



RN-to-BSN Academic Progression in Nursing in Washington State Fact Sheet

1. Washington State Community & Technical Colleges Offering PN and RN Education:

- 33 community/technical colleges offer PN and RN programs
 - 12 offer RN with PN option
 - 9 offer RN only
 - 6 offer PN to RN bridge only
 - 3 RN with PN option and PN to RN bridge
 - 3 offer PN only

2. RN-to-BSN programs are currently offered through 4 public universities, 2 private universities, 2 community college and 1 online university:

- 4 Public universities: University of Washington Bothell, University of Washington Tacoma, Washington State University, and Western Washington University (2013)
- 2 Private Universities : Seattle Pacific University and Saint Martin's University (2012)
- 1 Online University: Western Governor's University (2011)
- 2 Community Colleges: Olympic College (2007) and Bellevue College (2013)

3. RN-BSN Access Through Partnerships with Community Colleges & Employers

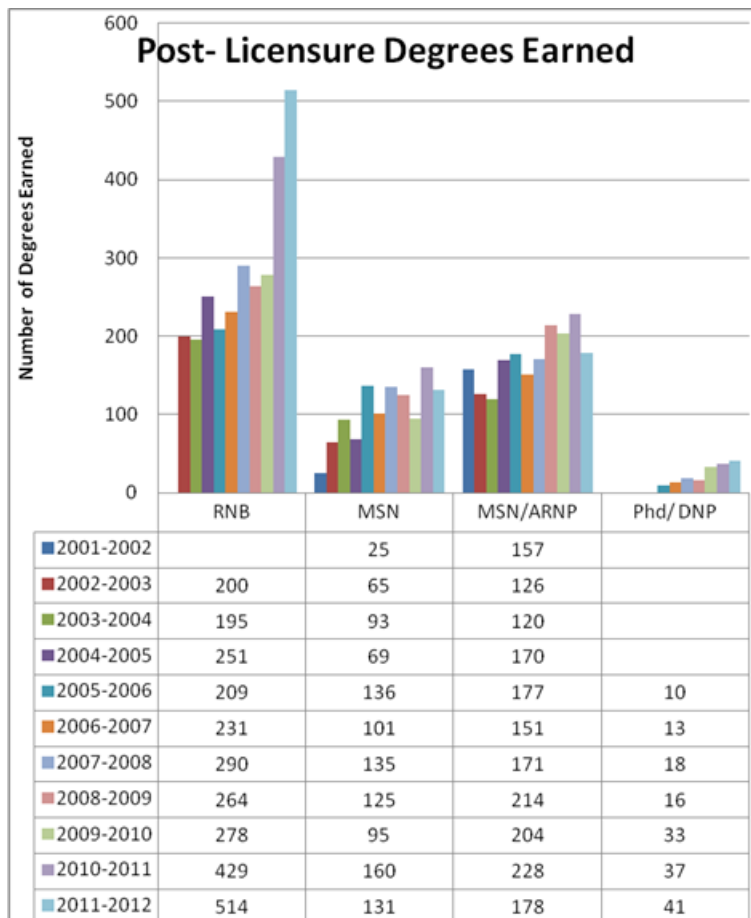
- All community colleges have at least one formal articulation agreement with existing Washington approved, university-based RN-BSN program.
- First RN-BSN program at a community college was developed in partnership with a university-based RN-BSN Program (Olympic College & UW Tacoma, 2007)
- University-based RN-BSN programs offered off-site at employer and/or CTC campuses:
- SPU – public/private partnerships between multiple employers: Group Health (Seattle) with ITV access in Spokane, and Olympia; Valley Medical Center, Renton, WA. Not limited to nurses working at these facilities but open to any qualified RN interested in completing their RN-BSN.
- UW Bothell – Skagit Valley College (2007), Everett Community College (2010) and Harborview MC (2014) and UW Tacoma – Providence St. Peter Hospital, Olympia, WA
- Washington State University – Yakima Valley College and Walla Walla Community College sites in addition to WSU campuses in Spokane, Tri-Cities and Vancouver, WA.



4. Additional RN-to-BSN Program Proposals in Development:

- City University of Seattle
- Columbia Basin Community College (Tri-Cities)
- Seattle Central Community College
- Wenatchee Valley College

5. Increases in RN-BSN Enrollment





6. RNB Enrollments/Graduations 2011 data

Program	UWB	UWT	WSU	SPU	OC	WGU
Institution	4 yr. public	4 yr. public	4 yr. public	4 yr. private	2 yr. public	4 yr. online
Start date	1992	1992	1990	1973	2007	2011 (WA)
Locations	3	2	5 + online	2 + ITV	1	Online
RNB alumni	1,680	1,005	1,611	368	51	
2011-12:						
Enrollment	309	158	217	56	51	233
Graduations	190	90	165	16	28	30

7. Innovations in Partnerships Enhancing Seamless Academic Progression:

- Common transferrable nursing pre-requisites for the AAS-T degree to convey message to students that the AAS-T is the first step in nursing education, Currently, 11 RN programs offer the AAS-T degree; 8 are in the process of transitioning to this degree and remaining plan to move forward in seeking institutional approval
- Washington State University: 3 flexible options: F2F, asynchronous online and synchronous video streaming in 5 locations (Spokane, Tri-Cities, Vancouver, Walla Walla, Yakima, WA)
- Dual admission – Saint Martin's University with two other universities in planning stages (UW Bothell, Western Washington University)
- State wide workgroup of community/technical college and university nursing programs with seeking to standardize RN credits and streamline general university requirements to approximate a 180 quarter and 120 semester credit RN-BSN pathway. Supported by staff from the State Board of Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC), Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC), the Joint Transfer Council (JTC) and the Nursing Quality Care Assurance Commission (NQCAC).



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