

## RN to BSN Programs in Montana

There are 3 public programs in Montana that offer a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN) for the Registered Nurse with an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ASN). The programs are Montana State University Northern (MSU-N) in Havre, Montana Tech of the University of Montana (MT Tech of UM) in Butte, and Salish Kootenai College (SKC) in Pablo. Mt Tech of UM and MSU-N are on semester systems while SKC is on a quarter system. One semester unit = 1 ½ quarter units such that 4 semester credits = 6 quarter credits. The following table includes basic information about these programs.

Table 1. Comparison of Baccalaureate Nursing Programs in Montana for the Registered Nurse with an Associate of Science Degree in Nursing.

	MT Tech of UM	MSU Northern	SKC
<b>Admission Requirements:</b>			
General Requirements:	RN License ASN Degree Transcripts Apply to MT Tech Apply to Nursing Dept	RN License ASN Degree Transcripts Apply to MSU-N Apply to Nursing Dept Health Insurance	RN License ASN Degree Transcripts Apply to SKC Apply to Nursing Dept Health Insurance Driver's License
GPA	2.5 (general education & nursing)	2.25 (cumulative)	2.50 (general education & nursing)
<b>Prerequisite Courses:</b>			
	ASN coursework	ASN coursework	ASN coursework and:  Native American Studies/Humanities Elective (6) Statistics (5) Native American Studies Advanced (3) Intro Sociology / Anthropology (5) Writing for Health Professions (3)  Total <i>quarter</i> credits: 22 Minimum grade in each course: C
<b>Graduation Requirements:</b>			
General Education Courses (credits):	Intro to Biostatistics (3) Humanities & Fine Arts (3) Professional Ethics (3) Advanced Business Writing (3)  Minimum grade in each course: C - Total semester credits: 12	Introduction to Statistics (3) Humanities / Fine Arts (6) Cultural Diversity (3) Technology (3)  Minimum grade in each course: C Total semester credits: 15	See above Prerequisite Courses.
Nursing Courses	- Advanced Pathophysiology (3)	- Community Nursing (5)	- Genetics, Genomics, & Epidemiology

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(credits):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Advanced Health Assessment (3)</li> <li>- Nursing Theory (3)</li> <li>- Community Health Nursing (4)</li> <li>- Trends &amp; Issues in Professional Nursing (2)</li> <li>- Care of Aging Client (3)</li> <li>- Family Nursing (3)</li> <li>- Nursing Research (3)</li> <li>- Electrocardiography (3)</li> <li>- Nursing Across the Health Care Continuum (3)</li> <li>- Nursing Leadership &amp; Management (6)</li> </ul> <p>Minimum grade in each course: C + Total credits: 36</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Community Nursing Clinical (1)</li> <li>- Theoretical Foundations of Nursing (3)</li> <li>- Health Assessment (3)</li> <li>- High Acuity Nursing (3)</li> <li>- Health Education (3)</li> <li>- Nursing Research (3)</li> <li>- Case Management (3)</li> <li>- Nursing Leadership &amp; Management (5)</li> <li>- Nursing Leadership &amp; Management Clinical (1)</li> <li>- Nursing elective (3)</li> </ul> <p>Minimum grade in each course: C Total credits: 33</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(5)</li> <li>- Culture &amp; Caring (5)</li> <li>- Nursing Application: Leadership and Outcomes Management (10)</li> <li>- Nursing Applications: Population Focused Care (10)</li> <li>- Nursing Integration: Focused Care II (10)</li> </ul> <p>Minimum grade in each course: C Total <b>quarter</b> credits: 40</p>			
Total Credits:	ASN: 72 semester credits General Education: 12 Nursing: 36 Total to Graduate: 120 (semester)	ASN: 72 semester credits General Education: 15 Nursing: 33 Total to Graduate: 120 (semester) (at least 30 at MSU-N; 39 upper division)	ASN: 122 <b>quarter</b> credits General Education: 22 Nursing: 40 Total to Graduate: 184 ( <b>quarter</b> )			
<b>Tuition and Selected Fees (2012 – 2013):</b>						
	Full Time Tuition: (12-25 credits)	Part Time Tuition: (1-11 credits)	Full Time Tuition: (12-18 credits)	Part Time Tuition: (1 – 11 credits)	Full Time Tuition: (12-18 quarter credits)	Part Time Tuition: (1 – 11 quarter credits)
MT Resident:	\$3218	\$226 / credit	\$2857	\$254 / 1 <sup>st</sup> credit and varies with # credits thereafter.	Indian: \$996 Indian Descendent: \$1212 Not Descendent: \$1692	Indian: \$83/credit Indian Descendent: \$101 / credit Not Descendent: \$141 / credit
Nonresident:	\$9039	\$533 / credit	\$8777	\$677 / 1 <sup>st</sup> credit and varies with # credits thereafter.	\$3420	\$285 / credit
Program Fees:	\$550 / semester		\$185 / semester		\$300 / quarter	
Online Fees:	\$20 / credit		None		\$5 / credit	
Time Limit to Finish:	5 years		5 years		5 years	