

## School of Nursing and Health Professions

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### Overview:

Registered nurses (RNs) provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions, and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members. In a summary of duties provided by O'Net, nurses assess patient health problems and needs, develop and implement nursing care plans, and maintain medical records. They administer nursing care to the ill, injured, convalescent, or disabled patients. In addition, they may advise patients on health maintenance and disease prevention or provide case management. Stevenson's Bachelor of Science in Nursing prepares you for the critical and expanding role of the nurse in today's healthcare system. The program's philosophy and focus emphasize the ethic of care, critical thinking, and a spirit of inquiry in education, practice, service, and research. Stevenson's Bachelor of Science in Nursing is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and approved by the Maryland Board of Nursing (MBON). Upon successful completion of all degree requirements, you are eligible for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) to become a registered nurse.

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### Acquired Skills MOST Valued by Employers:

- Holistic Nursing Practice
  - Health Care in Diverse Settings
  - Ethical and Legal Responsibility/Accountability
  - Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
  - Oral/Written Communications
  - Teamwork/Collaboration
  - Digital Technology
  - Leadership
  - Professionalism/Work Ethic
  - Career Management
  - Global/Intercultural Fluency
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### Common Pathways:

- Hospice and Palliative Care
- Psychiatric-Mental Health
- Rehabilitation
- Oncology
- Critical Care
- Health Education and Promotion
- Home Health Care
- Neonatal Care
- Operating room nursing
- Cardiovascular
- Healthcare Administration
- Patient Advocacy

*Please note that some of these pathways require an advanced post bachelor's degree*

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### Common Industries:

- State and local health departments
  - Assisted Living
  - Government
  - Insurance
  - Education
  - Psychiatric hospitals and mental health agencies
  - Home health care agencies
  - Pharmaceutical companies
  - Clinics and medical centers
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### Sample of Employers of Stevenson University students:

- Anne Arundel Medical Center
- Franklin Square Medical Center
- Frederick Memorial Hospital
- GBMC
- Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital
- Sinai Hospital
- St Agnes Hospital
- St. Joseph's Hospital
- University of Maryland Medical Center
- University Of Maryland Medical Center

- Mercy Medical Center

- Upper Chesapeake Hospital

#### **Clinical Placement Sites for Stevenson Students:**

- Access Carroll
- Anne Arundel Medical Center
- Baltimore County Health Department
- Baltimore County Public Schools
- Carroll Hospital Center
- Doctors Wound Care
- Franklin Square Hospital
- Frederick Memorial Hospital
- GBMC
- Gilchrist Hospice Care
- Harford County Public Schools
- Healthcare for the Homeless
- Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Mercy Medical Center
- Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital
- Patient First
- Sinai Hospital
- The Center for Autism and PDD - CSAAC
- Union Memorial Hospital
- University of Maryland Medial Center
- William Paca Elementary School

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#### **Graduate Schools Attended by Stevenson Alumni:**

- Georgetown University
- New York Medical College
- Stevenson University
- University of Maryland School of Nursing
- University of Pennsylvania

#### **An Employer's Perspective:**

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, “employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 19 percent from 2012 to 2022, faster than the average for all occupations. Growth will occur for a number of reasons, including an increased emphasis on preventative care; healthcare reform; growing rates of chronic conditions, such as diabetes and obesity; and demand for healthcare services from the baby boomer population, as they live longer and more active lives. “Nurses need the skills to be able to draw out information from patients, critical thinking skills, and patience and compassion to be competitive in the workforce. It is also important that they engage in life-long learning as the industry continues to change.”

#### **Salaries:**

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national media pay for Registered Nurses is \$61,470; however, salaries are dependent upon the industry, level of position, and geographical region. A few good resources for researching salaries of specific jobs within various industries are [www.salary.com](http://www.salary.com) and [www.payscale.com](http://www.payscale.com). You can find additional information through the Bureau of Labor and Statistics at <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/registered-nurses.htm#tab-5>.

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