



What can I do with a major in...**NURSING**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) major is a pre-licensure program that prepares students for the candidate's licensure examination, known as NCLEX-RN®. Students wishing to enroll in the Nursing program must first be accepted into the program through a formal admission process. Refer to the undergraduate catalog for a more detailed description of the Nursing program and its requirements. The Department of Nursing seeks to provide Christ-centered, biblically based, service-focused nursing education, equipping individuals with the skills and abilities required of professional nurses to effectively serve Christ and to assume servant-leadership roles while providing ministry and service to humankind.

What types of work are related to this degree?

Ambulatory care	Government research
Home health care	Personal services contracting
Emergency nursing	Geriatric nurse
Travel nursing	Hospice nursing
Forensic nursing	Labor and delivery nursing
Government policy	Military nursing
development	Missionary nursing
Teaching/community	Pediatric nursing
health education	Public health nursing
Insurance screening	School nursing
Medical-Surgical nursing	
Psychiatric nursing	
Nurse practitioner/midwifery/ anesthesiology (additional training required)	

Who employs people with this degree?

Hospitals	Private homes
Military bases	Senior centers
Clinics and medical centers	
Summer camps	
Home health agencies	
Physicians' offices and medical groups	
Health maintenance organizations	
National or international government agencies	
Schools, colleges, and universities	
State and local health departments	
Psychiatric hospitals and mental health agencies	
Insurance companies	
Correctional facilities	
Birth centers	

Strategies for Success:

- All states regulate nursing by requiring licensure. Investigate individual state requirements if planning to relocate.
- The list of occupations above is not exhaustive. Discovernursing.com provides a more detailed list of nursing specialties.
- Many opportunities outside of traditional nursing exist for RN's who want to work in non-clinical roles. Research the skills, experiences, and degrees necessary to attain these positions.
- Shadow nurses in different settings to learn which ones hold the most appeal.
- Develop patience, the ability to work with both patients and families for long periods of time, and good listening skills. Learn to work effectively with people from different cultures, races, and socioeconomic backgrounds.
- Work or volunteer in healthcare and medical settings during summers and breaks.
- Join relevant professional associations and plan to attend continuing education programs.
- Earn a master's degree to prepare for advanced practice nursing, including: clinical nurse specialist, nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, nurse anesthetist, and administration. Earn a doctoral degree for research or teaching at a university.

Select Professional Associations:

American Association of Colleges of Nursing
 American Nurses Association
 American Association of Nurse Anesthetists

American Association of Occupational Health Nurses
 American Psychiatric Nurses Association

This information represents possible occupations and strategies for careers with this major. As with any job or career, there may be additional qualifications or experience needed. For more information and options, make an appointment with Career Development or check out our online resources on our website or on theROCK, Career Development tab.