Graduation Requirements for Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Students

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Scope

Indiana University Purdue University Columbus Division of Health Sciences BSN students.

Policy Statement

Students in the BSN program are responsible for meeting the following degree requirements. Though the Division of Health Sciences makes every attempt to provide students with academic advising and program planning assistance, the students are accountable for complying with all published academic policies related to the BSN program. There are three program tracks for completion of BSN degree requirements. To be eligible for graduation from the BSN program, students must complete a minimum overall number of credit hours required for the degree, as well as a minimum number of credit hours which must reflect nursing major courses, dependent upon program option which they are pursuing. Credits earned in remedial learning skill courses do not count towards the credit hour requirement. Credits from successfully repeated courses can only be used once toward the overall credit hours needed for the BSN degree.

**Accelerated BSN Track**

Complete a minimum of 120 credit hours with a grade of C or higher in each didactic course and an S (Satisfactory) in all clinical/practicum courses required for the degree required for the degree. Of the 120 credit hours, 70 credit hours are nursing major courses and 50 credits are general education courses from the student’s previously earned baccalaureate degree.

**Traditional BSN Track**

Complete a minimum of 120 credit hours with a grade of C or higher in each didactic course and an S (Satisfactory) in all clinical/practicum courses required for the degree. Of the 120 credit hours, 75 credit hours must reflect nursing major courses.

**RN to BSN Track**

Complete a minimum of 120 credit hours with a grade of C or higher in each didactic course and an S (Satisfactory) in all clinical/practicum courses required for the degree. Of the 120 credit hours, 36-39 credit hours must reflect nursing major courses, 34-37 credit hours will be via special credit, and 50-53 or greater credit hours will be general education.

Additionally, all students in the BSN program are responsible for meeting the following degree requirements.

* Achieve an IU cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.0 (C). This includes all transfer course work applied to degree.
* Complete at least 30 credit hours of required nursing major courses on the IUPUC campus.
* Complete all BSN degree requirements within six years of enrolling in the first Division of Health Sciences course in the nursing major.
* Apply for degree candidacy the semester prior to completing all degree requirements following the published procedures online.

Reason for Policy

This policy establishes minimum academic expectations for students graduating from the BSN program and communicates student responsibility for meeting all BSN degree requirements.

History

Approved by Faculty and Staff Council 11/14/19.

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Reference

Graduation application: <https://www.iupuc.edu/academics/graduation-application/>