

## SCHOOL OF NURSING

### In Brief

Purdue University Global's School of Nursing, one of the leading educators of nursing professionals in the country, is committed to training nurses to deliver health care that is evidence-based, safe, and sensitive to the culture of the patient, family, and community at large. The School of Nursing helps its students and graduates build careers in nursing positions where they are expected to blend the latest advances in nursing science and other disciplines with outstanding leadership and interprofessional collaborative care.

Our nursing graduates are tasked with caring for an aging population with greater health care demands, and they play an important role in developing solutions to better manage care, costs, access, and more at a critical time when health care is undergoing unprecedented change.

Most nursing students at Purdue Global are already far along in their nursing careers. They are older (median age 37), working full or part time in the nursing field and raising families while attending school.

### Nursing Programs

Purdue Global's School of Nursing offers five programs. These include:

**Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN):** This degree program prepares individuals to become a registered nurse (RN) and to take the National Council Licensure Examination-Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN) licensing exam.

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN):** The BSN degree program is offered in two pathways, the **prelicensure BSN (PLBSN)** and the **RN-to-BSN**: The PLBSN prepares individuals to become a RN and to take the NCLEX-RN licensing exam. The RN-BSN pathway is for RNs prepared at the diploma or ADN level and is designed to provide an education that enhances the RN's knowledge and skills to better meet the complex and evolving demands of health care.

**Master of Science in Nursing (MSN):** This degree program builds on a BSN prepared RN's previous nursing educational and clinical experience. It prepares students to pursue advanced practice in a variety of health care settings, selecting from five specific areas. The specialty areas at Purdue Global for the MSN include: Executive Leader, Nurse Educator, Family Nurse Practitioner, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner, and the Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner.

**Postgraduate Certificate (PGC):** This program is for RNs who already have a MSN and want to pursue an additional specialty area. The PGC specialty areas include: Executive Leader, Nurse Educator, Family Nurse Practitioner, Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner, and the Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner.

**Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP):** Launched in 2013 and focused on preparing nursing leaders to practice at the highest levels in professional nursing, the DNP program is delivered online with students completing a minimum of 1,000 postbaccalaureate practice hours within their communities. The DNP program is designed to prepare nurses to analyze data and scientific research to improve the nursing practice and quality of health care.

More information about Purdue Global’s School of Nursing degrees can be found at <https://www.purdueglobal.edu/degree-programs/nursing/>.

## Degrees Conferred

The School of Nursing conferred over 1,500 degrees, certificates, and diplomas in Purdue Global’s 2016–2017 academic year. This includes 192 associate’s degrees, 773 bachelor’s degrees, 449 master’s degrees, and 8 doctorate degrees.

## Accreditation and Approvals

The School of Nursing’s baccalaureate degree in nursing, master’s degree in nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice program, and the post-graduate APRN certificate program at Purdue Global are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education ([www.ccnaccreditation.org](http://www.ccnaccreditation.org)).

## Alumni

Below is a sample list of employers with which at least three or more School of Nursing graduates are employed:

Mercy Health	Advocate
Florida Hospital Network	Inova Hospital
DaVita	Lee Memorial Health System
Kaiser Permanente	Pinnacle Health
Baptist Health System	University of Pennsylvania Medical Center
Sparrow Health System	Kindred Healthcare
MedStar	McLaren Flint
Sutter Health	Spectrum Health
UnityPoint Clinic	University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics
Fresenius Medical Care	Jackson Health System
MaineGeneral Health	Sanford Health
Genesis HealthCare System	Vidant Medical Center
Mayo Clinic	Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare
St. Luke’s Hospital	Carolinas HealthCare System
Beaumont Health	Cleveland Clinic
Good Samaritan Hospital	Covenant HealthCare System
Providence Hospital	Mary Washington Healthcare

McLeod Health	Hialeah Hospital
Palmetto Health	Humana
Penn Medicine	North Shore Medical Center
Select Specialty Hospital	University of Miami
Atrium Medical Center	University of Michigan
Bon Secours Home Care	

## Leadership and Full-Time Faculty

<https://www.purdueglobal.edu/degree-programs/nursing/faculty-leadership/>

## Faculty Roster

<https://catalog.purdueglobal.edu/faculty/school-nursing/>