Nursing
IU School of Medicine

ABOUT THE MAJOR

Nursing majors study current trends in healthcare and focus on wellness/illness concepts and delivery of care in hospital and community based settings. While Nursing relies heavily on the social abilities of the person giving care, it also requires a large base of scientific knowledge. It is a large occupational arena involving diverse and changing roles, and includes areas of specialty in surgery, maternity, pediatrics, emergency room, intensive care, and more.

Skills and abilities this major develops include: critical thinking and problem solving, communication skills, teamwork, cultural competency, knowledge of human anatomy and physiology.

OPPORTUNITIES AFTER GRADUATION

Career Opportunities
According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of Registered Nurses is expected to grow 16% between 2014 and 2024, which is much faster than average for all occupations. This growth is expected because of an increased emphasis on preventative care, the increasing needs of an aging US population, and the increase of chronic conditions such as obesity and diabetes.

Salary Information
According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average annual salary for Registered Nurses in the state of Indiana is $63,640. Nation-wide, the average annual salary is $68,450. In 2016, the average starting salary for new graduates from the School of Nursing at IUPUI was $46,298.

(This section is intended for informational purposes, not prediction of actual salary.)

Graduate & Professional School Paths
Nursing students might pursue advanced degrees in the following areas: Nursing Administration, Business Administration, Nurse Practitioner, Law, and Occupational Therapy.

WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION

IU School of Medicine
medicine.iu.edu/hpp

Nurses for a Healthier Tomorrow
www.nurseSOURCE.org

Johnson & Johnson
www.discovernursing.org

Sample Coursework:
- Human anatomy & physiology
- Microbiology
- Health care delivery systems
- Pathophysiology & pharmacology for nursing practice
- Health assessment

Possible Careers:
- Medical/surgical specialties
- Pediatrics
- Emergency room
- Home healthcare
- Nursing administrator*
- Care coordinator

* Career option requires additional training or education

Where Could I Work?
- Hospitals
- Rehabilitation Centers
- Clinics
- Pharmaceutical companies
- Insurance and Healthcare Companies
- Schools

Complementing Interests:

Social
Investigative

Get your interest code at go.iupui.edu/interests

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