

RIBN Program Description

RIBN is a partnership between Robeson Community College (RCC) and UNC Pembroke (UNCP) that utilizes a four-year shared curriculum pathway for students to achieve a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN) at the beginning of their nursing careers. This program offers an affordable and accessible option for obtaining a baccalaureate degree while remaining in one's home community; a longer career with increased earnings and career options; and increased educational opportunities for graduate education at the masters and doctoral levels.

Employment opportunities are vast within the global health care system and may include positions within acute, chronic, extended, industrial, and community health care facilities.

The ADN program at RCC and the BSN program at UNCP are approved by the North Carolina Board of Nursing.

Students in the RIBN Track will:

- **Receive Early Assurance of admission into the UNCP RN-BSN program and may receive priority admission into the community college ADN Program (with requirements met).**
- Complete the first three years home-based at RCC with prerequisite and general education courses the first year and then nursing courses the second and third years.
- Focus on nursing course work that includes and builds upon the domains of healthcare, nursing practice, and the holistic individual. Content emphasizes the nurse as a member of the interdisciplinary team providing safe, individualized care while employing evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and informatics.
- Receive their Associate Degree in Nursing at the end of the third year and must successfully pass the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) to be eligible to progress into the fourth year of the program.
- Complete the fourth year through UNCP inclusive of courses on community health nursing, nursing research, and nursing leadership perspectives to complete the BSN degree.
- Have the option to work as a Registered Nurse while completing the fourth year of the program.

RIBN Admission Requirements

Year one entry for high school students requires the following:

- A minimum unweighted cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is required for all high school course work.
- A minimum composite ACT score of 18 or higher or SAT score of 920 or higher combined math and reading.
- Acceptance into UNC-Pembroke as a degree seeking student.

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- Acceptance into the community college as a degree seeking student.
- A grade of C or higher in all required courses or the ability to retake any failed courses within the first year of RIBN.
- Placement into ENG 111 and MAT 143.

Year one entry for students with 12 or more college credits requires the following:

- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale in all college courses is required (includes courses taken at all universities and/or community colleges).
- A grade of C or higher in all required courses or the ability to retake any failed courses within the first year of RIBN.
- Acceptance into UNC-Pembroke as a degree seeking student.
- Acceptance into the community college as a degree seeking student.
- Placement into ENG 111 and MAT 143.

Students seeking to enter the RIBN track directly into Year 2 must have:

- A grade of C or higher in BIO 165/168, BIO 166/169, CHM 131/151, ENG 111, ENG 112, PSY 150, MAT 143/171, MAT 152, and a minimum of any two additional RIBN courses.
- A feasible plan of study must be created with the Student Success Advocate which shows completion of RIBN in 3 years.
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale in all college courses is required (includes courses taken at all universities and/or community colleges).
- Successfully meet HESI/TEAS requirements.
- Have completed nurse aid requirements by the fall semester.
- Have submitted an application to the ADN Program.
- Have received provisional acceptance into the ADN Program or provide a letter of recommendation from the ADN director.
- Acceptance into UNC-Pembroke as a degree seeking student.

Deadline

Priority applications are due by February 1. Students are encouraged to apply during the fall semester during the year prior to their anticipated entry. Qualified applicants will be placed until the program limit is reached.

Requirements and Progression Information

As the RIBN program features a structured curriculum, all students must remain in compliance with the plan of study, as determined by their academic advisor, throughout the program. Failure to do so may result in dismissal from the RIBN track.

Students must have already completed, or be able to complete by the end of the first year, a state-approved Nurse Aide I course. Students must have an active listing on the North Carolina NA I registry in order to begin Year 2 of RIBN.

Year One

The ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) must be taken by Robeson Community College's Early Admission Deadline for the ADN Application. The date varies by year and may be located on the timeline posted on the RCC ADN website. Students are encouraged to take the TEAS in December or February.

- Students can only take the TEAS twice in a year.
- To schedule a test date, contact Angel Hall in Admissions.
- Cost is \$58.00.
- There is no minimum score requirement for the TEAS.

Complete the first year curriculum plan with a grade of "C" or higher in each course.

Complete and pass a Nurse Aid I course and be listed on the NC Nurse Aid Registry.

Maintain a GPA of 2.8 or greater.

Attend a Nursing Program Information Session.

Submit your Robeson Community College Nursing Application by the Early Admission Application deadline.

Years Two and Three

Complete the second and third year curriculum plans at RCC.

Maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.8 and minimum math and science GPA of 2.8.

Graduate with an Associate Degree in Nursing and, optionally, the Associate in General Education Nursing degree, at the end of Year Three.

Take the NCLEX-RN and obtain an RN license to practice in North Carolina prior to the fall semester of Year Four.

Re-submit a UNCP application for admission and RN-BSN application in the spring semester of Year Three.

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Year Four

Students may work with a local employer as a nurse during the fourth year.

Complete the fourth year curriculum at UNCP (online courses).

Graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the end of Year Four.

Contact Information

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RIBN Curriculum Plan Effective Fall 2019

Year One

Fall Semester

ACA 122 / UNV 1000	1
BIO 168 / BIO 2110	4
ENG 111 / ENG 1050	3
PSY 150 / PSY 2110	3
Fine Art Elective ¹	3
History Elective ²	3
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Spring Semester

BIO 169 / BIO 2120	4
ENG 112 or 114 / ENG 1060	3
CHM 151 / CHM 1300	4
MAT 143 or 171 / MAT 1070	4
SOC 210 / SOC 1020	3
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Summer Semester

PSY 241 / PSY 2050	3
CHM 152 / CHM 1310	4
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Year Two

Fall Semester

NUR 111	8
NUR 117	2
NUR 133	3
Physical Education (PED) ⁷	1
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Spring Semester

NUR 112	5
NUR 114	5
BIO 275 / 3150	4
English Literature Elective ⁴	3
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Summer Semester

NUR 113	3
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Year Three

Fall Semester

NUR 211	3
NUR 212	3
PHI 240	3
Social Science Elective ⁶	3
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Spring Semester

NUR 213	4
SOC 213	3
MAT 152 / MAT 2100	4
NUR 2020 (Optional)	1
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Year Four

Fall Semester

NUR 3100	3
NUR 3200	3
NUR 4000	3
NUR 3250	3
NUR 4120	5
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Spring Semester

NUR 2020 (if not taken)	1
NUR 4350	5
NUR 4550	3
NUR 3000	3
NUR 3300	3
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1. Fine Art Elective Choices: ART 111, 114, 115, or MUS 110, MUS 112

2. History Elective Choices: HIS 111, 112, 131, 132

3. Humanity Elective Choices: PHI 215, HUM 115, PHI 240

4. English Literature Elective Choices: ENG 231 or ENG 232

5. Sociology Elective Choices: SOC 213, SOC 220, SOC 225, SOC 230, or SOC 240

6. Social Science Elective Choices: ECO 251, ECO 252, or POL 120.

7. PED 110 Recommended. Other options include PED: 110-133, 135-140, 142-156, 158, 160-164, 169-176, 181-188, or 210-211

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