nipissingu.ca/nursing

RPN to BScN Blended Learning Program

# Nursing

Online - Distance - Fast-track and Part-time options

Nipissing is one of the only universities in Ontario to offer you the option of earning your BScN on a part-time basis and from anywhere in Ontario. If you already have an RPN diploma, are registered through the College of Nurses and are working at one of our partner agencies in Ontario, you are eligible to apply. If you are highly motivated and computer proficient, this program is an excellent alternative to an on-campus program.

The Blended Learning Program functions in partnership with health care agencies across Ontario. It offers the flexibility of allowing you to practice as an RPN while you study year-round in an online learning environment, taking two or three courses per semester and clinical experiences in settings close to your home.

You will study the science behind the nursing profession, health promotion, disease prevention, clinical technology and procedures, and therapeutic communication. At the same time, you will be building valuable skills in observation and assessment, interviewing techniques, critical thinking and problem solving.



### Why Nipissing?

When you accept admission to the School of Nursing at Nipissing, you will learn the science and art of nursing in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. It is a challenging degree program that will expose you to the vast breadth of the profession and a variety of career paths available to you.

Much of your learning will take place in an online environment, but we take care to ensure that you feel supported and part of our community. We provide a special orientation to distance and online learners at the beginning of the program and you will also have opportunities to meet your peers through practicums and clinical experiences. In addition, our faculty and staff are always available should you have concerns or need help.

Our atmosphere fosters professionalism and inclusiveness to all styles of education. With diverse and tangible backgrounds in health care, our professors and instructors are dedicated to your success and through our mentorship model, will help you progress with an emphasis on self-awareness, critical thinking and reflection. We carefully balance theory and clinical practice to make sure that you are well-prepared to practice as a Registered Nurse.

## What does my first year look like?

In first year, you will complete two or three courses per term and be eased into the rhythm of distance learning and working online. This program is completed over three to five years, and you'll complete four practice experiences over the course of the degree.

#### Where Can I Go After Graduation?

As a graduate of the nursing program, you will be equipped with the required nursing knowledge, skills and competencies that you will need to meet your goals. You will be well-positioned to work within the many domains of nursing such as public health, community and hospital nursing, health education and case management. You may also consider future directions in academic or research institutions, furthering your education with graduate studies, research-related jobs or administration. Graduates of Nipissing commence their nursing careers within local, national and international health care delivery environments and many excel in their careers to become leaders in nursing and health care organizations.



For more information about Nipissing, visit www.nipissingu.ca/futurestudents



#### ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

100 College Drive, Box 5002, North Bay, Ontario, Canada P1B 8L7 tel: (705) 474-3450 ext. 4200 • toll free (within Ontario): (800) 655-5154 nuinfo@nipissingu.ca • www.nipissingu.ca

If you would like to request this publication in an alternative format, please contact the External Relations Office at (705) 474-3450 ext. 4078 or email marketing@nipissingu.ca

