Thank you for your interest!
The School of Nursing at Boise State supports RN’s in completing their bachelor’s degree through a rewarding and enriching CCNE accredited online RN-BS Completion Track. The program is flexible and courses can be taken part-time or full-time during each fall, spring, and summer semesters.

Application Requirements
To apply to the RN-BS Completion Track, you must:

- Practice or plan to practice as a licensed RN in an eligible state. Eligible states are subject to change based upon State Boards of Nursing regulation.
- Hold an unencumbered RN license or be a current nursing student at a regionally accredited Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program.

Transcript Reviews
If your nursing degree is an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) or you are a Diploma Nurse, please email your transcript(s) to RNBS@boisestate.edu or call (208) 426-1727 prior to applying to the RN-BS program. We will review your credentials and provide you with information about any general education courses needed to transfer and graduate from Boise State.

If your nursing degree is an Associate of Science or you have a non-nursing Associate of Science or bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited school in addition to an AAS degree, you will meet Boise State’s general education requirements. However, don’t hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about transferring or to request a transcript review.

Transfer Credit Information

- Boise State University accepts all academic credit from regionally accredited institutions.
- Non-academic (applied technology) credit from non-accredited institutions are evaluated for transfer on a course-by-course basis by your RN-BS Advisor.
- Courses transfer to Boise State on the same level as taken (lower or upper division) from the original institution.
- Quarter credits are converted to semester credits (one quarter credit equals 2/3 of a semester credit).
- The Office of the Registrar at Boise State retains final decision on accepting any transfer credits.
Statistics Prerequisite Requirement
If you do not transfer in a 3-credit statistics course, you will need to enroll in HLTH 280 (online) or another eligible statistics course during your first semester at Boise State. For verification that you meet the prerequisite or for information on eligible courses, please contact an RN-BS Advisor.

Curriculum & Courses
The program includes 11 required courses and two electives for a total of 30 upper division credits. Most courses are taken over the course of a 16-week semester (14 weeks in summer) with a select group of five week courses.

RN-BS courses provide you with a wide range of competencies in managing the care of patients, evidence-based practice, research skills, health policy, leadership, resource management, and care coordination skills. These skills also provide an academic foundation for pursuing advanced nursing degrees.

Courses Eligible for Enrollment upon ADN Graduation (pre-NCLEX)
There are several courses that RN-BS students may enroll in while enrolled in or upon graduating from a regionally accredited Associate Degree in Nursing program while preparing for the NCLEX.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Course Code</th>
<th>Course Title</th>
<th>Credits</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>HLTH 280</td>
<td>Statistics (if needed)</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 350</td>
<td>University Transitional Foundations</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 392</td>
<td>Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 422</td>
<td>Care Coordination and Resource Management</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 428</td>
<td>Nursing Roles in Healthy Aging</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Five –Week Courses
* NURS-RN 306 Intro to E-Learning (elective) 1
* NURS-RN 430 Financial Preparation for Career (elective) 1
* NURS-RN 430 Palliative Care (elective) 1

NOTE: Students who do not transfer in a 3-credit statistics course will need to enroll in HLTH 280 (available online) or another eligible statistics course during their first semester at Boise State.

Courses Requiring an RN License
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Course Code</th>
<th>Course Title</th>
<th>Credits</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 416</td>
<td>Community and Population Health Nursing</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 417</td>
<td>Community and Population Nursing Lab (project)</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 420</td>
<td>Policy, Power and Voice</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 432</td>
<td>Preparing for Graduate School (8 week course)</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 424</td>
<td>Leadership and Management</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NURS-RN 425</td>
<td>Leadership and Management Lab (project)</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HLTH 400</td>
<td>Inter-professional Capstone</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>*NURS-RN 496</td>
<td>Independent Study (elective)</td>
<td>Variable</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**RN-BS Electives**

Two, one-credit hour electives are required for graduation. One of these elective courses must be a NURS-RN 430 course.

**Clinical Hours**

The RN-BS track of study does **not** require client-based clinical hours or preceptors. There are two project based lab courses that students fulfill in their community.

**Graduation Requirements**

- 30 upper division credits from the online RN-BS curriculum, earning a “C” or above.
- 3-credit undergraduate statistics prerequisite course.
- A minimum of 40 upper-division credits.
- Fulfillment of all general education requirements.
- A minimum of 120 credits completed.

**General Education Requirements**

Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) programs award an Associate of Applied Science (AAS), an Associate of Science (AS) or an Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN). The type of associate degree you earn may affect whether you meet Boise State general education (core course) requirements. Check your degree transcript or with your program to confirm the type of degree is awarded.

**Associate of Applied Science (AAS) or Diploma Nurse**

If your nursing degree is an AAS, or you are a Diploma Nurse, please email your transcript(s) to RNBS@boisestate.edu or call (208) 426-1727 **prior** to applying. One of our RN-BS Advisors will review your credentials and provide you with information about any general education courses needed to transfer and graduate from Boise State.

**Associate of Science, Associate of Science in Nursing or an AAS plus Bachelor’s Degree**

If your nursing degree is an Associate of Science (AS) or an Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) from a regionally accredited institution, or if your nursing degree is an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) and you have also earned a non-nursing bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution, you are “core certified” and meet Boise State’s general education (core course) requirements.

**Credits for Prior Learning**

Students are eligible to receive college credit for prior experience if the 30 upper division program credits and your transfer credits do not meet the 120 required for graduation. You may apply for credits for prior learning (CPL) by contacting your academic advisor. After the successful completion of 12 credits taken at Boise State your advisor will assign CPL as needed.

**Technology Requirements**

Online courses at Boise State will require the following:
Computer capable of running any certified or compatible operating system and web browser listed by Blackboard (no tablets or smartphones).

Reliable internet connection. Broadband or a high speed network connection is preferred.

Access to a scanner.

Ability to send and receive email, including email attachments.

Skills to access the course site and materials online, and to search the Internet.

Knowledge of how to format and submit documents using Microsoft Word and PowerPoint.

Ability to use Adobe Acrobat reader to view course materials.

Access to a device (camera, tablet, smart phone) that allows you to create videos.

**NOTE:** If you are new to online learning we encourage you to take NURS-RN 306, this elective introduces and prepares you for success in an online environment. This elective will count towards your 30 upper division nursing credits.

### Application Process

To enroll in the RN-BS Completion Track:

- Apply and be accepted into Boise State University.
- Complete the supplemental application.
- Follow the instructions in your Welcome Packet to complete an online orientation and register for classes.

### Before You Apply

If any of the following apply to you, please contact us before applying to confirm that your credentials meet our admission requirements.

- You are a [Diploma Nurse](https://www Boise State University).
- Graduated from a school that does not have [regional](https://www Boise State University) accreditation.

### Application Deadlines

The RN-BS Track offers flexible scheduling and all courses are delivered in an online/distance format. Courses can be taken part-time or full-time during the fall or spring semester, and most courses are available during the summer term. Applications received after the dates below will be considered based on course availability.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Start Term/Month</th>
<th>Applications Accepted</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fall Semester (August)</td>
<td>January 1 – July 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Spring Semester (January)</td>
<td>May 1 – Nov 15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Summer Semester (May)</td>
<td>Nov 1 – April 25</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Financial Aid Deadlines
Boise State deadlines may differ from RN-BS deadlines. To guarantee eligibility for financial aid in your first semester, apply by both the RN-BS deadlines AND Boise State application deadlines.

Cost of Attendance
The total cost for each student will vary based upon the type of degree earned and the subsequent number of courses required for graduation. The average cost of the RN-BS Track is $12,160.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Cost</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Boise State Application Fee</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Application Processing Fee for School of Nursing</td>
<td>$20.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RN-BS Nursing Credits ($335 per credit x 30 credits)</td>
<td>$10,050.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Distance Ed Course Fees ($15 per credit x 15 credits)</td>
<td>$450.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Credit for Prior Learning ($20 per class x 9 classes)</td>
<td>$180.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Books ($100 per class x 13 classes)</td>
<td>$1300.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Background Check/Drug Test (if not working)</td>
<td>$110.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Average Cost of RN-BS Track</strong></td>
<td><strong>$12,160.00</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**NOTE:** Fees are subject to change. Your RN-BS Advisor can provide a cost analysis based upon your transcript review.

Financial Aid
The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the foundation for receiving financial aid in the form of grants or loans.

1. Apply for Financial Aid by completing the [FAFSA](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Boise State school code: 001616
2. For more specific financial aid questions, contact Financial Aid at 208-426-1664 or by email at financialaid@boisestate.edu

**NOTE:** To qualify for financial aid, you will generally need to take six credits per semester.

Questions? Contact Us!
The RN-BS Advisors provide friendly advice and timely assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact us with your questions. We are here to support you from admission to graduation.
Your RN-BS Advisors are:

- **Candice Johnson, BA | Advisor**  
  Phone: 208-426-1727 | Email: candicejohnson@boisestate.edu

- **Maura Rasmussen, M.Ed | Manager of Student Enrollment and Advising Services**  
  Phone: 208-426-1768 | Email: mrasmuss@boisestate.edu