



RN to BSN Degree Completion Option

Sample Curriculum Plan – Online | Effective September 2021

CHAMBERLAIN UNIVERSITY

YEAR 1	SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
		Credits		Credits		Credits
Session I	NR-351: Transitions in Professional Nursing	3	NR-447: RN Collaborative Healthcare	4	NR-443: RN Community Health Nursing (T=4)	4
	One of General Education Core English & Communications	3	One of General Education Core Quantitative Reasoning	3	-or- NR-435*: RN Community Health Nursing (T=3, C=2)	5
					-or- NR-436*: RN Community Health Nursing (T=3, C=1)	4
					One of General Education Core Humanities & Fine Arts	3
Session II		Credits		Credits		Credits
	NR-305: Health Assessment for the Practicing RN	4	NR-439: RN Evidence-Based Practice	3	NR-451: RN Capstone Course	3
	Elective	3	One of General Education Core Social Sciences	3	NR-361: RN Information Systems in Healthcare	3
	Elective	3	One of General Education Core Humanities & Fine Arts	3		
	Semester Hours: 16 Credits (GE=9, NR=7)		Semester Hours: 16 Credits (GE=9, NR=7)		Semester Hours: 13** Credits (GE=3, NR=10***)	
						Total Program Credit Hours: 122 (GE=21, NR=24, CCAP=77)[†]

Semester term = 16 weeks; Session I or Session II = 8 weeks. Sample curriculum plans are subject to change without prior notice. GE=General Education Core, NR=Nursing, T=Theory, L=Lab, C=Clinical, CCAP=Chamberlain College Articulation Plan
CCAP Credit: All registered nurses with a current, active RN license in the U.S. or from a jurisdiction that is an associate member of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) may be awarded up to 77 proficiency credit hours through the Chamberlain College of Nursing Articulation Plan (CCAP). This includes 37 general education credits and 40 nursing credits.

* NR-435 is required for students residing in Tennessee enrolled prior to July 2018, students residing in Washington, and students residing in California or Minnesota seeking to obtain a certificate in public health nursing from the CA or MN Board of Nursing. Effective July 2018, students residing in the state of Tennessee must take NR-436 to fulfill this requirement. This course must be taken during the last semester of the program. If a non-Washington resident takes NR-443 and later moves to Washington, they will be required to complete NR-435 before graduating.

** 14 credit hours for students residing in the state of Tennessee enrolled prior to July 2018, students residing in Washington, and students residing in California or Minnesota seeking to obtain a certificate in public health nursing from the CA or MN Board of Nursing.

*** 11 credit hours for students residing in the state of Tennessee enrolled prior to July 2018, students residing in Washington, and students residing in California or Minnesota seeking to obtain a certificate in public health nursing from the CA or MN Board of Nursing.

† 123 credit hours (GE=21, NR=25, CCAP=77) for students residing in the state of Tennessee enrolled prior to July 2018, students residing in Washington, and students residing in California or Minnesota seeking to obtain a certificate in public health nursing from the CA or MN Board of Nursing.

NOTE: Students residing in Washington will need to select the NR-447 RN Collaborative Healthcare course with the "M" suffix designator (i.e., NR-447M).

NOTE: The General Education coursework grading scale applies to courses with an "N" suffix designator.

NOTE: For the full list of General Education Core courses, please visit chamberlain.edu/catalog.

NOTE: In order to satisfy graduation requirements, elective courses may be added to the individual's plan of study. Contact your student support advisor for more information.

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		One of General Education Core English & Communications	3	One of General Education Core Quantitative Reasoning	3	NR-443: RN Community Health Nursing (T=4)	4
						-or-	
						NR-435*: RN Community Health Nursing (T=3, C=2)	5
						-or-	
						NR-436*: RN Community Health Nursing (T=3, C=1)	4
						Semester Hours: 7** Credits (GE=3, NR=4***)	
	Session II	Elective	3	NR-439: RN Evidence-Based Practice	3	MSN Admission Requirement (requires cumulative GPA of 3.0 for undergraduate courses)	
		Elective	3	One of General Education Core Social Sciences	3	NR-500: Foundational Concepts & Applications†	3
		NR-305: Health Assessment for the Practicing RN	4	One of General Education Core Humanities & Fine Arts	3	-or-	
						NR-500NP: Foundational Concepts & Advanced Practice Roles (NP students only)†	3
						NOTE: Full admission into the Chamberlain's Master of Science in Nursing degree program is conditional upon achieving a minimum grade of a B in NR-500: Foundational Concepts & Applications.	
		Semester Hours: 16 Credits (GE=9, NR=7)		Semester Hours: 16 Credits (GE=9, NR=7)		Semester Hours: 3 Credits (GE=0, NR=3)	

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** 8 credit hours for students residing in the state of Tennessee enrolled prior to July 2018, students residing in Washington, and students residing in California or Minnesota seeking to obtain a certificate in public health nursing from the CA or MN Board of Nursing.

*** 5 credit hours for students residing in the state of Tennessee enrolled prior to July 2018, students residing in Washington, and students residing in California or Minnesota seeking to obtain a certificate in public health nursing from the CA or MN Board of Nursing.

† NR-500 is a prerequisite to all MSN courses and is the first bridge course for RN-BSN to MSN students.

NOTE: Students residing in Washington will need to select the NR-447 RN Collaborative Healthcare course with the "M" suffix designator (i.e., NR-447M).

NOTE: The General Education coursework grading scale applies to courses with an "N" suffix designator.

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YEAR 2		SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SEMESTER 3
		Credits	Credits	Credits
RN-BSN to MSN Bridge Option Graduate Courses	Session I	NR-501: Theoretical Basis for Advanced Nursing Practice 3 -or- NR-501NP: Theoretical Basis for Advanced Nursing Practice (NP students only) 3	NR-504: Leadership in Nursing Practice: Role Development 3 -or- NR-506NP: Healthcare Policy & Leadership (NP students only) 3	MSN non-NP Specialty Track Course 3 -or- NR-503: Population Health, Epidemiology & Statistical Principles (NP students only) 3
	Session II	NR-512: Fundamentals of Nursing Informatics* 3 NR-506: Healthcare Policy 3 -or- NR-599: Nursing Informatics for Advanced Practice (NP students only)* 3 Semester Hours: 9 Credits (GE=0, NR=9 for MSN non-NP specialty tracks) 6 Credits (GE=0, NR=6 for MSN-NP specialty tracks)	NR-505: Advanced Research Methods – Evidence-Based Practice*** 3 -or- NR-505NP: Advanced Research Methods – Evidence-Based Practice (NP students only)*** 3 Semester Hours: 6 Credits (GE=0, NR=6)	MSN non-NP Specialty Track Course 3 -or- NR-507: Advanced Pathophysiology (NP students only) 3 Semester Hours: 6 Credits (GE=0, NR=6)

* For the RN-BSN to MSN option, the Master of Science in Nursing course NR-512: Fundamentals of Nursing Informatics/NR-599: Nursing Informatics for Advance Practice replaces NR-361: RN Information Systems in Healthcare in the RN to BSN degree completion option.

** The Master of Science in Nursing course NR-505/NR-505NP: Advance Research Methods – Evidence Based Practice replaces NR-451: RN Capstone in the RN to BSN degree completion option.

† After successful completion of the MSN core, the BSN degree can be conferred.

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YEAR 3		SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 3	
		Credits		Credits		Credits	
RN-BSN to MSN Bridge Option Graduate Courses	Session I	MSN non-NP Specialty Track Course -or- MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3 3	MSN non-NP Specialty Track Concluding Graduate Experience I -or- MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3 3	MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3
	Session II	MSN non-NP Specialty Track Course -or- MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3 3	MSN non-NP Specialty Track Concluding Graduate Experience II -or- MSN-NP Specialty Track Course MSN-NP Specialty Track Course (PMHNP students only)	3 3 2	MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3
		Semester Hours: 6 Credits (GE=0, NR=6)		Semester Hours: 6-8 Credits (GE=0, NR=6-8)		Semester Hours: 6 Credits (GE=0, NR=6)	

YEAR 4		SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
		Credits		Credits	
RN-BSN to MSN-NP Bridge Option Graduate Courses	Session I	MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3	MSN-NP Specialty Track Course (AGACNP students only)	3
	Session II	MSN-NP Specialty Track Course	3	Total Program Credit Hours: MSN non-FNP Specialty Track - 151; MSN-FNP & AGPCNP Tracks - 161; AGACNP Specialty Track - 164; PMHNP Specialty Track - 163 (GE=24, NR=50 or 59, CCAP=77)*	
		Semester Hours: 6 Credits (GE=0, NR=6)			

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