

What you can do with your Nursing major



As a Nursing major, you will study techniques and procedures for promoting health, and caring for disabled, sick, or otherwise unwell persons. Nursing roles range from direct patient care to case management, establishing nursing practice standards, developing quality assurance procedures, and directing complex nursing care systems. With the development of essential technical, critical thinking and advanced problem-solving skills, you have access to most health care-related industries and/or a myriad of clinical areas and career paths. Among these are pediatrics, family health, gerontology, oncology, neurology, epidemiology, addiction, health informatics, and more. Wide-ranging venues can include private/public health agencies, insurance and drug companies, nursing homes, hospice, and the military.

According to the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 6% from 2021 to 2031, about average for all occupations. Demand for expanding and/or changing health care services will continue due to many changing demographic, market, legislative, technical and regulatory forces.

Essential Skills & Characteristics to develop and highlight:



Passion for solving problems



Love of Laboratories



Active, hands-on learning



Data analysis



Attention to detail and organization



Digital Literacy



Written and Oral Communications



Teamwork

How To Get Started:

- [Assess](#) your personal strengths & preferences
- [Research opportunities](#): online/in-person
- [Expand your nursing & healthcare network](#) and professional brand
- Get an [internship/relevant](#) work experience
- [Join a professional healthcare organization](#)
- [Connect with professionals](#) through career conversations & job shadowing

Chart Your Path Forward with the [Career Success Center](#)

[Activate Your Handshake Account](#)

for events, coaching appointments and connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking & more!
www.wcsu.edu/handshake

[Explore Career Communities](#)

to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your Nursing major into success.

[Get Career & Internship Advising](#)

from the Career Success Center to make a plan, whether you're a first-year student or about to graduate

Put your Nursing major to **WORK**

Common Alumni Job Titles:

- Registered Nurse
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Dental Hygienist
- Paramedic
- Nurse Anesthetist
- Nurse Practitioner
- Physician Assistant
- Nurse Midwife

Employers of Nursing Majors:

- Danbury Hospital
- Western Connecticut Health Network
- Yale New Haven Hospital
- Nuvance Health
- Hartford Hospital
- Stamford Hospital
- Norwalk Hospital
- WCSU

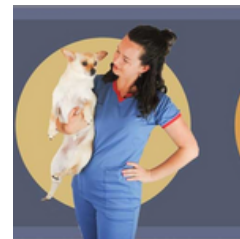
Recent Nursing Alumni

Employment Sector

- 43 % Health Care and Social Assistance
- 19 % Retail Trade
- 13 % Administrative, Support and Waste management
- 13 % Manufacturing
- 6 % Accommodation and Food Services
- 2 % Educational Services
- 2 % Other Services (Except Public Administration)
- 2 % Management of Companies and Enterprises

Live & Work

- 85 % Connecticut
- 9 % New England
- 4 % Middle Atlantic
- 2 % South Atlantic



Maggie Cleary

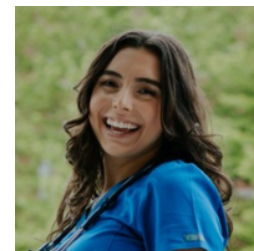
BSN, Class of 2018

Cardiac/Telemetry RN at Danbury Hospital and launched a scrub business called Summertime Scrubs

"My time at WCSU definitely helped me learn how to make connections, and my time in the honors program taught me to think outside the box. These things have allowed me to grow in my career and become an entrepreneur."

Informational & Job Websites

- <https://wcsu.joinhandshake.com/login>
- <https://www.liquidcompass.com/institutions/wcsu>
- <https://www.nurse.com/jobs/>
- <https://www.nurserecruiter.com/find-a-job>
- <https://www.nursingnetwork.com/nursing-jobs>
- <http://nurse.org/articles/tips-on-applying-for-your-first-nursing-job/>
- <http://www.amsn.org/>
- <http://www.academyonline.org/>
- <http://www.aana.com/>
- <http://www.napnap.org/>
- <http://www.nadnp.net/>
- <http://www.isncc.org/>



Catherine Costa

BSN, Class of 2022

ER Nurse, Bridgeport Hospital

"These past four years at WCSU have offered me tremendous opportunities to grow not only as a professional, but as a leader inside the classroom and out. The Nursing Department has challenged me academically and taught me valuable life skills, such as time management and perseverance, which will all prove to be incredibly beneficial as I start my career as a registered nurse."

Career Communities for Nursing Majors

The Career Success Center has seven Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few suggestions on where Nursing majors can start.

Not inspired by these options? Visit our website at www.wcsu.edu/careersuccess/career-communities/ to view more.

- [Healthcare, Wellness and Life Sciences](#)
- [Education and Human Services](#)
- [Government, Public Policy and Non-Profits](#)