

## Investment

MSU tuition and fees\* ..... \$283.72 per credit  
 BSN Completion Program application fee.....\$25.00  
 MSU Nursing Major Program fee .....\$25.00 per SH  
 Background check fee.....\$40.00  
 Books.....\$600.00 average per semester  
 NCLEX Examination Credit fee .....\$1,000.00

\*All tuition and fees are subject to change. For the most current tuition rates, please contact the Business Office at 701-858-3333 or 1-800-777-0750 ext. 3333.

To inquire about financial aid call the Financial Aid Office at 701-858-3375 or 1-800-777-0750 ext. 3375 or visit online at: [www.minotstateu.edu/finaid](http://www.minotstateu.edu/finaid).

## Key Program Features

- Earn college credit for current Registered Nurse State License
- Recognition of Registered Nurse's academic needs and career goals
- Ability to transfer credits
- Prepares for graduate education
- Prepares for management, leadership, and educational roles

## Applications

Applications to the BSN Completion Program are accepted anytime.

Able to start program Fall, Spring or Summer semester.

## Graduation Requirements

The MSU Registrar's Office personnel officially review student transcripts for graduation requirements. All MSU and nursing requirements must be met prior to graduation. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 is required for all baccalaureate degree candidates.

- 122 semester hours
- 60 SH from a 4-year institution
- 30 SH from Minot State University

## Nursing Sequence Models

**2 Semester Model** – includes required program courses (23 SH). Available when MSU General Education requirements, statistics course requirement and elective credits are complete.

Fall Semester #1		Spring Semester #2	
N 363	HMS 460	N 457	HMS 463
N 383	or	N 493	or
N 483	HMS 333		HMS 333

**3 Semester Model** – includes required program courses (23 SH). Available for 3 Semester preference. MSU General Education, statistics course and/or elective credits needed.

Fall Semester #1		Spring Semester #2	
Statistics	N 483	N 457	
N 363	HMS 460	N 493	
N 383		Gen Ed/Elective course(s)	
Summer Semester #3			
HMS 333		Gen Ed/Elective course(s)	

**4 Semester Model** – includes required program courses (23 SH). Available for 4 Semester preference. MSU General Education, statistics course and/or elective credits needed.

Fall Semester #1		Spring Semester #2	
Statistics	N 383	N 457	
N 363	N 483	N 493	
Summer Semester #3		Fall Semester #4	
Gen Ed courses		HMS 460	
Elective courses		HMS 333	

Spring Semester #1		Summer Semester #2	
Statistics		Gen Ed courses	
HMS 463		Elective courses	
HMS 333			
Fall Semester #3		Spring Semester #4	
N 363		N 457	
N 383		N 493	
N 483			

## Nursing Courses

Each of the required nursing courses will be offered one semester per academic year.  
 Fall Semester: N363, N 383, N 483  
 Spring Semester: N 457, N 493

### Note:

- N 383 must be successfully completed before taking N 483
- N 363, N 383 and N 483 must be successfully completed before taking N 457, N 493
- General Education courses and statistics are offered Fall, Spring and Summer semesters
- Special Topics courses (semester offered):  
 HMS 333 offered F, Sp and Su  
 HMS 460 offered F and HMS 463 offered Sp

## Accreditation

The Minot State University Department of Nursing Program has full approval of the North Dakota Board of Nursing. In addition, the nursing program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc.

Minot State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission ([hlcommission.org](http://hlcommission.org)), a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

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Department of Nursing



**BSN Completion Program**  
**for the Registered Nurse**

[MinotStateU.edu/nursing/bsn\\_online.shtml](http://MinotStateU.edu/nursing/bsn_online.shtml)

## You will benefit from earning your BSN degree because...

- It prepares you for nursing practice opportunities in a variety of healthcare settings
- There is a need for well educated, highly competent and caring nurses
- It prepares nurses for successful careers in today's healthcare environment
- Education prepares nurses for complex clinical environments and safe, quality patient care
- Federal agencies, military, Magnet Hospitals, and national nursing organizations recognize the unique value that baccalaureate prepared nurses bring to nursing practice
- Many states require a public health nursing course and clinical for public health nursing practice
- Roles include (but not limited to): client centered care, educator, researcher, leader, manager, advocate, or counselor

Identify other benefits of baccalaureate nursing education at: [www.aacn.nche.edu](http://www.aacn.nche.edu) and [www.aone.org](http://www.aone.org).

### Take it online!

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing for Registered Nurses is available in a flexible, convenient online format. The program offers one clinical course (N 457 Public Health for the Professional Nurse). The clinical requirements are completed through a variety of individual assignments and the implementation of virtual public health and simulation scenarios incorporated within the course.

## BSN Completion Program Requirements for Admission

1. Complete an application to Minot State University.
2. Complete an application to BSN Completion Program, which includes a required criminal background check and proof of current/active, unencumbered U.S. RN license.
3. Request an appointment with the BSN Completion Program Advanced Standing Director, in the Department of Nursing, to review prior course work and to plan your program of study.
4. Students who have graduated from a board approved nursing education program and have passed the NCLEX-RN need to submit an application with the required documents to the Department of Nursing.
5. Students who have graduated from a board approved nursing education program, but have not yet passed the NCLEX-RN may take the following courses and may be conditionally admitted the first semester of the program.
  - a. General education courses
  - b. Required support course
  - c. NURS 363 Nursing Theory and Research
  - d. NURS 383 Professional Nursing I
  - e. Special Topics course(s)
6. Cumulative GPA 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
7. Required with application: current U.S. unencumbered RN license, criminal background check form, fingerprint card(s), and check addressed to ND Attorney General for \$40.00; MSU immunization record; copy of personal health insurance coverage.
8. Refer to the *BSN Completion Program Application Requirements and Admission Criteria* online at [www.minotstateu.edu/nursing/bsn\\_online.shtml](http://www.minotstateu.edu/nursing/bsn_online.shtml).

## Program Requirements

### General Education Courses (38 SH)

The general education model incorporates learning across disciplines and learning throughout an entire college career. Therefore, our general education courses should be taken both inside and outside of a student's major and should include both lower division courses and upper division courses. This way, essential skills, such as problem solving, critical thinking, and communication can be addressed from a variety of perspectives. This will help each graduating Minot State University student better adapt to the fluctuations of post-collegiate life in both their personal and professional opportunities.

The Minot State University General Education model has three components: Required Core, Foundational Content, and Developmental Content. The Required Core and Foundational Content require taking classes beyond a student's major. These courses emphasize studies in core academic areas such as english, mathematics, the arts and humanities, the physical and natural world, and history and social sciences. The Developmental Content emphasizes outcomes and are divided into three categories.

See general education requirements online at: <http://catalog.minotstateu.edu/undergraduate/degree/requirements/newgeneraleducationrequirements/>

### Electives or Transfer Courses

26 SH, online electives or earned transfer credit

### Required Support Course (4 SH)

Statistics – MSU offers PSY 241 and MA 210

### Online Nursing Credits (23 SH: 17 SH Nursing and 6 SH Special Topics HMS course)

NURS 363 Nursing Theory and Research ..... 3 SH  
*Statistics must be taken before or concurrent with NURS 363*

NURS 383 Professional Nursing I<sup>1</sup> ..... 3 SH  
*First 8 weeks of semester*

NURS 483 Professional Nursing II<sup>1</sup> ..... 3 SH  
*Last 8 weeks of semester; Prerequisite: NURS 383*

NURS 457 Public Health for the Professional Nurse<sup>1,2</sup>  
 (3 SH theory 2 SH clinical) (90 hours clinical)... 5 SH  
*Prerequisite: NURS 363, 383, 483, Statistics*

NURS 493 Professional Nursing III<sup>1</sup> (Capstone)..3 SH  
*Prerequisite: NURS 363, 383, 483, Statistics*

Special Topics: (CHOOSE TWO) ..... Total of 6 SH  
 HMS 333 Transcultural Health Care<sup>3</sup> ..... 3 SH  
 HMS 460 Quality and Risk Management in Healthcare ..... 3 SH  
 HMS 463 Issues in Healthcare Regulations and Professional Practices..... 3 SH

<sup>1</sup> Course fee of \$250.00 for each of the four nursing courses

<sup>2</sup> Meets IP2 general education developmental content requirement for graduation.....3 SH

<sup>3</sup> Meets IP1 general education developmental content requirement for graduation.....3 SH

### Program Progression

The Nursing Program courses and statistics must be successfully completed with a grade of C or above to progress in the program.

### NCLEX Examination Credit

The NCLEX Examination Credit is part of the overall fee structure for students within the program. A course fee of \$250.00 is attached to four nursing courses (identified with a <sup>1</sup>) for a total of \$1,000.00. The examination credit validates the student's successful completion of the licensure exam. The examination credit allows progression in the program as we acknowledge your prior studies and successful licensure. The NCLEX Examination Credit is also designed to help you meet the graduation requirement of a minimum of 60 semester hours completed at a 4 year institution. Forty (40) semester hours will be posted on the official MSU transcript during the semester of graduation.