



# BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY & MORTON COLLEGE ACADEMIC PLAN ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (A.A.S.) IN NURSING/ BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BSN) IN NURSING

*Benedictine University and Morton College offer an accelerated RN to BSN program with an MSN pathway, open to Morton students and alumni who have earned an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Nursing.*

## **PROGRAM DELIVERY** .....

- To meet the needs of the busy adult, the RN to BSN program is offered in an accelerated hybrid format as well as online, and can be completed in just 12 months.
- Hybrid cohorts meet one night per week from 6:00 – 9:30 p.m., with some courses entirely online. January start at Morton College in Cicero. March and August starts at COD in Glen Ellyn. January or August starts at Triton College in River Grove may be scheduled pending enrollment.
- Online cohort starts in January and August.
- Students receive personalized attention from faculty and advisors who want them to succeed.
- Early admission option- applications accepted after successful completion of first year of A.D. Nursing program.
- Please visit [ben.edu/gradadult](http://ben.edu/gradadult) for current tuition rates.

## **ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS** .....

- A minimum 2.500/4.000 cumulative GPA from all colleges and universities attended.
- Completion of the first year A.D. nursing courses from a regionally accredited institution.

## **ENROLLMENT IN R.N. TO B.S.N. NRHL COHORT COURSE SEQUENCE** .....

- Conferral of A.A.S. Degree with a major in Nursing from a regionally accredited institution.
- Proof of current, unencumbered R.N. license in the state of R.N. employment.
- 86 semester credit hours in designated, required coursework documented by official college transcripts. Students may have up to 12 general education course credits to complete at the time of enrollment in the RN to BSN NRHL Course Sequence. Such students must have an approved academic plan finalized with the academic advisor within one month of notification of program admission. WRIT 101, WRIT 102, and Statistics must be completed prior to enrollment in NRHL course sequence.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURES** .....

- Submit a completed Benedictine adult undergraduate admissions application. Link to online application and application checklist form at: [ben.edu/gradadult](http://ben.edu/gradadult).
- Submit official transcripts from all community colleges and four-year colleges attended. Electronic transcripts can be sent to [gradadult@ben.edu](mailto:gradadult@ben.edu) or mailed to Benedictine University, 5700 College Rd., Lisle, IL 60532.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO APPLY** .....

Call toll-free at (877) 353-9622, visit [ben.edu/gradadult](http://ben.edu/gradadult).

# ACADEMIC PLAN

## Years 1, 2 and 3 Morton College Courses – 86 Total Semester Credit Hours

BIO 203 Anatomy and Physiology I (4)\*\*  
BIO 204 Anatomy and Physiology II (4)\*\*  
BIO 212 Microbiology (4)\*\*  
ENG 101 Rhetoric I (3)\*\*  
ENG 102 Rhetoric II (3)\*\*  
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)\*\*  
PSY 215 Life Span: Survey of Human Development (3)\*\*  
IAI Humanities (3)\*\*

## Additional Benedictine Required Courses

CHEM 100 Fundamentals of Chemistry or CHEM 105 General Chemistry I or CHEM 106 General Chemistry II or BenU Physical Scientific (QPS) course (3-5)  
IAI Humanities/Fine Arts (*discipline other than philosophy*) (3)  
MAT 141 Statistics (4)\*  
PHI 126 Introduction to Ethics (3)  
SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology (3)  
SPE 101 Principles of Public Speaking (3)\*\*

## +30 Semester Credit Hours Lower Level Nursing\*\*\*

Morton NUR credits above 30 transfer as electives (8)\*\*

Elective credits to transfer total 86 credits to BenU (0-2)

## Total Semester Credit Hours Required to Complete the Entire Program: (86+34) = 120\*\*\*

Please Note:

\*All courses listed in the academic plan designated with an asterisk (\*) must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

\*\*All courses listed in the academic plan designated with two asterisks (\*\*) must be completed with a grade of "C" or better to fulfill Morton College A.A.S. in Nursing requirements.

\*\*\*A minimum total of 120 semester credit hours is required for baccalaureate degree completion from BenU. Students may complete more than the minimum of 120 semester credit hours to meet University degree requirements. At least 34 of the 120 semester credit hours for graduation must be completed at BenU. Students follow the degree requirements for the academic catalog year in which they enter BenU.

+Completion of NRHL 4365 and NRHL 4392 with grades of "B" or better will allow students to waive enrollment in NRHL 5501 when admitted into the BenU MSN Program. Completion of NRHL 4375 with a grade of "B" or better will allow students to waive enrollment in NRHL 5505 when admitted into the BenU MSN Program.

++IAI Humanities include Fine Arts, History, Humanities and Literature courses. Consult a Benedictine admissions counselor or transfer guide at [ben.edu/transferguides](http://ben.edu/transferguides).

Morton courses are not listed in sequence. The A.A.S. in Nursing must be completed and conferred in order to be eligible for this academic plan. Please consult with your Morton academic counselor to determine degree requirements and when Morton courses should be taken. Students will enroll in Benedictine courses in a designated sequence with their cohort team.

Benedictine University reserves the right to evaluate transcripts for any year 1-3 coursework completed at another institution and does not guarantee that courses accepted by Morton will be accepted by Benedictine.

Information included in this guide is subject to change, please consult the course catalog for current program information.

## Benedictine Year 4 Courses – 34 Total Semester Credit Hours

NRHL 3315 Perspectives of Professional Nursing Practice (4)\*  
NRHL 3330 Nursing Scholarship: Role of Research in Evidence-Based Practice (3)\*  
NRHL 3335 Concepts in Collaborative Health Promotion & Disease Prevention for the Older Adult (3)\*  
NRHL 3340 Comprehensive Health and Physical Assessment (3)\*  
NRHL 3345 Applications of the Pathophysiology and Pharmacotherapeutics to Clinical Reasoning (3)\*  
NRHL 4365 Health Promotion for Families, Communities and Populations (3)\*\*  
NRHL 4366 Professional Practice in Health Promotion (3)\*  
NRHL 4375 Healthcare Policy, Regulation & Advocacy (3)\*\*  
NRHL 4392 Nurse Leadership and Interprofessional Collaboration (3)\*\*  
NRHL 4394 Professional Practice in Leadership and Interprofessional Collaboration (3)\*  
IDS 2202 Catholic & Benedictine Intellectual Traditions (3)

Benedictine University is located in Lisle, Illinois, just 25 miles west of Chicago, and has a branch campus in Mesa, Arizona. Founded as a Catholic university in 1887, Benedictine enrolls nearly 5,000 students in 59 bachelor's degree programs, 22 master's degree programs and 4 doctoral programs. Forbes magazine named Benedictine among "America's Top Colleges" for the ninth consecutive year in 2019. Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission ([hlcommission.org](http://hlcommission.org)).

The Annual Security Report and Annual Fire Safety Report are available at [ben.edu/police](http://ben.edu/police).

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