

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Program Overview

Langara's [Bachelor of Science in Nursing](#) (BSN) provides graduates with a broad base of knowledge, attitudes, skills and abilities. The program prepares graduates to provide professional nursing services to clients who have a full range of complex health challenges and to work effectively in rapidly changing and diverse practice environments. The program is designed to educate nurses to work with individuals, families, and communities from a caring and health-promotion perspective. Upon successful completion of all the program requirements, leading to a BSN degree, graduates are eligible to write the registration exam to become a Registered Nurse in Canada.

Self-Study

BSN launched its program review in academic year 2022/23 with a Self-Study. Wanda Pierson was the primary Self-Study writer on behalf of the rest of the department's faculty. Additional support was provided by:

- Ann Syme (Dean, Faculty of Nursing)
- Pennie Poon (Manager, Office of Academic Quality Assurance)
- Roshni Riar (Department Assistant, Office of Academic Quality Assurance)
- Sunita Wiebe (Director, Office of Academic Quality Assurance)
- Institutional Research analysts

Data sources for the Self-Study included:

- Institutional Research-compiled student administrative data (*e.g.*, headcounts, retention, satisfaction)
- Student survey
- Alumni survey
- Faculty survey
- Health care authorities survey

The Self-Study was completed in April 2023.

External Review

BSN underwent a CASN (Canadian Association of Schools in Nursing) accreditation review in March 2022 and a BCCNM (British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives) recognition review on December 8, 2022.

Action Plan Goals

In response to the Self-Study and External Review, BSN created an Action Plan with these goals:

- Goal 1: Strengthening external partnership.
- Goal 2: Strengthen curricular elements.
- Goal 3: Support student learning.

Examples of Post-Review Successes

The department reviewed and revised program goals as Program Learning Outcomes. They reviewed admission requirements, particularly the STAT requirement to ensure applicants are completing courses with most

relevance to what will be required in the BSN program and their professional career. They also reviewed admission requirements related to preferential admission for applicants with bachelor's or higher degree from a recognized Canadian institution to ensure a more level playing field for all applicants.