

State University System nursing programs produce high-quality graduates

The State University System offers a variety of programs for students interested in the nursing field. Currently, ten institutions offer 38 nursing programs at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels. Twenty of these programs are at the bachelor's degree level and include traditional programs, freshman-admit programs, one second-degree part-time bachelor's track for working professionals, accelerated programs, and one program designed specifically for veterans.

Over the past ten years, these programs have accommodated more students who would like to enter the nursing field. The State University System added three pre-licensure programs during that time. In addition, these programs have expanded their capacity to serve prospective nursing students, increasing available slots by 43%, therefore admitting more qualified applicants.

Program graduates have high graduation rates, perform well on the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX), and are found employed at high percentages. These positive outcomes demonstrate the System's contribution to the nursing workforce in Florida, helping to ease shortages faced by the state.

Key Highlights

SYSTEM NURSING PROGRAMS



A variety of undergraduate & graduate nursing programs available

BSN PROGRAM OUTCOMES



Awards high-quality bachelor's nursing degrees



90% 4-year graduation rate



High licensure passage rates

EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES



High percentage of graduates employed in all nursing fields



Above average graduate earnings

OVERVIEW OF NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAMS



10 State University System institutions offer a variety of nursing education programs at both the undergraduate & graduate level

Degree Level and Program	FAMU	FAU	FGCU	FIU	FSU	UCF	UF	UNF	USF	UWF	Total
Bachelor's											
Registered Nursing	~	✓	~	✓	~	~	~	~	~	~	10
Master's											
Adult Health Nursing				✓							1
Family Practice Nursing				~						~	2
Nurse Anesthetist					~				~		2
Pediatric Nursing				~							1
Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing				~							1
Registered Nursing	~	~	✓	~		~			~	~	7
Doctorate											
Nurse Anesthetist								~			1
Nursing Practice		~	✓	~	~	~	~	~	~		8
Nursing Science		~		~		~	✓		~		5
TOTAL	2	4	3	8	3	4	3	3	5	3	38

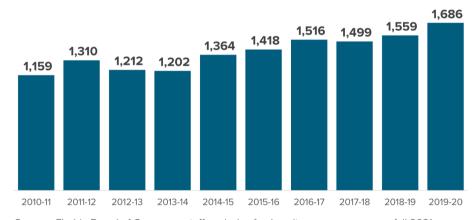
Source: Florida Board of Governors staff analysis of SUDS data based on 2020-21 degree data.





The System offers high-quality bachelor's nursing programs, resulting in high graduation rates & NCLEX exam passage rates

HIGH-QUALITY PROGRAMS PRODUCE MORE PRE-LICENSURE NURSING GRADUATES



The number of pre-licensure nursing graduates has increased by 45% over the past 10 years

The Bachelor's of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree is a pathway to create These pre-licensure new nurses. programs have built the capacity to serve more students, resulting in an increased production of nursing graduates over the past ten years.

Source: Florida Board of Governors staff analysis of university survey responses, fall 2021.

NURSING GRADUATES HAVE HIGH GRADUATION RATES

Nursing programs 90% 4-year FTIC graduation rate All SUS programs **57%** responses, fall 2021. 4-year FTIC graduation rate

Data shows graduation rates for the 2016-20 cohort. Source: Florida Board of Governors staff analysis of university survey

GRADUATES FROM NURSING PROGRAMS HAVE HIGH LICENSURE PASSAGE RATES



of SUS nursing graduates passed the NCLEX exam in 2020

Florida grads exceed the national average passage rate of 90%

96% of these students passed the exam on the first try!

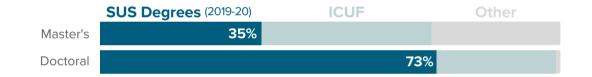
Source: Florida Board of Governors staff analysis of data provided by National Council of State Boards of Nursing, October 2021.

EMPLOYMENT & CONTINUING EDUCATION



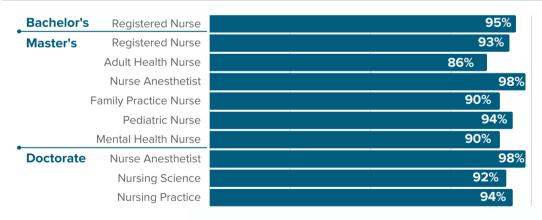
System nursing graduates have high employment rates & starting salaries; many pursue higher nursing degrees

THE SYSTEM COLLECTIVELY AWARDS 42% OF GRADUATE NURSING DEGREES



Source: Florida Board of Governors staff analysis of 2019-20 IPEDS data.

ACROSS ALL NURSING FIELDS, SYSTEM GRADUATES ARE EMPLOYED AT HIGH RATES





The System trains various types of nurses who help meet critical workforce needs after graduation

Source: Data provided by the Florida Board of Governors Office of Data Analytics on 12-5-21 using the MyFloridaFuture data set.

NURSING BACHELOR'S GRADS EARN HIGHER THAN AVERAGE WAGES



Notes: Low, median, and high represents 25th, 50th, and 75th percentile earnings for bachelor's graduates working full-time one year after graduation.

Source: Florida Board of Governors, MyFloridaFuture tool, January 2022.