

NURSING 1+2+1

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

NURSING AT SRU

The Nursing 1+2+1 program at SRU is a unique and innovative model designed to help students complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) in an efficient and cost-effective manner. This pathway offers an accessible and flexible route to becoming a registered nurse. In this program, students spend their first and fourth years at Slippery Rock University. Next, students spend years two and three earning their nursing degree at one of three partner institutions:

- Allegheny Health Network (AHN) Schools of Nursing
- Butler County Community College (BC3)
- Community College of Beaver County (CCBC)

After year three, students become eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN and begin working as registered nurses. The final BSN year is completed online through SRU and is designed to accommodate working professionals.

Nursing 1+2+1 students are dual enrolled at both schools during this program, meaning they have access to the resources, support services, housing, and advisors at both locations.

NURSING 1+2+1 ADMISSION CRITERIA

First-Year students must meet the following criteria for direct entry into the Nursing 1+2+1 program:

- All applicants must hold a high school diploma or GED. In addition, applicants must have successfully completed the following high school courses:
 - Mathematics - 2 units (1 unit of Algebra required)
 - Science - 2 units w/a lab (Biology & Chemistry preferred)
 - English - 4 units
 - Social Studies - 3 units
- All applicants must have a 3.6+ GPA and Bs or better in their Math and Science units.
- SAT/ACT and/or TEAS Exam is not an admission requirement for the Nursing 1+2+1 program at SRU. Partner schools may individually require one at the time of application to their nursing program.

DUAL DEGREES AND EARLY LICENSURE

Students earn two degrees in four years—an associate degree or diploma and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). After earning the associate's degree or diploma, students can take the NCLEX-RN exam and begin working as registered nurses while completing their final year of the BSN.



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FLEXIBLE AND STREAMLINED PATHWAY

- **Efficient pathway:** The program integrates two degree paths, reducing the time needed to enter the workforce while maintaining academic rigor.
- **Flexible scheduling:** The structure of the program offers flexibility, allowing students to work as RNs during their final year while pursuing the BSN.

HANDS-ON CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- **Extensive clinical training:** Students gain direct care experiences in diverse healthcare settings through clinical rotations at both community college or diploma schools of nursing and university partners.
- **Preparation for NCLEX-RN:** Strong clinical preparation ensures readiness for the RN licensure exam and entry into the workforce.

PERSONALIZED ATTENTION

- **Personalized support:** Benefit from access to dedicated faculty mentors, career advisors, and support services at both institutions.
- **Close-knit community:** Develop a strong sense of community through engagement with faculty, peers, and local healthcare professional.

HIGH EMPLOYMENT RATES AND OPPORTUNITIES

- **High demand for nurses:** The healthcare industry is experiencing a nursing shortage, making this program an excellent opportunity for job security upon graduation.
- **Early entry into workforce:** Students can start working as RNs earlier than traditional four-year BSN graduates, giving them a head start in their careers.



DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

- **Inclusive program:** The program is designed to be accessible to students from diverse backgrounds, including first-generation college students, non-traditional students, and those balancing work and family.
- **Culturally competent nursing:** The program is committed to training culturally competent nurses who can provide care to diverse populations.

COST SAVINGS AND AFFORDABILITY

- **Affordability:** Students save money by completing two years at a community college, where tuition is typically lower than at a four-year university.
- **Financial aid:** Scholarships, grants, and financial aid opportunities are available for eligible students.
- **Tuition reimbursement:** Upon completion of year three and securing employment as an RN, most employers provide tuition reimbursement for completion of the BSN degree. Students enrolled in the AHN diploma program may receive reimbursement for tuition paid for acquisition of the diploma degree if they agree to work at an AHN facility for a minimum of three (3) years.*

** Tuition reimbursement is offered at the discretion of AHN, is subject to eligibility requirements and program terms, and may be modified or discontinued at any time.*

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