

BSN Program: RN to BSN Track Frequently Asked Questions

Where is Lewis-Clark State College? Is the BSN program accredited?

The main campus of [Lewis-Clark State College](http://www.lcsc.edu) (LCSC) is located in [Lewiston, Idaho](http://www.lcsc.edu). We also have several Outreach Centers and the Outreach Center in [Coeur d'Alene, Idaho](http://www.lcsc.edu) provides support for the RN to BSN track. Founded in 1893, Lewis-Clark State is a public undergraduate college that serves a highly diverse student population, providing educational opportunities to more than 3,300 students from more than 30 states and 20 countries. For the past several years, LCSC has been ranked as one of the top public colleges in the West, including No. 1 in 2002 and 2005 – by U.S. News & World Report in its rankings of colleges and universities. The BSN Program is fully accredited by the [Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education](http://www.lcsc.edu) (CCNE) and approved by the [Idaho State Board of Nursing](http://www.lcsc.edu).

What is your website address? Where can I find the curriculum plan?

Please visit our website at www.lcsc.edu/nurdiv and click on the RN to BSN track where you'll find the link to the RN to BSN curriculum plan as well as other helpful information. Course descriptions are found in the college catalog at <http://www.lcsc.edu/Catalog/>

Will I get credit for my basic nursing education? What classes will I need to take?

With a recent AS degree, you should normally receive credit for most of the lower general education core courses. You'll need to take one three-credit upper division general education integrative component 350 or 351 class. There are eight credits of support classes (Genetics for Health Sciences, Statistics and Pathophysiology). The nursing courses total 25 credits. LCSC will evaluate your transcript, as it is possible that you have taken classes that are similar in content to those required by the BSN program. If so, you may be able to meet the class requirement with your transfer credits.

Do you offer flexible scheduling? I live out of the area - do you have online delivery?

To accommodate working professionals all courses needed for completion of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree are available online. We are connecting learning to life and strive to make the courses meaningful for practicing RNs. The two senior-level practicum courses require course-based projects which may be completed in your local area.

How long will it take to complete the program?

You should plan to complete the BSN degree in six or less academic years. Full and part-time study options are available. You decide how many classes you want to take at one time and that determines how quickly you complete the program. We have nurses who take one class at a time and others who take several classes at once. With your nursing advisor, you will develop an individualized plan of study.

How much will it cost?

LCSC remains the most affordable public college/university in Idaho. LCSC provides a quality education at a fair price. Part time students, both resident and nonresident, pay a fee of \$273 per credit hour plus course fees (2011-2012). Please review the RN to BSN track cost estimate document found on our website. The most current college tuition and fees information are found on the Controller's Office webpage <http://www.lcsc.edu/controllersoffice/fee-tuition-sched.htm>

How do I get started?

- ***Apply to LCSC.*** Visit LCSC transfer student website and submit an application online <http://www.lcsc.edu/admissions/transfer-students.htm>
- ***Request transcripts.*** Request copies of official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended and have the transcripts sent to LCSC. The transcript request form and additional information are found on the LCSC transfer student website (above).
- ***Meet with a nursing advisor.*** We can schedule a phone meeting to discuss your questions and get you started. Please call (208)792-2688 or email NHS@lcsc.edu with any questions.