

What Can I do with a Major in **NURSING?**

According to the American Nurses Association, Nursing is the protection, promotion, and optimization of health and abilities, prevention of illness and injury, facilitation of healing, alleviation of suffering through the diagnosis and treatment of human response, and advocacy in the care of individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations.

Registered Nurses Responsibilities (*“What Nurses Do”, American Nurses Association*)

- Perform physical exams and health histories
- Provide health promotion, counseling and education
- Administer medications, wound care, and numerous other personalized interventions
- Interpret patient information and make critical decisions about needed actions
- Coordinate care, in collaboration with a wide array of healthcare professionals
- Direct and supervise care delivered by other healthcare personnel like LPNs and nurse aides
- Conduct research in support of improved practice and patient outcomes

Typical Coursework

Abnormal Psychology
Adult Health and Illness
Biochemistry
Caring for Older Adults
Community Care
Growth and Development
Leadership
Mental Health and Illness

Physical Assessment
Healthcare Systems
Human Anatomy &
Physiology
Mother, Infant, and Child
Health
Microbiology

Communication
Child Psychology
Nutrition
Pharmacology
Physics
Reproductive Health
Statistics/Research

Related Major Skills

Active Listening
Concern for Others
Critical Thinking
Able to Instruct Others
Adaptability/Flexibility
Oral/Written Expression and
Comprehension

Independence
Time Management
Prioritization
Stress Tolerance
Social Perceptiveness

Initiative
Integrity
Attention to Detail
Monitoring
Dependability

Areas of Practice

Acute Care
Community Health
Mental Health
Education Administration
Community/Mental Health
Nursing Administration
Forensics/Corrections
Midwife
Clinical Nurse Specialist

Critical Care
Neonatal Care
Adult Health Care
Staff Development
Neurological Care
Ambulatory Care
Developmental Disabilities
Health Policy
Ambulatory Child Health

Nurse Practitioner
Occupational Health
Family Nursing
Oncology
School Health Nurse
Anesthesia
Gerontology
Pediatrics
Cardiovascular Care

Maternity/Newborn Care
College/University Faculty
Pulmonary Care
Spinal Cord Injury Nurse
Rehabilitation
Transcultural Nursing
Respiratory Care

Trauma/Emergency
Public Health
Surgical Nurse
Nurse Researcher
Staff Development/Educator
Psychiatry
Hospital Administrator

Medical-Surgical
Ambulatory Care
Orthopedics
Chemical Dependency

Who Hires for this Occupation?

Registered nurses work in hospitals, physicians' offices, home healthcare services, and nursing care facilities. They also work in correctional facilities, schools, summer camps, and with the military.

MN Colleges & Universities with a major in Nursing

Augsburg College	Southwest State University
Bemidji State University	St. Catherine University
Bethel University	St. Cloud State University
College of St. Benedict	St. John's University
College of St. Scholastica	St. Mary's University of Minnesota – Minneapolis
Concordia University, St. Paul	St. Olaf College
Gustavus Adolphus College	University of Minnesota, Rochester
Hamline University	University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Metropolitan State University	University of Northwestern, St. Paul
Minnesota State University, Mankato	Winona State University
Minnesota State University, Moorhead	

Professional Association Links

National Student Nurses' Association, <http://www.nsna.org>
American Nurses Association, <http://nursingworld.org>
American Association of Colleges of Nursing, <http://www.aacn.nche.edu>
Honor Society for Nursing, <http://www.nursingsociety.org/Pages/default.aspx>
National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses, <http://www.nflpn.org/>
National League for Nursing, <http://www.nln.org/>

For More Information

Contact ARCC Career Counseling: (763) 433-1240 (CR campus), (763) 433-1840 (Cambridge campus)
or stop by the campus Information Desk

Information adapted from: Minnesota Career Information System <https://mncis.intocareers.org>,
Career Center at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington <http://uncw.edu/career/WhatCanIDoWithaMajorIn.html>
Occupational Outlook Handbook, <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>