Baccalaureate nursing education provides a broad foundation in the sciences and liberal arts necessary for preparing professional nurses who are capable of practicing in a competent and responsible fashion as informed citizens in a global society. Graduates of the baccalaureate nursing program are expected to embody the professional identity of the nurse and to demonstrate competencies consistent with being a critical thinker; a culturally sensitive individual; a knowledgeable care coordinator who embraces and uses technology effectively; an effective communicator; an accountable leader and manager who understands the regulatory environments that affect professional nursing; and a competent care provider who is prepared to practice to the full capacity of the professional nurse role in diverse care environments.

Baccalaureate graduates partner with individuals, families, communities, and populations in attaining mutually established health goals and in facilitating their highest level of functioning and the maximization of their health potential. Baccalaureate nursing education must prepare graduates to be in the forefront of patient care quality and safety and to design and develop more efficient approaches to the delivery of health care services as full partners on the healthcare team.

### COURSEWORK

**General Education Courses**
- Human Biology
- Anatomy and Physiology (I and II)
- Chemistry
- Microbiology
- Mathematics
- English Composition
- Professional Writing skills

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The School of Nursing has fully qualified faculty, many of whom are certified in their specialty area. National Licensure pass rates for graduates of the IU Northwest School of Nursing are among the highest in the state of Indiana.

The School of nursing is housed in the College of Health and Human Services, which allows students to collaborate with students in other healthcare professions. An example of such collaboration is the Inter-Professional Education project, which allows nursing students to work with medical and social work students on a combined, patient-focused project.

### RELATED DEGREE OPTIONS

- RN to BSN (12-month completion option for Registered Nurses with an ASN degree or nursing diploma)
- B.S. in Nursing (traditional option)

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