

This sample pathway maps out requirements for most RN-to-BSN (Bachelor of Science Nursing) programs, and CSU General Education. It assumes that you have completed a RN/ADN degree and hold your Associates Degree in Nursing and a valid RN license.

Courses highlighted in pink do not have to be taken in order and most are offered online. If you are working full-time and have no other responsibilities then 2-3 classes per fall/spring term is recommended. If you are working full-time and have a lot of "life" going on, then 1-2 classes per fall/spring term might be more manageable. For GE classes, check with your counselor as you may have already taken a course that will fulfill the requirement.

Applying to an RN-to-BSN Program:

A list of programs identified by Shasta College Nursing Faculty as high quality and economical (in time and money) is available on-line at <http://www.shastacollege.edu/Academic%20Affairs/BOLD/Pages/BOLD-Nursing.aspx>

*It is advisable to complete as many GE and pre-requisite classes as possible through Shasta College to minimize the cost (in money and time) of your RN-to-BSN degree at the university.

Most programs require that you already hold your RN license at the time you apply to the RN-to-BSN program; others allows you to apply in your last semester of your ADN program. Some programs require that you are currently employed at least part-time in a licensed RN position.

*Some programs require you to apply to the BSN program at the same time you apply to the university; others want you to apply to the BSN program *first* and then apply to the university if/after you get accepted into the BSN program.

<i>Fall semester</i>	<i>Course Title and Major Requirements/CSU GE Category Met</i>	<i>Units: 7</i>	<i>January</i>	<i>Course Title and Major Requirements/CSU GE Category Met</i>	<i>Units</i>
HIST 17A <u>OR</u> 17B	US History (Category D6, US History)	3	Investigate which RN-to-BSN programs you want to apply to. Most have similar requirements, but a few have slight variations and application timelines.		
MATH 14	Statistics (BSN, Category B4)	4			
<i>Spring Semester</i>	<i>Course Title and Major Requirements/CSU GE Category Met</i>	<i>Units: 6</i>	<i>Summer Session</i>	<i>Course Title and Major Requirements/CSU GE Category Met</i>	<i>Units: 3</i>
FSS 25	Nutrition (BSN, Category E)	3	ECE 1	Human Development (BSN, Category D7)	3
ENGL 18 <u>OR</u> 24	African-American Literature <u>OR</u> Multicultural Literature (Category C2, CSU US Diversity)	3	Prepare for any applications due in Fall semester.		
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ART 4 <u>OR</u> MUS 14	World Art <u>OR</u> World Music (A, Category C1, CSU Global Studies)	3	Prepare for any applications due in Spring semester.		
HIS 2 <u>OR</u> 3	World Civilization (Category C2, BSN for Simpson University)	3			
<i>Spring Semester</i>	<i>Course Title and Major Requirements/CSU GE Category Met</i>	<i>Units: 8</i>	<i>Summer Session</i>	<i>Course Title and Major Requirements/CSU GE Category Met</i>	<i>Units 3</i>
HIST 17A <u>OR</u> 17B	UT Arlington RN-BSN requires TWO US History classes	3	MATH 13	College Algebra - some BSN programs require 2 math classes	3
CHEM 2A	Introduction to Chemistry with lab (BSN, Category B1/B3)	5			

You may have already taken Chem as a pre-req for Microbiology; check with your counselor to see if your Chem class fulfills BSN requirements.

It is CRITICAL that you work closely with a counselor to develop your own individualized educational plan.

CSU GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSES: because nursing is a high-unit major, we have created this map with courses that fulfill major and GE reqts.

Many universities' General Education requirements are very similar to the CSU system.

***MUST earn a "C" or better in GE Categories A1, A2, A3 and B4.**

*A1: Oral Communication	CMST 60 (Public Speaking) if speaking in front of people is uncomfortable for you <u>OR</u> CMST 54 (Small Group Communication) for a better understanding of how to get groups to work together
*A2: Written Communication	ENGL 1A (College Composition)
*A3: Critical Thinking	ENGL 1C (Critical Reasoning/Reading/Writing)
B1/B3: Physical Sciences	CHEM 2A with lab (Introduction to Chemistry)
B2/B3: Life Sciences and Lab	Nursing requires three classes that meet this Category (ANAT 1, PHYS 1 and MICR 1)
*B4: Math Concepts	MATH 14 (Statistics) required for BSN programs; some RN to BSNs require College Algebra AND Statistics.

C: Arts and Humanities (three courses)

C1: Arts ART 4 (World Art) OR MUS 14 (World Music) (also fulfills Global Culture requirement)
 C2: Humanities ENGL 18 (Af-Am Lit) OR ENGL 24 (Multicultural Lit) (also fulfills US Diversity requirement)
 C2: Humanities HIST 2 OR 3 (World Civilization); HIS 2 or 3 is specific to Simpson's nursing program, but also fulfills CSU GE

D: Social Sciences (three courses)

ANTH 2 (Cultural Anthropology) or SOC 1 (Intro to Sociology); also required for nursing
 ECE 1 (Human Development); also required for nursing
 PSYC 1A (Intro to Psychology); also required for nursing

E: Lifelong Development FSS 25 (Nutrition); required for BSN programs

American History and Government Requirements for Graduation from a CSU Campus

Completion of a course in American History (HIST 17A or 17B) and a course in American Government (POLS 2) are required to graduate from any CSU, as well as many other universities.