

# DISCOVER B.S.N. IN NURSING Department of Nursing

# Program of Study

West Chester University's nationally ranked RN-to-BSN program is available in Center City Philadelphia. Designed for licensed Registered Nurses, this degree completion program will put you on the fast track to success. The RN-to-BSN program is designed to meet the needs of our busy students who are balancing life and work in addition to studies. Courses are offered in a hybrid format, alternating between in-person weekly evening classes and online assignments.

Nurses with a BSN are needed in areas such as acute care, healthcare administration, and many other areas. Graduates of WCU's RN-to-BSN Program continue to grow professionally and are qualified to take on a number of roles in both acute and chronic healthcare settings as well as community settings. Many graduates continue on for graduate studies which qualifies them for leadership or nursing education positions.

The BSN program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) through 2019.

## The Curriculum

Your academic advisor will work with you to customize a program to meet your personal and professional goals.

#### **Required Courses (22 credits)**

- NSG 313 Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice
- NSG 311 Community and Public Health Nursing
- NSL 311 Community and Public Health Nursing
- NSG 412 Leadership, Management, and Professional Role Issues
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NSL 311 and NSL 412, taken concurrently with NSG 311 and NSG 412, are focused clinical courses. These courses include specific clinically-focused assignments, coordinated with classroom content that are due throughout the semester. These assignments may be individual or group-based and are completed outside of class time according to specific guidelines and timelines, given to you and facilitated by the clinical instructor. Students complete both direct and indirect care to communities, clients and agencies through these focused clinical assignments.

# Your Academic Advisor

At WCU, you'll partner with an academic advisor who will be instrumental in guiding you through the RN-to-BSN program. Your advisor will help you with the credit transfer process, and create a customized program for you based on your personal and professional goals and achievements. WCU will award you credits for the nursing classes you have already taken, and many of your other courses may also be eligible for transfer. Best of all, your credits never expire and WCU never charges for transfer credits.

Your academic advisor will also assist in the planning of courses, selection of classes, and to ensure that you remain on track for graduation.

Writing tutoring services are also available free of charge at the Philadelphia campus.

## Admission Requirements

To expedite the processing of your application, we recommend that you apply electronically. When applying online, please read all instructions carefully. Here are the steps to follow:

- Online application
- Personal statement
- Select Fee Waiver as Payment Method.
- Official transcript(s) from each college or university you have attended either mailed directly or sent electronically to WCU's Office of undergraduate Admissions at:

West Chester University Attn: Philadelphia campus application Emil H. Messikomer Hall 100 W. Rosedale Avenue West Chester, PA 19383

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## For More Information

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#### About West Chester University Philadelphia

West Chester University is proud to offer programs through the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education's Multi-University Center at the Mellon Independence Center at 701 Market Street. Opened in 2013, WCU in Philadelphia offers part-time undergraduate and graduate programs for working professionals in state-of-the-art classroom and meeting spaces. WCU Philadelphia is in the heart of Center City, conveniently located on public transit lines and within walking distance to many major employers, historic landmarks, libraries, shops, and restaurants.

West Chester University has opportunities at every turn, and as the fourth largest college in the Philadelphia area, WCU's options are limitless. With a student to faculty ratio of 18:1 students are never just a number. Faculty members, never graduate assistants, are in every classroom every day, building meaningful relationships with students across all programs. At WCU Philadelphia, classes bring together students with different skillsets, backgrounds, and experiences. These students learn as much from classmates as they do from faculty and textbooks, and their overall experience is richer because of that.

#### About West Chester University

West Chester University, is a leading public comprehensive university that excels in teacher education, business, health, natural and social sciences, music and the arts. Founded in 1871, WCU has a total population of over 16,000 students in West Chester and Philadelphia and is committed to high quality education at every level. The University offers more than 180 undergraduate and graduate programs, including doctoral programs and strives to create offerings that fill industry needs, resulting in highly sought-after programs. West Chester University has been recognized as both a top regional university and a top public school in the north, a top school for veterans, a top 100 best buy, among the best online MBA programs in the nation, and one of the top universities for cybersecurity according to a national survey of IT security professionals.

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