

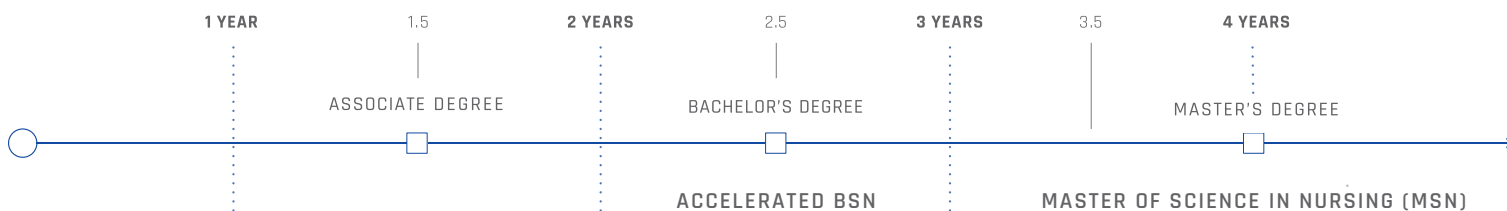



# ACCELERATED BSN

For many of us, our profession is more than a job. It provides a sense of purpose and is closely aligned with our values. That's certainly the case for nurses. They touch people's lives every day. They make a difference.

If this sounds like the career for you, it makes sense to earn your bachelor's degree right away. More and more healthcare providers are looking to hire nurses with a BSN. Most recently, the Institute of Medicine recommended that 80 percent of RNs attain a bachelor's degree by 2020. Moreover, a study from the National Institutes of Health finds that starting wages of BSN nurses are significantly higher than those of nurses with an associate's degree.

Not looking to spend four years in college? Then take a look at ECPI University. Through our accelerated, year-round program, you can earn your Bachelor of Science in Nursing in just 2.5 years!



## Possible Career Track

**Graduates who have completed the Accelerated BSN Program can work in a variety of roles in community health, specialty bedside practice, informatics, and management, pursuing employment in a range of settings including:**

- Primary Care Clinics
- Managed Care Facilities
- Hospitals
- Home Healthcare
- Hospices
- Nursing Education
- Mental Health Agencies
- Military and Industry

## Outcomes

**Upon completion of our Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, you can be prepared to demonstrate the ability to:**

- Provide holistic, safe, competent patient care by applying the nursing process and evidence-based practice to manage the health care needs of culturally diverse individuals, families, groups, and communities.
- Synthesize and apply knowledge from the humanities, the arts and letters, the social and natural sciences as a basis for clinical reasoning and decision-making in nursing practice.
- Effectively communicate using written, verbal and electronic methodologies.
- Collaborate as a member of the interdisciplinary health care team, in partnership with the individual, family, group, or community, to promote health and wellness, prevent disease, and to influence health care delivery.
- Apply theories of nursing, patient teaching, leadership and management, and legal and ethical principles to promote optimal care delivery with nurse-sensitive quality indicators.
- Contribute to the enhancement of nursing practice through the delivery of compassionate care, the evaluation of health outcomes, and the application of research to practice.
- Actively participate in the role of a professional nurse through practice, self-care, leadership and lifelong learning across the continuum of care.
- Apply knowledge of health care policy, finance, and regulatory environments to advocate for the provision of safe and equitable nursing care.

**You must successfully pass the national Council Licensing Exam for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) before being able to practice as a registered nurse.**

\*The information in this section comes from "Bureau of LaborStatistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2012-2013 Edition"