

School of Nursing

STUDY PLAN: RPN – BScN PROGRAM - BLENDED LEARNING

Academic Calendar Year: 2025-2026
 Flex-time Fast-track Pathway (Curriculum 3)

Planned Semester	First Offering	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Value	Course Grade
1st Semester		ACAD-1601	Academic Writing	3	
		NSGD 2147	RPN to BScN Role Transition	3	
		NSGD-2216	Critical Inquiry and Evidence Informed Practice	3	
2nd Semester		BIOL-1011	Human Biology and Biochemistry	3	
		NSGD-3006	Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice	3	
	FA 2024	NSGD-2256	Advanced Health Assessment and Clinical Reasoning	3	
3rd Semester		BIOL-2116	Principles of Microbiology	3	
	SS 2025	NSGD-2246	Chronic Illness and Palliative Health Challenges	3	
		MATH-1267	Applied Health Statistics	3	
4th Semester	FA 2025	NSGD-2236	Population Health	3	
	FA 2025	NSGD-3706	Practice Experience 1 (community)	3	
	FA 2025	NSGD-3126	Indigenous Health and Wellness	3	
5th Semester	WI 2025	NSGD-2226	Concepts in Reproductive Health and Developmental Growth	3	
		NSGD-3336	Culture and Nursing Practice	3	
		Elective	Elective	3	
6th Semester		NSGD-2007	Concepts in Mental Health and Addictions	3	
		NSGD-3216	Research in Nursing Practice	3	
		Elective	Elective	3	
7th Semester	WI 2026	NSGD-3116	Concepts in Family and Community Health	3	
	WI 2026	NSGD-3707	Practice Experience 2 (family)	3	
		Elective	Elective	3	
8th Semester	SS 2026	NSGD-XXXX	Advanced Nursing Topics 1	3	
	SS 2026	NSGD-XXXX	Advanced Nursing Topics 2	3	
		NSGD-4777	Leadership in Action	3	
9th Semester		NSGD-4137	Complex Health Challenges II	3	
	SS 2026	NSGD-4706	Practice Experience 3	3	
10th & 11th Semester	FA 2026	NSGD-4704	Integrated Practice Experience Preceptorship (Option to complete in 1 or 2 semesters)	12	

Students should adhere to the degree requirements in place for the year which they are admitted to their degree program. This study plan is only for students admitted in September 2024 or later. Students off sequence or seeking alternate plan options should contact Academic Advising for assistance with a revised plan.

Plan Remarks:

1. The above study plan is only for students in the RPN to BScN Blended Learning program.
2. It is strongly encouraged that students complete their courses in the semesters indicated above in order to ensure program completion.
3. Students admitted to this program receive 30 credits of advanced standing for their successful RPN diploma. Those who receive more than 30 credits of advanced standing/transfer credits for additional education beyond the two-year RPN diploma or have previously completed a university degree should contact Academic Advising at advising@nipissingu.ca. Transfer credits and second degree plans will vary for each student and may impact your degree completion plan. There may be times when either one course or no courses will be available for you if you are not required to take the courses that are offered in that semester. Careful planning with academic advising will assist with the most efficient study plan. Please allow extra time for the processing of transfer credits/advanced standing and second degree plans.
4. A list of available online courses for elective purposes can be found by going to:
<https://www.nipissingu.ca/departments/admissions-registrar/online-offerings>.

Program Remarks:

Grade Requirement:	Students should review the Academic Calendar regarding academic standing and progression regulations. Students will be required to withdraw from the nursing program should they receive more than one grade of "unsatisfactory" in clinical courses.
Timeline Requirement:	Part-time program completion plan is 5 years or 15 semesters. Flex-time fast-track pathway can be completed in 3 ½ years or 10 semesters. All students must complete the program within 7 years.

How to Choose Courses

1. Review the study plan on the first page of this document and your transfer credits to determine which courses you need to complete. Please keep in mind that all students are strongly encouraged to register based on the planned semester column in order to ensure program completion within 7 years.
2. Register in your selected course(s) on WebAdvisor, ensuring that you have completed the necessary prerequisites first (course description and prerequisite information may be found in the Academic Calendar at: <https://www.nipissingu.ca/calendar>)
3. Keep track of the courses that you have successfully completed by viewing 'Summary of Grades' on WebAdvisor. This will help you select courses for future semesters.
4. Contact Academic Advising if you need any assistance with selecting the correct courses in the right order to meet your degree requirements.

When Classes Begin

This information can be found at <http://www.nipissingu.ca> under academics →admissions/registrar→academic dates.

Please register in your classes early. Register before the first day of class to receive your blackboard information in a timely manner and to avoid the possibility of the class filling up. **If you do not register for classes for the term you are admitted (September 2024) then you will be required to submit a new application.**

Important - Please check academic dates when planning for future semesters. It is important that you do not plan any vacation or travel during the exam times, as it is your responsibility to be aware of your course and exam dates.

How to Register

Please note that you will not be able to register for classes until we have received and processed your acceptance of our Offer of Admission. Please register before the first day of classes to avoid the possibility of classes filling up.

1. Access Nipissing University's home page at <https://www.nipissingu.ca>.
2. Click on 'My Nipissing', and then sign in.
Enter your username (your Nipissing email address @my.nipissingu.ca).
Enter your password. Click 'sign in.'
3. Click on 'WebAdvisor'.
4. Click on 'Students' and then on 'Search & Register for Classes.'
5. Select the appropriate term from the dropdown menu. (i.e. 24FW for a Fall and/or Winter course, 25SS for a Spring and/or Summer course)
6. Select the Course Subject (i.e. Biology, Nursing - Distance, Academic Writing) from the dropdown menu.
7. Select the Location 'Distance Learning' from the dropdown menu. Click Submit.
8. Click the box on the left to choose the course(s) you wish to register in.
9. Under the Preferred Sections, you will now be required to select an "Action" for each course you have selected. In the Action box, you have three options: Register, Remove from list, or Waitlist. If the course is open, select 'Register'. If the course is waitlisted, select 'Waitlist' (*see below). If you neither want to register nor go on the waiting list, then you should choose 'Remove from List' to remove that course selection from your Preferred Sections. When registering for courses that are co-requisites you must register for both courses together. Click Submit. **If you have difficulties registering, please try to register in one course at a time.**
10. You will receive a message indicating your status in the chosen course(s). Your status should appear as 'Registered for this section' to indicate that you have registered successfully in the course.
11. Return to the menu, click on 'Search & Register for Classes' and repeat the steps above to register for your next class.
12. Registration for clinical courses is only permitted with permission from the nursing office. Once a student is registered in a clinical course it cannot be dropped without assistance. Once registered, a clinical course will not appear under the register/drop classes menu but it will appear under the View My Class Selections menu.
13. To verify your course selections, click on 'View My Class Selections' on the main menu. This should be completed after adding and dropping courses. You should print this for your records.

***How the Waitlist works:** If you have placed yourself on a waitlist because the course was full, if a spot opens up for you, you will be sent an email to your Nipissing Email Account giving you permission to register. Once you receive the email, you will only have 72 hours to register; therefore, it is very important that you check your Nipissing Email Account on a daily basis. Your Nipissing Email Account can be accessed through 'My Nipissing'. You can view your status on a waiting list under the link 'Manage My Waitlist' through the student menu on WebAdvisor.

It is your responsibility to ensure that the course(s) you selected are appropriate, correct, and complete in terms of fulfilling program requirements. If you have any program requirements questions, please contact Academic Advising at advising@nipissingu.ca or nipissingu.ca/connectwithanadvisor.

If you have registration problems, contact the Registration Department in the Office of the Registrar at 705-474-3450 ext. 4600 or by email at registrar@nipissingu.ca.