



ROCHESTER
UNIVERSITY

NURSING



Degree Option

Pre-Licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing

The mission of the RU School of Nursing is to develop socially conscious professional nurses who are empowered to address inequities in healthcare through civic engagement, inter-professional collaboration and servant leadership. Students will utilize clinical reasoning in the context of an inclusive Christian environment to provide holistic care for diverse populations.

The need for nurses continues to rise, and a growing number of hospitals are requiring them to hold a bachelor's degree, even for entry-level positions. The enhanced critical thinking and leadership skills gained through the nursing degree at RU equip nurses to better serve their profession and the world around them. The pre-licensure program curriculum requires 64 credits in the nursing major and allows successful candidates to sit for the NCLEX-RN.

The BSN program at RU meets the requirements of the Michigan Board of Nursing. Students planning on licensure outside of Michigan should check with the Board of Nursing for licensure requirements of that state.



The Baccalaureate in Nursing program at Rochester University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. 655 K Street NW, Suite 750 • Washington, DC 20001 Phone 202.887.6791 | ccneaccreditation.org

Program Highlights



861 CLINICAL HOURS

at some of the region's top medical facilities, including Ascension Providence Rochester, Beaumont Health, Detroit Medical Center, Henry Ford Health Systems and St. Joseph Mercy Oakland



SERVICE-LEARNING EXPERIENCES

such as the Detroit Marathon, Auburn Hills Health Fair and working with a remote area medical clinic, all of which allow you to expand your perspectives about nursing roles outside of the acute care setting



STUDENT NURSES ASSOCIATION

which is active in many community projects, including blood drives, Habitat for Humanity and fundraising for nursing scholarships



ORIGINAL SCHOLARLY RESEARCH

displayed through senior projects that impact nursing practice and patient care



HIGH-FIDELITY SIMULATION EXPERIENCES

in a fully equipped on-campus lab

by the numbers

1,014 students from 22 states & 16 nations

NURSING CLINICAL STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO 8:1

Rochester Hills has been named one of the 100 SAFEST CITIES IN THE US

CNN's Money Magazine recognized Rochester as one of the top places to live and the very

BEST IN all of MICHIGAN!

maximum nursing

CLASS SIZE of 24

97% of Rochester University School of Nursing graduates are employed in the field of nursing

OUR CAMPUS IS 68 PRISTINE ACRES LOCATED A SHORT WALK FROM DOWNTOWN ROCHESTER

and no more than 30 miles from... MUSEUMS • MARKETS • MALLS • CONCERTS PRO SPORTS • THE AUTOMOTIVE SCENE • OUTDOOR ADVENTURE FOOD TRUCKS + FINE DINING • WORLD CLASS ENTERTAINMENT natural beauty, and all kinds of other fun to discover



BSN Graduate
JOHN PAIGE

“Rochester University’s nursing program equipped me to become the best version of me, both through academics and clinical challenges. During my time at RU, I learned about evidence-based practice, how to perform research, and most importantly, how to care for patients. The nursing faculty not only wants students to graduate with their BSN, they encourage you to become a lifetime learner. I am now using the knowledge I gained at RU to continue my education by pursuing a master’s degree in CRNA school.”



BSN Graduate
LINDA BROWN-TWUM

Since starting her nursing career, Linda has been nominated for more than ten DAISY Awards, an international nurse recognition program that celebrates the compassion and skill nurses bring to patients.

“I don’t do anything extraordinary—nursing is just my ministry. It’s a calling. You meet people in a vulnerable state. You hold their hand, and you listen. As a Christian, as a mother, as a human being, I know I’m here to save lives. RU helped me lean into my vocation, and gave me the training and skills I needed to succeed.”



BSN Graduate
MADISON VALKO

“One of the deciding factors for me to come to RU was the opportunity to be in the nursing program while playing basketball. This had its challenges and required full commitment, but my teachers and coaches were always in communication and willing to work with me to make sure I succeeded in both. Both nursing and basketball bettered my character, work ethic and time management. It was rewarding to be able to pursue the career I am so passionate about and play the game I love.”

THE RU ADVANTAGE

Lifelong learning. Professional excellence. Lasting service.

As you begin your studies at RU, you will start making connections between your past experiences and present opportunities for the purpose of discovering and shaping your identity. Throughout your academic journey, you will continually engage with the world around you and create a plan to use your experiences, knowledge and skills to discover and develop pathways to purpose and meaning. As a student at RU, you will be introduced to the story of God in order to reflect on how you can participate in God’s mission in the world. As you approach graduation, you will apply your accumulated knowledge and experiences to a specific project and share the results with RU’s academic community. The result of this work is well-educated and compassionate graduates who can change their lives and the world for the better.

Rise Together. Stand Apart.

This tagline represents who we are; the following core distinctives show how we deliver on this identity.



INSIDE THE CLASSROOM
Academic Philosophy | EPIC
Exploring. Preparing. Integrating. Calling.

We believe every student has a unique story worth telling. In fact, we think your story can be epic. Our courses are designed to help you explore, prepare, integrate (connect and apply knowledge) and find your calling – while helping you succeed.
RochesterU.edu/epic



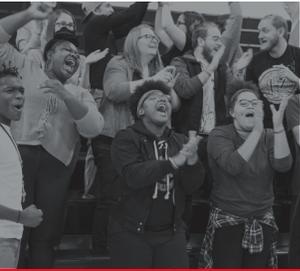
OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM
Mentoring Program | RISE
Relationship. Inspiration. Support. Engagement.

RISE begins during your freshman year and helps you build meaningful relationships with alumni, friends of the institution, faculty and staff. Mentors serve as positive role models who provide valuable guidance, support and encouragement as you navigate the challenges of transitioning from high school to college, then academic to professional life.
RochesterU.edu/rise



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM
Loan Repayment Assistance Program | RU Pledge
Pursue your passions without the burden of debt.

All incoming RU freshmen are eligible for the RU Pledge, our innovative loan repayment assistance program (LRAP) that provides quarterly reimbursement of federal, private and parent PLUS loan payments if you earn less than \$50,000 per year after graduation.
RochesterU.edu/pledge



FACULTY

JOHN W. COLLINS

PhD, MS, RN

Director—School of Nursing
Associate Professor of Nursing
PhD, Duquesne University

From the director:

“The goal of RU’s nursing faculty is to help students learn both the art and the science of nursing. We strive to prepare excellent clinicians who utilize evidence-based practice and embrace lifelong learning. Many of our graduates continue their studies beyond the baccalaureate level. The RU School of Nursing welcomes you as you take the next step toward a career in nursing.”

AMY GUITAR

MSN-Ed, RN, ONC

Assistant Professor of Nursing
D.N.P., Wayne State University

MEGAN HOGUE

DNP, FNP-BC

Assistant Professor of Nursing
D.N.P., Wayne State University

KIMBERLY NASH

MSN, RN, CEN

Director—School of Nursing
Assistant Professor of Nursing
M.S.N., Michigan State University

BETHANY MUSALLAM

MSN, RN, CPNP-PC

Assistant Professor of Nursing
M.S.N., Wayne State University

JENNIFER ROBINSON

MSN, ACNP, BC

Assistant Professor of Nursing
M.S.N., Wayne State University
B.S.N., University of Detroit Mercy

A degree is just the beginning.

The Rochester University School of Nursing is pleased to offer freshman acceptance to qualified high school seniors. Freshman acceptance assures admission to the nursing program upon completion of prerequisite courses for the nursing major. Prerequisite courses must be completed within two years of initial enrollment to RU.

CRITERIA FOR FRESHMAN ADMISSION

- Minimum cumulative high school GPA of 3.4 on 4.0 scale
- Successful completion (grade of B- or higher) of one year of biology, chemistry and algebra
- ACT composite score greater than or equal to 25 or SAT score of 1200
- Enrollment at Rochester University following high school

APPLICATIONS

- Applications will remain open until all Direct Admit seats are filled. For details contact Admissions at admissions@rochesteru.edu.
- Priority will be given to students who apply before Feb. 1.
- Each applicant will be interviewed by the RU School of Nursing.
- Please submit a brief essay describing the extracurricular and work activities you have been involved in that have contributed personally to you and/or the community. Indicate how you believe these experiences have prepared you for a career in nursing.

UPON DIRECT ADMISSION, STUDENTS WILL:

- Maintain full-time enrollment at Rochester University
- Complete all prerequisite courses and be eligible for the nursing major within two years of initial enrollment
- Pass Rochester University (non-nursing) courses with a C or higher
- Pass Rochester University School of Nursing courses (NUR) with a B- or higher

take the next step

Apply online at Rochesteru.edu/apply



Visit RochesterU.edu/cost for an estimate on the cost of attending RU and your possible financial aid.

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