# SECOND DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

#### FIND A NEW PATH

Do you hold a bachelor's or higher degree in another field and wish to pursue nursing as a second career? CUW's accelerated second degree Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree can get you on your path quickly. Registered Nurses experience strong earning potential and high levels of career satisfaction. Nurses with bachelor's degrees are in high demand, and according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the profession is expected to grow 7% by 2029. Nationally, BSN programs offered as a second degree are growing in response to this demand.

### PROGRAM CURRICULUM

During this 15-month program students progress through as part of a cohort. While in the program students are immersed in online course work, participate in hands-on skills and simulation labs on our Mequon campus, and gain clinical experience at surrounding healthcare facilities in southeast Wisconsin. This is a demanding program and students are encouraged to work as few hours as possible.

#### **REQUIRED COURSES**

Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan Health Assessment Across the Lifespan Pharmacology Fundamentals of Professional Nursing Christian Caregiving Evidence-Based Nursing and Change Management Patient-Centered Care: Chronic Care Patient-Centered Care: Chronic Care Clinical Health Systems: Policy, Regulatory, and Quality Issues for Professional Nursing Patient-Centered Care: Acute Conditions Patient-Centered Care: Acute Conditions Clinical Heritage of Faith **Population-Focused Care** Population-Focused Care Clinical Family-Centered Care Theory Family-Centered Care Clinical Patient-Centered Care: Complex Conditions and Transitional Care Theory Transition to Professional Nursing Practice Theory Transition to Professional Nursing Practice Clinical Professional Nursing Preparation and Licensure \*\*Courses and program goals subject to change\*\*

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### *FLEXIBILITY* FOR YOUR LIFE





Classes offered in blended delivery

Hands-on clinical, lab, and simulation experiences on campus

Professors with relevant and real-world experience

#### **CAREER OUTLOOK**

- Hospital
- Hospice
- Clinic
- Long-Term Care
- Home Care
- School

## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally accredited college or university
- Overall GPA of 2.75 or higher
- B or higher in the following courses: Anatomy and Physiology I; Anatomy and Physiology II; Chemistry; Microbiology
- C or higher in College Algebra
- For ESL students, a language test score: TOEFL > 75 or IELTS > 6.5.

#### Upon acceptance to the program, student must complete:

- Certified Nurse Aide (CNA). Alternatives to CNA certification include an LPN license, or certification as an emergency medical technician (EMT).
- American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Professions CPR certification.

### TUITION & SCHOLARSHIPS

There are many scholarships available for posttraditional learners. For CUW go to **cuw.edu/uncommon-scholarships** 

For more information on tuition costs, please visit **cuw.edu/tuition-grad** 

#### ACCREDITATION

Concordia University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (hlcommission.org), a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Concordia University Wisconsin is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (ccneaccreditation.org).

# The application deadline for this program is November 1 for the following spring cohort.

Please note: International students (those who were educated outside of the U.S. and/or require an F1 visa) are not eligible for this hybrid program.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

#### All students applying for admission to the Accelerated Second Degree BSN program must submit:

- Current CV or resume that includes educational and professional experience
- Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions
- Two letters of professional recommendation
- A personal essay addressing the following points; this should be an example of your best writing and should not exceed 350 words per discussion point
  - Describe why you are choosing a career in nursing.
  - Concordia University is Christ-centered, valuing truth and integrity, excellence, and service. How does this fit with your values and beliefs?
  - In reflection on your qualifications as a candidate for our program, describe how you will manage your time and financial responsibilities to be successful in an accelerated nursing program.

#### HOW TO APPLY

Go to **NursingCAS.org** to start your application. Be prepared to submit the items from the checklist above to complete the application process. For assistance or questions, please contact **admission@cuw.edu** or **262.243.4300**.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: CUW.EDU/BSNACC

*INTERESTED* IN THE PROGRAM? CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION: 1.262.243.4300 • admission@cuw.edu