



# DISCLOSURE REGARDING PROGRAM PREPARATION FOR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION

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**COLLEGE**

College of Nursing

**PROGRAM**

Nursing, BSN

The University of Central Florida is committed to providing clear and accurate information to current and prospective students to help inform career planning. The UCF program identified above prepares students to practice in a field with professional licensure or certification available. However, specific licensure and certification requirements can and often do vary by state<sup>1</sup>. Requirements typically include earning a degree or other educational credential in the field from an institution and program that meet certain eligibility requirements in that state (e.g., curricular requirements, accredited status, approval by the state licensing board); passing a state or national exam; working in the field for a minimum period of time; and/or completing a certain number of clinical hours. If your career plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements of the state in which you hope to practice.

## UCF Program Preparation in the State of Florida

The above-named UCF program meets the educational requirements for licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN) in the state of Florida. UCF's Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) programs are nationally accredited by the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Students who graduate from the Traditional and Second Degree BSN programs at UCF will meet the educational eligibility criteria for the National Council for Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) for obtaining their license to practice as a registered nurse in Florida.

UCF's Registrar's Office will first verify and confirm all degree requirements have been satisfied. UCF College of Nursing will then provide a list of NCLEX-RN BSN degree candidates to Florida's State Board of Nursing. We recommend that students take the NCLEX-RN within 4-8 weeks of graduation.

Students who are enrolled in a Concurrent ASN to BSN program will take the NCLEX-RN after successfully completing the ASN portion of their program and prior to enrolling in their final BSN courses at UCF.

## UCF Program Preparation in Other U.S. States

As a member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), UCF is authorized to offer educational programs in all states (except California), the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The state of California is not currently a member of NC-SARA.

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<sup>1</sup> Following 34 CFR 600.2, a state is defined as a State of the Union, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau.

We are currently unable to determine whether or not the above-named program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification in any additional states.

If you have an interest in pursuing licensure or certification outside the state of Florida, we advise you to determine whether or not this program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply in that location. You are welcome to reach out to the UCF program contact identified below with questions in this regard, and we will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

### **Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) Information**

As Florida is part of the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC), nurses with a RN license in the state of Florida may additionally apply for a compact license to be eligible to practice in 34 U.S. states without obtaining additional licenses for those states: AL, AZ, AR, CO, DE, FL, GA, ID, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MS, MO, MT, NE, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WV, WI, and WY.

States currently pending NLC legislation include: AK, CA, GU, IL, MA, MI, MN, PA, RI and VT.

States and territories that are not part of the NLC include: AS, CNMI, CT, DC, HI, NV, NY, OH, OR, VI and WA.

The most up-to-date information on the NLC can be found on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing website at <https://www.ncsbn.org/nurse-licensure-compact.htm>.

### **Enrollment Eligibility Outside of Florida**

The above-named UCF program is primarily a face-to-face program taught in Florida. If there are online courses allowed during this degree program, you may enroll in these online courses **as long as you will be physically located in a NLC state for the duration of your education.**

UCF College of Nursing faculty are authorized to teach in NLC states. Due to nursing education restrictions imposed by non-NLC states, UCF is unable to offer courses, clinicals, or other educational services regardless of modality within non-NLC states. Should you be physically located within a non-NLC state for more than a vacation or brief visit, regardless of your legal state of residence or the type of license you have, you will be unable to apply or continue your nursing degree program at the UCF College of Nursing. This includes, but is not limited to, students accepting traveling nurse positions in a non-NLC state.

### **UCF Program Eligibility Outside the United States**

This disclosure does not address program eligibility in countries outside the United States. We are unable to determine whether or not the above-named degree program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification outside the United States. Again, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements in the location in which you hope to practice.

### **Program Contact Information**

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*This communication addresses disclosures to prospective and current students as required by UCF's membership in the National Council's State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement and those set forth in 34 CFR 668.43(a)(5)(v) and 34 CFR 668.72(c)(2).*