

# School of Nursing

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The School of Nursing offers three distinct programs which lead towards the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree: the Accelerated BSN Program, the Generic BSN Program and a RN to BSN Program.

**Accelerated BSN Program** - offered at the Jersey City Campus. This program is for students who have already earned a bachelor's degree in another discipline but who wish to earn a Bachelor of Science, Nursing degree. The curriculum is designed to prepare nurses with the breadth of knowledge and skills needed for competent, ethical, and empathetic practice. Students are admitted to the Accelerated BSN Program based on criteria found in the Admissions section of this catalog.

**BSN Program** - offered at the Jersey City Campus. Students are not admitted directly into the BSN Program. Students enter the BSN Program at the end of their freshman year, only after successfully completing all requirements for the Pre-Nursing Program. Students apply to the Pre-Nursing Program when they apply for admission to the University. Transfer students should contact Undergraduate Admissions for specific information regarding admission criteria for the nursing major. This program is designed to prepare students who are high school graduates or transfer students from other institutions of higher learning for professional nursing practice. The program of study is based in the liberal arts, sciences and humanities. Students are admitted to the BSN Program at the end of their freshman year after they have successfully completed the Pre-Nursing Program and have met the requirements for admission to the nursing major.

**RN to BSN Program** - offered at the Bergen County Campus. This program is open to any eligible student who already possesses a diploma or associate degree as a registered nurse. This program equips graduates with a breadth of knowledge, skills, and values from both general and professional education. Graduates are prepared for generalist professional practice in a variety of settings and provided with a foundation for graduate education in nursing.

## Accreditation

All BSN Programs at Saint Peter's University are accredited by the New Jersey Board of Nursing and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) 655 K Street NW, Suite 750 Washington, DC 20001 [www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation](http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation)