

Nursing is a unique and independent discipline, which is constantly evolving to address the needs of society. According to the World Health Organization, 6 million new nurses are needed by 2030 only in low and middle-income countries. There is an international consensus to massively invest in nursing education in response to the global and local healthcare needs. Nursing education of the 21st century ought to reflect contemporary advances in healthcare and prepare nurses to provide holistic and compassionate care across all spheres.

The AUA Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) bridging program is designed for nurses who have a diploma in nursing or midwifery and seek to advance into higher education. The BSN program requires the completion of 75 credits at AUA and typically takes up to 3 years. Our nurse graduates will be able to function independently, professionally, and competently and will employ evidence-based practice, integrate informatics and technology in practice, strengthen academic-practice partnerships, and advocate for career-long learning.

# **Explore** the **Possibilities**

## **Career Opportunities**

Nursing faculty in nursing colleges

Clinical/Nurse educator in medical centers

E-Health implementation specialist

Quality of care and patient safety coordinator

Palliative care or other center directors

Health tourism coordinator

Complex care provider

## Admission Requirements

- AUA Application for Admission to BSN program with all required supplements
- A proof of graduation and transcript from a nursing college with a minimum GPA of 4.00/5.00
- A proof of English language proficiency:
  - TOEFL Internet Based Test (iBT) or Academic IELTS
  - Alternative internal English proficiency testing
  - English Language Proficiency
    Test Waiver
- An interview

### **Financial Assistance**

Citizens of Armenia and Armenian Special Passport Holders will receive an automatic subsidy of **95%** of tuition.

International students are eligible for merit-based scholarships that may cover up to **50%** of the total cost of tuition.

### **Graduate Study Opportunities**

Master's in an Advanced Clinical Nursing Specialty (e.g., Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialist) in Adult, Pediatric, Critical Care, Community, or Psychiatric Nursing

Master's in Advanced Nursing Practice in Leadership and Management

Master's in Public Health or other Health Sciences

PhD in Nursing or other Health Sciences

# What to expect

The program prepares nurses to promote health and deliver nursing care to diverse patient populations across the lifespan and across the four spheres of care: (1) disease prevention and health promotion, (2) chronic disease care, (3) regenerative or restorative care, and (4) palliative or supportive care. AUA prepares nurses who at are not only well-grounded but also well-rounded individuals, who are able to think critically and creatively, to learn on their own, to understand different kinds of thinking, to work in teams, and to deal with people from different cultures and disciplines. The program provides rich and varied opportunities for practice experiences that focus on person-centered care (care of the individual, family, and community).

## **General Education**

The BSN degree consists of two components including the Nursing Major requirements and General Education requirements. While the Major courses provide students with depth, specialization, and career preparation, General Education gives breadth and a foundation of general knowledge, perspectives, and skills for life. Both are carefully designed components to assure that graduates are ready for lifelong learning, whether in the classroom, in their profession, or on their own. For more information, **gened.aua.am**.

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