

Berry College Nursing Program (BSN)

Licensure Disclosure, 2024-25

The Berry College Division of Nursing (BCDON) curriculum and program of nursing study customarily leading to registered nurse (RN) licensure has been designed to meet the requirements of the Georgia Board of Nursing. The BCDON enjoys rights of Full approval granted by the Georgia Board of Nursing.

Berry College currently does not have any online undergraduate programs, nor does it enroll any undergraduate students in online courses during their first semester of enrollment. For the undergraduate Nursing (BSN) program, the students' first semester of enrollment in the programs will always be in-person.

Licensure boards in each state are responsible for establishing the requirements for licensure/certification for their state. BCDON strongly recommends students to inquire with the applicable state board to confirm their eligibility for licensure prior to enrolling in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. Students who intend to return or move to any state other than Georgia need to consult with that state's professional licensing board. The state professional licensing boards make the ultimate decision as to whether or not an individual will be eligible to sit for licensure based on the rules and regulations in place at the time the individual submits their application for licensure.

- Licensing requirements vary by state/territory and relocating could impact whether you will meet eligibility requirements for licensure. For any questions about relocation eligibility, contact the agency where you desire licensure before relocating to ensure that you will be eligible for licensure or reciprocity. Georgia is a part of the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) making it possible for any nurse licensed in Georgia to obtain a multistate license allowing them to practice in any of the other compact states that are part of the agreement. The following states are included in the NLC agreement as of January 2025:
 - **Fully Implemented States:**
Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming
 - **Partially Implemented States:**
 - Guam:** Nurses with active, unencumbered multistate licenses from other compact states can practice in Guam. However, nurses residing in Guam cannot obtain a multistate license until full implementation is achieved
 - Pennsylvania:** Nurses holding an active multistate license from another compact state can practice in Pennsylvania. However, Pennsylvania residents cannot yet apply for a multistate license until full implementation is complete
 - **Enacted but Awaiting Implementation:**
 - Connecticut:** Legislation was signed into law on May 30, 2024, with an effective date of October 1, 2025
 - Massachusetts:** Governor Healey signed the NLC into law on November 20, 2024. The state is now working towards implementation

-U.S. Virgin Islands: The NLC was enacted on December 6, 2021, but is awaiting implementation pending the establishment of necessary processes

All other states or territories would want the licensure to be obtained after endorsement. Students in those states should directly contact their state's license-granting entities for additional information.