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OU offers two online, education completion programs for registered nurses

Oakland University's School of Nursing offers the ease and convenience of two accredited, online completion programs – the RN to BSN and the RN to MSN programs – for nurses with a diploma or associate's degree who want to invest in their future.

These degrees can broaden the scope of practice in nursing, increase earning potential and offer better opportunities in the job market.

"A BSN or MSN is required for leadership positions within the hospital and for educator roles," said Kathy Ryan, former chief nursing officer of Providence Hospital – Southfield.

Associate degree graduates can take all of the coursework online and can complete it in as few as two and a half years, while maintaining their employment. No additional clinical time is required. Scholarships and financial aid are available for eligible applicants.

Both programs provide the essentials in nursing theory, leadership, biological and behavioral sciences, nursing informatics, evidence-based practice, humanities and preparation for advanced-practice nursing.

"We value all of our RNs. Of course, from a professional perspective, having a BSN provides the nurse with a wider base of knowledge and opens the doors for continued growth in the years that follow," Ryan said. "With the BSN or MSN, they will be well on their way for the next steps in their careers."

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SUMMARY

OU's School of Nursing offers the ease and convenience of two accredited, online completion programs for nurses with a diploma or associate's degree.

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