



Southern New Hampshire University – Online RN to MSN Accelerated Option

Associate-level Nursing Program or Equivalent	CR
Associate Level Nursing Program or Equivalent transfer credits vary. Please reference your community college's pathway.	90
• SNHU General Education Core Requirements	42
• Students with an active, unencumbered RN License will be awarded 45 credits for prior learning/coursework	45
• Free Elective	3
SNHU Major Bachelor-Level Course Requirements for RN-MSN (Courses are listed in sequential order. Italicized courses are part of the MSN program requirement.)	30
NUR 300 Scholarly Inquiry	3
NUR 305 Information Management and Patient Care Technologies	3
IHP 420 Ethical and Legal Considerations of Healthcare	3
NUR 350 Community and Population Health	3
<i>NUR 540 Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan (for NUR 315 Pathophysiology for Nurses)</i>	3
<i>NUR 545 Advanced Health and Literacy Assessment (for NUR 325 Patient Assessment and Health Literacy)</i>	3
NUR 440 Research & Evidenced-Based Practice	3
NUR 400 Systems Leadership for Continuous Quality Improvement	3
IHP 450 Healthcare Management and Finance	3
NUR 490 Transformational Capstone	3
Students participating in the accelerated pathway can select one of the following concentrations:	

MSN - Nursing Education (33 Credits)	MSN - Population Healthcare (33 Credits)
NUR-508 Role Development and Transformation of the MSN Professional Nurse	NUR-508 Role Development and Transformation of the MSN Professional Nurse
NUR-531 Interprofessional Leadership in Healthcare	NUR-531 Interprofessional Leadership in Healthcare
NUR-520 Epidemiological and Biostatistical Applications in Healthcare	NUR-520 Epidemiological and Biostatistical Applications in Healthcare
IHP-501 Global Health and Diversity	IHP-501 Global Health and Diversity
NUR-550 Evidence-Based Practice and Scholarly Inquiry	NUR-550 Evidence-Based Practice and Scholarly Inquiry
NUR-557 Advanced Pathophysiology and Pharmacology Across the Lifespan	NUR-557 Advanced Pathophysiology and Pharmacology Across the Lifespan
<i>NUR-545 Advanced Health and Literacy Assessment (Fulfills NUR-325 and NUR-560)</i>	<i>NUR-545 Advanced Health and Literacy Assessment (Fulfills NUR-325 and NUR-560)</i>
NUR-653 Population Care Management	IHP-604 Healthcare Quality and Improvement
NUR-634 Facilitating Learning and Teaching Innovation in Nursing Education	NUR-633 Informatics and Communication Technology
NUR-654 Curriculum Foundations in Nursing Education	NUR-653 Population Care Management
NUR-675 MSN Seminar: Preparation for Practicum	NUR-675 MSN Seminar: Preparation for Practicum
NUR-690 Nursing Education Practicum	NUR-687 Population Healthcare Practicum



Transfer Credit Policy:

- Excess general education credits are transferred as free elective credit, if available.
- This guide serves as a mapping tool for students and is based upon SNHU Online 2021/2022 Academic Catalog at time of enrollment and this institution's equivalent academic year. Transfer equivalents earned prior or subsequent to this academic year will be evaluated on a case by case basis for transfer equivalency.

NURSING ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Must maintain an active unencumbered Registered Nurse license. Licensure exam must be equivalent to NCLEX-RN examination. If a student holds active licenses in more than one state/jurisdiction, all licenses must be unencumbered.
- Students who do not hold a nursing license and have graduated from a nursing program within three months may be admitted if they meet all other admission requirements. Evidence of licensure must be provided within three months from date of admission.

RN to BSN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS To be fully accepted to the undergraduate nursing program, students must meet the following requirements:

- Hold an earned diploma or associate degree in nursing from an accredited nursing program (ACEN, CCNE, and CNEA) OR state Board of Nursing approved program that prepares students for the NCLEX-RN exam.
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on the degree awarding transcript OR a cumulative GPA between 2.0 and 2.49 on the degree awarding transcript with a minimum of nine (9) credit hours earned subsequent to the diploma or associate degree with at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
- If you are an RN to BSN student interested in the Accelerated RN to MSN, contact an SNHU admission counselor or your SNHU academic advisor for more information as admission into the RN to MSN program is contingent upon a 3.5 GPA for the following courses: NUR 300, NUR 305, NUR 350, IHP 420 and dean approval.
- Nursing students are required to maintain a B- or better in NUR and IHP major courses.
- Students may transfer up to 90 credits if previous credits earned meet SNHU's degree requirements and academic standards for transfer.
- Students must take at least 30 credits (ten classes) at SNHU to be awarded a bachelor's degree.

ACCELERATED OPTION for MSN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS To be fully accepted to the graduate nursing program, students must meet the following requirements:

- Students who have graduated from SNHU's RN-BSN program and have successfully completed the graduate level course work in NUR-540 Advanced Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan will earn prerequisite credits for NUR-545 Advanced Health and Literacy Assessment. Completion of NUR-545 Advanced Health and Literacy Assessment will earn credit to replace NUR-560 Advanced Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning. Undergraduate tuition rates apply to NUR-540 & NUR-545.
- Criteria for acceptance into the Accelerated Option is a 3.5 GPA for the following courses: NUR 300, NUR 305, NUR 350, IHP 420) and Dean Approval.

Requirements for Precepted Practicums (MSN Nursing Education and MSN Population Healthcare):

- Students enrolled in the MSN Nursing Education and MSN Population Healthcare programs must comply with the requirements of the healthcare organizations where their capstone clinical immersion experience will be completed. These requirements must be met at least two terms prior to the start of the clinical components of these programs.
- These requirements may include, but are not limited to: criminal background checks and verification of licensure, immunization records, health insurance, and liability insurance. Students may incur additional costs to meet the organization requirements.