as well.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SOURCES


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