Northwestern State University College of Nursing and School of Allied Health

Articulation Program for Registered Nurses

RN to BSN Concentration (410A)

The College of Nursing and Allied Health at Northwestern State University offers an individualized plan for learning to assist registered nurses who are pursuing a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. This individualized plan of learning has been developed to offer flexibility to meet the registered nurse students' needs. This plan offers the opportunity for the student to complete upper division nursing courses after the completion of general academics. The student has the opportunity to earn credit without enrollment in 38 hours of nursing courses.

ACCREDITATION

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program at NSU has full approval from the Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810, telephone number 225-755-7500, fax number 225-755-7564, www.lsbn.state.la.us and is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036, telephone number 202-887-6791, fax 202-887-847, www.aacn.nche.edu/Accreditation/index.htm.

LEARNING OPTIONS

Internet

All nursing courses are offered via the Internet. Attendance on campus is **NOT** required. Clinical requirements can be completed in the student's home community. Nursing courses are offered in 8 or 12 or 16 week sessions. Out of state fees are waived for students taking only online courses.

Traditional Classroom Setting

The campus located in Alexandria, Louisiana offers traditional classes during the day. Nursing classes are offered in the traditional classroom environment one day every other week with alternating weekly classes via Moodle.

CREDIT IN NURSING COURSES

Credit for 38 hours of lower level nursing courses is awarded upon satisfactory completing Nursing 3110, 3122, 3140, 3142, 3223, 3224, 4191 and 4291.

Credit will be awarded for ALHE 1020, Nursing 2160, 2170, 3040, 3041, 3130, 3141, 3150, 3220, 3221, 3230, 3231, 4120, 4121, 4130, and 4131.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Current, unencumbered RN license
- 2. Personal Professional Liability Insurance when enrolled in nursing courses
- 3. Graduate of a program which was accredited by a nationally nursing accrediting body.
- 4. Cummulative GPA of 2.0 or above

NURSING MAJOR REQUIREMENT

Of the 120 hours required in the curriculum, 30 hours are nursing courses completed with enrollment. These nursing course include Nursing 3110, 3122, 3140, 3142, 3223, 3224, 4191, and 4291. In addition, 38 nursing hours are awarded for previous education and experience.

FOR APPOINTMENTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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