

**UNCG**  
**School of Nursing**

**RN to BSN (Second Degree)**  
**Degree Information**  
**2006-2007**

The BSN completion program for RN students has course offerings for both day and evening students. The length of time required to complete the program varies for each individual due to the number of courses a student takes each semester and the availability of course offerings. Upon admission to the University, RNs must provide the School of Nursing with evidence of graduation from a state board approved nursing program prior to enrolling in NUR 370 and/or NUR 371.

**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS;**

The degree is made up of: Nursing Cognate Requirements, 30 semester hours (s.h.) of credit earned by Special Examinations for nursing courses, 25 s.h. of required nursing courses, and free electives to meet the residency requirement. The minimum hours required for the degree is 122 s.h., but a Registered Nurse with a previous baccalaureate degree will typically have 90+ hours of transfer credit. **A minimum of 31 s.h. must be completed at UNCG.**

**I. COGNATE COURSE**

STA 108 (pre/co-requisite for NUR 473) 3 s.h.

**II. SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS**

Credit earned by special examinations is equated to 30 s.h. (maximum)  
NUR 210, 220, 310, 320, 340, 360 and 380.

**III. REQUIRED NURSING COURSES**

NUR 370 (3:3)	Concepts of Professional Nursing (WI)	3 s.h.
NUR 371 (3:2:3)	Health Assessment (Lab)	3 s.h.
NUR 470 (3:3)	Community Health Nursing	3 s.h.
NUR 471 (3:3)	Older Adult Nursing	3 s.h.
NUR 472 (3:3)	Leadership and Management (SI)	3 s.h.
NUR 473 (3:3)	Research	3 s.h.
NUR 474 (4:1:9)	Practicum (Clinical)	4 s.h.
NUR Elective (3 s.h. minimum)		3 s.h.
		Total = 25 s.h.

- NUR 370, NUR 371 and credit by Special Examinations are prerequisites for and must be successfully completed for matriculation into the following required nursing courses: NUR 470, 471, 472, 473 and 474.
- The School of Nursing offers nursing elective courses from which you may choose: NUR 330, 345, 405, 492, 493 (honors), and 500-level courses for students with advanced standing.
- NUR 473 has pre/co-requisite of Statistics
- NUR 474 has pre/co-requisites of NUR 470, 471, 472 and 473.

**V. FREE ELECTIVES**

The numbers of electives required are 6 semester hours, to reach the residency requirement of 31 s.h. (see below).

## **SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS – RNs**

RN students write NLN Acceleration Challenge Exams II (ACE II) which cover the following subject areas: medical/surgical, pediatric, maternity and psychiatric/mental health nursing. Up to 30 semester hours of credit may be awarded for successful completion of the special exams. The examinations may be repeated one time or the appropriate nursing course may be taken. The examinations are administered in fall and spring semesters. Examination schedules, information and applications are available in rooms 116 and 122 in the Moore Nursing Building or you may call (336) 334-5280 or 334-5288, or you may print the application from the School of Nursing Undergraduate Programs web site ([www.uncg.edu/nur](http://www.uncg.edu/nur)).

Special exams may be taken before, concurrently or after NUR 370 and NUR 371. Prerequisites for the required 400-level nursing courses include successful completion of NUR 370 and 371 with grades of C (2.0) or better and special exam credits for established for NUR 210, 220, 310, 320, 340, 360 and 380.

## **RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION**

“All students are expected to take their last year in residence at UNCG, except those in programs offered in cooperation with another institution and approved by the faculty. All students admitted to UNCG must complete at least 31 semester hours in residence at UNCG for the degree, 12 of which must be in the major field and 9 of which must be in the minor if a minor is sought. Credit earned by special examination may not be used to reduce the minimum residence requirement.” (*UNCG Bulletin*) Please review the University regulations (see most current *UNCG Bulletin*) regarding application for graduation and for requirements to graduate with honor as there are additional requirements.

### **SAMPLE PLAN OF STUDY**

#### **RN to BSN Program for a Second-Degree Student**

(31 s.h. + special exam credits)

#### **Fall Semester**

NUR 370 (WI)	3 s.h.
NUR 371 & L	3 s.h.
UNCG Elective	3 s.h.
Special Exams	(30 s.h.)

#### **Spring Semester**

NUR 471	3 s.h.
NUR 473	3 s.h.
STA 108 (GMT)	3 s.h.

#### **Fall Semester**

NUR 470	3 s.h.
NUR 472 (SI)	3 s.h.

#### **Spring Semester**

NUR 474	4 s.h.
NUR Elective	3 s.h.