

MAJOR TO CAREER GUIDE

Nursing

Division of Health Sciences

Mission of the Division of Health Sciences

UNLV's Division of Health Sciences — along with other health science-related programs in the Nevada System of Higher Education — is addressing today's pressing needs and making tomorrow's discoveries.

The division is comprised of the schools of Dental Medicine, Nursing, Community Health Sciences and Allied Health Sciences. Guided by a mission that demands UNLV serves its community, the division is using research, education, training, and service to form unique public and private partnerships. These partnerships are helping provide quality health care to the underserved, educating future professionals, and exploring ways to improve the health and well-being of our citizens. Taken together, UNLV is helping build a foundation for a healthier and more vibrant Nevada.

Visit this site for more information:

<http://www.unlv.edu/healthsciences>

About Nursing

The School of Nursing's undergraduate nursing program has patient-centered care at the core of our curriculum.

Our program is intense and demanding. After completion of prerequisite courses, the nursing courses are offered in an accelerated format within four consecutive semesters, each 15 weeks in length. The Bachelor's of Science in nursing prepares students for entry level nursing practice, as well as future graduate study.

UNLV Academic Advising for Nursing Majors:

Academic Advisors who are eager to meet with students about their academic goals and to assist in constructing a plan for graduation. Advisors can also help students understand how their experiences at UNLV can lead to a career in their desired field.

Division of Health Sciences Advising Center

Phone: 702-895-5448

Campus Location: CEB 399A

<http://alliedhealth.unlv.edu/advising.htm>

Nursing Career Options

The undergraduate nursing program prepares a clinical practice generalist. The educational experience facilitates the student to attain the knowledge, competencies, and attitudes of the professional nurse to practice nursing safely, effectively, and efficiently.

Nursing Graduate Programs

- Master of Science in Nursing: Family Nurse Practitioner Track
- Master of Science in Nursing: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Track
- Master of Science in Nursing: Nurse Educator Track
- Post Master's Certificate: Family Nurse Practitioner
- Post Master's Certificate: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Track
- Post Master's Certificate: Nurse Educator
- Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing: Nursing Education Track
- Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing: Post Doctor of Nursing Practice Track
- Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing: Sustainable Health
- Doctor of Nursing Practice

<http://www.unlv.edu/nursing/academic-programs>

Student Association

Students are encourage to get involved with these organizations early on!

The Student Nurses Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing leadership opportunities, broadening knowledge, exercising community involvement and advocating for and contributing to advances in nursing education.

Student Nursing Association

BHS, Room 405

702-895-1214

UNLVsna@gmail.com

Helpful Career Information

Employers rate candidate soft skills/qualities in order of importance

- 1 Ability to verbally communicate with persons inside and outside the organization
- 2 Ability to work in a team structure
- 3 Ability to make decisions and solve problems
- 4 Ability to plan, organize and prioritize work
- 5 Ability to obtain and process information
- 6 Ability to analyze quantitative data
- 7 Technical knowledge related to the job
- 8 Proficiency with computer software programs
- 9 Ability to create and/or edit written reports
- 10 Ability to sell or influence others

Source: Job Outlook 2013

Courtesy of the National Association of Colleges and Employers

Visit the Career Occupational Handbook to learn more about a specific occupation:

<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>

The OCH covers hundreds of occupations and describes: What They Do, Work Environment, How to Become One, Pay, and more. Each profile also includes BLS employment projections for the 2010–20 decade.

Career Exploration/Planning

FOCUS 2: UNLV's computerized assessment that profiles your interests, abilities, and values and helps you find a career that's right for you.

<http://hire.unlv.edu/careerAssessment.html>

Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI): Assessment designed to identify how you are energized, how you take in information, how you make decisions, and how you approach life.

<http://hire.unlv.edu/careerAssessmentMBTI.html>

Strong Interest Inventory: Generates an in-depth assessment of your interests among a broad range of occupations, work and leisure activities, and educational subjects.

<http://hire.unlv.edu/careerAssessmentStrong.html>

UNLV Career Services

Career Services encourages ALL UNLV students to take advantage of their services, which include:

- Assistance with developing a career plan and choosing a major
- Career counseling and guidance on building a RESUME
- Preparing for an interview, assistance with job searching and networking.

Phone: 702-895-3495

Campus Location: SSC-A 2nd Floor

<http://hire.unlv.edu/>

Internship Opportunities

UNLV **Hire a Rebel** is a free, online recruiting system that helps students, alumni, and employers connect in a variety of ways.

Students can use **Hire a Rebel** to search for: job and internship listings, on-campus recruiting interviews, employer information sessions, resume book database, & dates for career fairs.

<http://hire.unlv.edu/careerLink.html>

MEDIAN SALARIES BY DISCIPLINE 2010-2012

Career	Salary Range	Median Salary
Registered Nurse	\$44,190-\$95,130	\$64,690
Family Nurse Practitioner	\$82,570 - \$108,004	\$92,963
PhD Professor Teaching Nursing	\$52,612 - \$148,578	\$82,737

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2012-13 Edition*, <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>

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