

School of Nursing and Allied Health



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The Power of SUNY. The Promise of SUNY Empire.

The State University of New York (SUNY) is made up of 64 campuses linked to a common purpose: to develop graduates with the knowledge and skills to enhance their lives and advance New York, the nation ... and the world.

Where does SUNY Empire State College fit in?
At the forefront. We pioneered non traditional and distance learning nearly 50 years ago.

At SUNY Empire, we don't just deliver education —
we design and lead the future of education.



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SUNY Empire's nursing program is a member of the Tau Kappa At-Large Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.



SUNY Empire State College's RN to BSN, M.S. in Nursing Education, and M.S. in Nursing Administration programs are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing – Education (CCNE).

By 2020, one out of every five dollars will be spent on healthcare in the United States. It is projected that there will be 5.6 million jobs in the healthcare sector by 2020, 82% of which will require postsecondary education.*

*Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce



86%

Percentage of SUNY Empire nursing students who work full time while earning their degree



60%

Percentage of SUNY Empire nursing students who received a promotion or salary increase after earning their degree



297,331

The number of licensed RNs in New York state



50

Average age of RNs in the United States



42%

Percentage of RNs who have a BSN or higher degree



Up to **79 credits** can be transferred into the RN-BSN program

Up to **92 credits** can be transferred into the Allied Health program



40

Average age of a SUNY Empire nursing student



60%

Percentage of the healthcare workforce represented by allied health professionals



We value your healthcare background,

and we recognize the demands your career puts on you. After all, we're nurses and allied health professionals, too.

We also understand the issues you face when it comes to earning your degree — time, money, and personal and professional obligations. SUNY Empire's nursing and allied health programs are designed for working professionals like you.

Our programs can be completed online (some with clinical experiences in your community), on your schedule, full or part time. And as part of SUNY, our programs are affordable.

You can do this. Make it happen.

Undergraduate Areas of Study

Our undergraduate nursing and allied health programs are designed to advance your credentials and respond to the healthcare industry's workforce needs.

Most students complete their program in two to three years.

To view full course listings, visit: www.esc.edu/nursingalliedhealth.

RN to BSN Program

This upper-division nursing program for registered nurses prepares you to assume more responsibility in patient-care delivery, public health, research, and policymaking. It includes online courses and two community-based, precepted, clinical experiences.

Bachelor of Science in Allied Health

SUNY Empire's Bachelor of Science in Allied Health is a flexible, affordable program for allied health professionals who hold an associate degree or diploma, and a license or certification in an allied health field. Our program prepares you to be a full partner on interdisciplinary teams in complex healthcare settings.

New York state's "BSN in 10" law, and how it affects you.

In 2017, New York's governor signed into law a requirement that nurses earn a BSN within 10 years of initial licensure, to maintain registration as a professional nurse in New York state.

The reasons are clear:

- Hospitals with higher percentages of bachelor's-prepared nurses have better patient outcomes, such as lower mortality rates.
- Each increase in percentage of inpatient RNs with BSNs results in an average reduction of 2.12 deaths out of 1,000 patients.
- Length of hospital stay is shorter in facilities where nurses have at least a BSN.
- Community-based care is less expensive in settings where nurses hold a BSN.
- Nurses with a BSN are more satisfied with their jobs than nurses without one.

If you are a currently licensed RN in New York, you're exempt from the time limit on your practice. You're also exempt if you are enrolled in a nursing program in New York or had a nursing school acceptance pending in New York before the legislation was signed.

Source: New York Organization of Nurse Executives and Leaders

The Allied Health Field is Booming

Healthcare practitioners are among the fastest growing occupational groups during the 2016-2026 projections, contributing one-fifth of all new jobs. The aging population, longer life expectancies, and growing rates of chronic conditions will drive continued demand for healthcare professionals.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook 2016-2026

RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Curriculum: The RN to BSN program for registered nurses requires 124 credits you'll complete through a combination of nursing component requirements, transfer credits, and credits earned by meeting SUNY Empire's general learning requirements.

Core: 37 credits

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| NURS 3005 | Educational Planning: Transition to Baccalaureate Nursing | 4 credits |
| NURS 3010 | Health Assessment | 4 credits |
| NURS 3015 | Pharmacology | 4 credits |
| NURS 3020 | Nursing Informatics | 4 credits |
| NURS 3025 | Nursing Research | 4 credits |
| NURS 4005 | Health Care Delivery Systems and Policy | 4 credits |
| NURS 4010 | Professional Issues and Leadership in Contemporary Nursing | 4 credits |
| NURS 4015 | Community Health Nursing | 4 credits |
| NURS 4020 | Baccalaureate Nursing Capstone | 5 credits |

Elective Requirement: 4 credits

More than 50 online courses, as well as selected professional certifications, have been approved by the nursing faculty to meet the elective requirement. The School of Nursing and Allied Health catalog and website include approved courses and certifications that meet the elective requirement.

General Learning Component: 83 credits

The remaining 83 credits are obtained via transfer credit and by completing the SUNY Empire State College general learning requirements.

RN to Bachelor of Science in Nursing: Admission Requirements

- An admissions application and essay
- An active, unencumbered New York state RN license
- An associate degree or diploma from a New York state approved nursing program or equivalent



Bachelor of Science in Allied Health

Curriculum: The Bachelor of Science in allied health for allied health professionals comprises eight online core courses, in addition to elective and general-learning coursework. You can complete your general-learning requirements online or onsite at any regionally accredited institution.

Core: 32 credits

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| EDPL 4005 | Educational Planning: Transition to Baccalaureate Health Professions | 4 credits |
| HLAD 2010 | The United States Health Systems | 4 credits |
| COMM 2005 | Communication for Professionals | 4 credits |
| HLAD 3020 | Cultural Competency in Health Care | 4 credits |
| HSCI 3200 | Health Informatics | 4 credits |
| HLAD 3045 | Healthcare Ethics | 4 credits |
| HLAD 4020 | Leadership in Healthcare | 4 credits |
| HLAD 4015 | Healthcare Policy | 4 credits |

Elective Requirement: 13 credits

Choose from more than 100 online elective courses based on your interests and career goals.

General Learning Component: 79 credits

Earn general-learning credits through transfer credit and/or by completing them online or at any regionally accredited institution.

Bachelor of Science in Allied Health: Admission Requirements

- An admissions application and essay
- An associate degree or diploma in allied health or a related field from an accredited higher-education institution
- A current license or certification (for professions requiring licensure or certification)
- Completion of a minimum of 12 credits in the natural and social sciences (Anatomy and Physiology I and II are required)



Graduate Areas of Study

Our graduate nursing programs will help you get to the next level in today's complex and continually evolving healthcare environment. Most students complete their graduate program in two years.

To view full course listings, visit: www.esc.edu/nursingalliedhealth.

Master of Science in Nursing Education

SUNY Empire's M.S. in nursing education pairs your clinical expertise with your interest in teaching the next generation of nurses. This 36-credit, online program prepares you to be a nurse educator in clinical settings or in colleges and universities.

Master of Science in Nursing Administration

SUNY Empire's M.S. in nursing administration is a 33-credit, online program. The degree prepares you to assume broader leadership roles in nursing management within increasingly complex healthcare organizations and systemwide enterprises.

Out-of-State Students

SUNY Empire State College's graduate degree programs are ideal for working healthcare professionals like you, even if you're not a New York state resident. You'll earn a respected degree from one of the nation's best state university systems, and you'll still pay less than you would at most private and for-profit colleges.



Master of Science in Nursing Administration

Curriculum: The M.S. in nursing administration program is made up of six core courses, four courses within the nursing administration specialty, and one graduate-level elective.

Core: 18 credits

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| NURS 6005 | Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice | 3 credits |
| NURS 6010 | Professional Role Development and Ethics | 3 credits |
| NURS 6015 | Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice | 3 credits |
| NURS 6020 | Contemporary Issues in Health Care | 3 credits |
| NURS 6025 | Informatics and Health Care Technology | 3 credits |
| NURS 6030 | Population Health, Human Diversity, and Social Issues | 3 credits |

Nursing Administration Specialty Courses: 12 credits

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| NURS 6065 | Healthcare Finance and Budgeting | 3 credits |
| NURS 6070 | Organizational Theory and Human Resource Management | 3 credits |
| NURS 6075 | Innovative Leadership in Healthcare Organizations | 3 credits |
| NURS 7010 | Nursing Administration Capstone | 3 credits |

Graduate-level Elective Requirement: 3 credits

Master of Science in Nursing Administration: Admission Requirements

- An admissions application and essay
- An active, unencumbered RN license
- An bachelor's degree in nursing with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- A resumé that clearly demonstrates at least one year of clinical practice as a registered nurse



Master of Science in Nursing Education

Curriculum: The M.S. in nursing education program is made up of six core courses, five courses within the nursing education specialty, and one graduate elective.

Core: 18 credits

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| NURS 6005 | Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice | 3 credits |
| NURS 6010 | Professional Role Development and Ethics | 3 credits |
| NURS 6015 | Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice | 3 credits |
| NURS 6020 | Contemporary Issues in Health Care | 3 credits |
| NURS 6025 | Informatics and Health Care Technology | 3 credits |
| NURS 6030 | Population Health, Human Diversity, and Social Issues | 3 credits |

Nursing Education Specialty Courses: 15 credits

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| NURS 6050 | Curriculum and Program Development | 3 credits |
| NURS 6055 | Instructional Design and Teaching With Technology | 3 credits |
| NURS 6060 | Measurement, Assessment, and Evaluation of Learners and Programs | 3 credits |
| NURS 6080 | Advanced Pathophysiology, Health and Physical Assessment, and Pharmacology | 3 credits |
| NURS 7005 | Nursing Education Capstone | 3 credits |

Graduate-level Elective Requirement: 3 credits

Master of Science in Nursing Education: Admission Requirements

- An admissions application and essay
- An active, unencumbered RN license
- A bachelor's degree in nursing with a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- A resumé that clearly demonstrates at least one year of clinical practice as a registered nurse

Advanced Certificate in Nursing Education

If you hold a Master of Science in Nursing degree in another specialty and want to become a nurse educator, the advanced certificate in nursing education will prepare you to assume roles as a clinical preceptor, staff-development educator, and faculty member in collegiate nursing and allied health programs.

You'll take four graduate-level online courses (12 credits total), which can be completed in two terms. Advanced Pathophysiology, Health and Physical Assessment, and Pharmacology (NURS 6080) or equivalent graduate level content for advanced health assessment, pathophysiology, and pharmacology is a prerequisite for this program.

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| NURS 6050 | Curriculum and Program Development | 3 credits |
| NURS 6055 | Instructional Design and Teaching With Technology | 3 credits |
| NURS 6060 | Measurement, Assessment, and Evaluation of Learners and Programs | 3 credits |
| NURS 7005 | Nursing Education Capstone | 3 credits |



Why Earn Your Degree at SUNY Empire?

Talk to our nursing and allied health students, and they'll tell you they chose SUNY Empire for some critical reasons:

The Ability To Earn Your Degree While You Work

You're juggling a lot of responsibilities — and you need flexibility to earn your degree. **Our programs allow you to earn a living and live your life while you advance your education.** Take your courses part time or full time, online, with clinical experiences in your own community.

Programs at the Forefront of Healthcare

The healthcare industry is driving the need for advanced degrees, with life-changing results for patients. **At SUNY Empire, your instructors are active practitioners, as well as dedicated teachers, and they bring their experience and connections to your program.** And because they have their finger on the pulse of the healthcare industry, your course content includes the latest developments, advancements, and treatments in healthcare.

Accreditation and Credibility

SUNY Empire is regionally accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. In addition, our nursing programs are **accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)**, which means they meet or exceed nationally prescribed standards for nursing education. No matter which program you choose, you'll earn a well-respected SUNY degree.

One-to-one Guidance

Who says "online degree" means "on your own?" Not SUNY Empire. **Here you get personal support and guidance from enrollment to graduation ... and beyond.** Our advisors and mentors are experienced educators who hold a minimum of a master's degree (and many have a doctoral degree).

SUNY Affordability

As part of the State University of New York, SUNY Empire offers a quality education at a fraction of the cost of many private and for-profit institutions. In addition, you may be able to **save time and money with transfer credit or credit for prior learning.** Your advisor will help you maximize your prior learning, so you get the credit you deserve.

Get Started. Here's How.

Thinking about earning your degree in nursing or allied health?
Need a little more information before you take the next step?

Questions?

Call us at **800-GO-TO-ESC** or email enroll@esc.edu.

Visit us at www.esc.edu/nursingalliedhealth.

Nursing:

Call us at **800-847-3000, ext. 3020** or email nursing.program@esc.edu.

Allied Health:

Call us at **800-847-3000, ext. 3045** or email alliedhealthprogram@esc.edu.

Ready to apply?

You'll find our convenient online application, important dates, and admissions requirements on our website at www.esc.edu/admissions/nursing-admissions.



A SUNY Empire Success Story

"SUNY Empire State College gave me the tools and knowledge to advance my nursing career while balancing family life and working full time. As a student, I had learning experiences that I was able to apply to my everyday practice, both clinically and professionally as a business owner. The MSN program at SUNY Empire allowed me to gain knowledge and skills that improve patient care."

David Theobald '13, '17
RN to BSN
M.S. in Nursing Education



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