

SCHOOL OF NURSING

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The Mission of the Montclair State School of Nursing is to prepare nurses who are empowered to engage in innovative collaboration with consumers and stakeholders in developing, implementing, and evaluating compassionate, coordinated health care services for diverse populations across settings and time. Nursing education at Montclair State University is grounded in the human science of caring and relationship based care model.

In winter 2017, the School of Nursing moved into its permanent home in the newly renovated Partridge Hall. Here, students use of state-of-the-art facilities including new lecture halls, fully mediated classrooms, an anatomy laboratory, a computer classroom/lab, nursing skills laboratories, and nursing simulation laboratories with high-fidelity patient simulators.

The School's inaugural program, **the Registered Nurse (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)**, was approved in 2015, and enrolled its first cohort in fall 2016. The RN to BSN program provides RNs who graduated from associate degree or diploma programs the opportunity to earn a baccalaureate degree in Nursing. The Montclair State program emphasizes further refinement and advancement of nursing knowledge and skills focused on the future. In spring 2017, the generic Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program was approved. Plans to admit the first freshman class in fall 2017 are currently underway.

The BSN is recognized as the preferred entry-level degree for the nursing profession. In addition to providing nurse generalist employment opportunities, RNs who complete a BSN degree can potentially further their education. BSN prepared RNs are eligible for admission to programs that offer the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), the Doctor of Nurse Practice (DNP), and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degrees. They may also consider advanced practice opportunities in the nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist role. Opportunities exist in the local and national markets for nurses with these advanced degrees and specialty areas of practice.

Undergraduate

- Nursing Major (R.N. to B.S.N.) (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/nursing-rn-bsn>)
- Nursing Major (B.S.N.) (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/nursing-bsn>)

Graduate

- Nursing, Nursing Education Concentration (M.S.N.) (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/nursing-nursing-education-concentration-msn>)
- Nursing, Nursing Administration Concentration (M.S.N.) (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/nursing-nursing-administration-concentration-msn>)
- Nursing, Clinical Research Concentration (M.S.N.) (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/nursing-clinical-research-concentration-msn>)