



Hood College DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

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As part of The Ruth Whitaker Holmes School of Behavioral and Health Sciences, the Department of Nursing provides students with the tools to meet the increasing complexity of healthcare in the 21st century. Our program gives you a foundation of both liberal arts and nursing coursework, focusing on the essential knowledge, skills and attitudes for contemporary nursing practice.

The curriculum promotes the integration of nursing science, humanities, and behavioral and physical sciences as a basis for nursing practice, including clinical reasoning and clinical judgment. We prepare professionals who utilize the nursing process to provide safe, competent care to culturally diverse clients across their lifespan. You will enhance your leadership and communication skills through participation as a collaborative member of a healthcare team.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing program at Hood College is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and approved by the Maryland Board of Nursing and the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

TURN YOUR PASSION
FOR HELPING OTHERS
INTO A CAREER
IN HEALTHCARE.



The rigorous nursing courses at Hood College have made me an empathetic and disciplined person. The professors and clinical instructors motivate us to strive for the best because we will one day be someone's nurse. Achieving my BSN at Hood has taught me how to be proud of myself.

— NICOLE ADAMES '25
Nursing Major





UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Nursing (BSN)
- Public Health (B.A.)

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Health Informatics (M.S. or Certificate)
- Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)
- Nutrition Science (M.S.)
 - Dietetics Track
 - Nutrition Science Track

NURSING

As a nursing student at Hood, you will have access to our state-of-the-art facilities, including numerous simulation labs equipped with high-fidelity equipment and technology used in real-world nursing practice.

The hospital-style rooms can be converted into intensive care, pediatric, obstetric and patient-centered care rooms. Simulation scenarios and debriefing sessions are used to teach you the latest evidence-based practice, while developing your clinical reasoning and judgment skills.

Learning through simulation is aimed at providing realistic patient care scenarios. These can be recorded for viewing later, as you reflect on the clinical decision-making used during care. Simulation is an essential part of nursing education, where students can apply their knowledge without fear of harming a real patient.

Our objective is to provide you with a high-quality educational experience that increases your professional aptitude, broadens your choices for career advancement and improves the quality of nursing both locally and regionally.

WHY GET YOUR BSN?

- **Higher earnings**—a BSN can set you up for increased wages in your career, with a median salary of more than \$90,000 for registered nurses.
- **Employment rates**—the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) reports that 94% of BSN holders found employment within four to six months of graduation. More than 40% of hospitals and healthcare facilities require a BSN for employment.



- **Diverse settings**—a BSN can take you to a variety of healthcare settings, including hospitals, outpatient care, community clinics and home health services.
- **Career advancement**—with a BSN, you can apply for leadership or specialty roles, such as case manager or quality assurance coordinator. You will also become eligible to pursue graduate-level nursing studies.
- **Improved patient outcomes**—having a comprehensive nursing education and greater autonomy has been shown to significantly improve the quality of patient care under BSN-prepared nurses.

PUBLIC HEALTH

The public health major encompasses science, math, social and behavioral sciences, psychology, biology, health, communication, sociology and social work. This highly interdisciplinary program epitomizes Hood's mission of providing students a comprehensive liberal arts education integrated with professional development.

As part of the public health core curriculum, you will complete a year-long, applied service-learning internship based on your unique interests, which may use elective credits to pursue a related course of study (minor or certificate). This well-rounded educational experience will prepare you for entry-level professions in government, nonprofits, education, advocacy and research.

CAREERS IN NURSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Healthcare professionals are in high demand, with faster than average job growth and strong wages.

- Biostatistician
- Community Service Manager
- Epidemiologist
- Healthcare Consultant
- Nurse Educator
- Nursing Manager/Director
- Nurse Practitioner
- Registered Nurse
- Vocational Nurse



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Our faculty are committed teachers, active in scholarship, service and mentorship—faculty who will work with you and help develop your critical thinking skills.

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