

Nursing

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Nursing Web Site (<http://www.tamuc.edu/academics/colleges/educationHumanServices/departments/nursing/default.aspx>)

The Nursing Department offers a generic Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), and an RN to BSN program. The generic program is designed to prepare students for licensure and professional practice. The RN to BSN program is for students who are already licensed to practice as a Registered Nurse. General education courses comprise a liberal education foundation upon which professional education builds to prepare students as broadly educated citizens capable of critical thinking. Nursing is an integrative profession, which is built upon supporting arts and sciences and uses concepts, models, and theories from the humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences as foundation for specialized nursing knowledge and the practice of nursing science.

Nursing courses provide knowledge in physical and emotional assessment, theoretical foundations of human behavior, health promotion, illness prevention, and health restoration. Skill in utilizing this knowledge is taught through high fidelity simulation laboratory experiences as well as faculty-planned learning experiences in clinical facilities. BSN graduates are eligible to apply to the Texas Board of Nursing to take the National Council Licensure Examination. After successfully completing this examination, the graduate is issued a license to practice as a Registered Nurse in the state of Texas.

The baccalaureate degree in nursing program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.

Nursing Department Mission

The Nursing Department subscribes to the mission of Texas A&M University-Commerce to "discover and disseminate knowledge for leadership and service." The mission and philosophy for the Nursing Department serve as a foundation for the development, administration, and implementation of the nursing program, integrating the concepts of caring, critical thinking, life-long learning, and professionalism throughout the curriculum. The Nursing Department facilitates the development of competent practitioners with critical thinking skills to meet the diverse and evolving health care needs of individuals, families, groups, and communities. The leadership and services provided by baccalaureate-prepared Registered Nurses is an essential component of health care for vulnerable, underserved, and culturally diverse groups in rural Northeast Texas. The BSN program provides a foundation for graduate study.

Nursing Department Vision

Texas A&M University-Commerce Nursing Department will be recognized as a center of excellence in nursing education that prepares professionals to practice in a dynamic healthcare environment and serve a diverse community.

Pre-Nursing (http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/education-human-services/school-of-nursing/nursing/pre_nursing/)

BSN Nursing (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/education-human-services/school-of-nursing/nursing/bsn-nursing/>)

RN to BSN (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/education-human-services/school-of-nursing/nursing/rn-to-bsn/>)

Nursing Second Bachelor (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/education-human-services/school-of-nursing/nursing/programtextsecondbachelorsdegree/>)