

# BCIT SPECIALTY NURSING UNDERGRADUATE NURSING ELECTIVES

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If you're a student in an accredited RN or BSN program seeking specialized nursing knowledge, look no further than BCIT's Specialty Nursing department.

The only program of its kind in Canada, Specialty Nursing is a part of the School of Health Sciences and offers advanced training in a variety of specialized nursing disciplines to students of accredited nursing programs. Through partnership with industry and in accordance with the mission of BCIT, Specialty Nursing programs provide students with both theoretical and practice-based learning to achieve competence and a vision for excellence in specialty nursing practice. Graduates of our certificate programs meet the growing need for knowledge based specialists to work in high-skill, high-reward practice areas.

Courses are offered through distance learning and on a part-time basis allowing maximum flexibility for learners. RN and BSN students who are permitted to take elective courses outside their institution may take the first two theory courses of the specific specialty you are interested in. This will allow you to earn credit that can be used upon graduation to continue to take courses in your field of interest, while you are working, with the objective of completing an advanced practice specialty certificate. Specialty Certificates require between 24 and 33 credits to complete, with most courses worth 3-4 credits. Certificates can be completed in as few as 18 months.

In the future, RNs with college diplomas who wish to advance their practice may take advantage of the unique opportunity BCIT offers to use these courses as a part of a specialty certificate and a Bachelor of Science Nursing (BSN) degree. As well, previous experience and academic learning of working RNs may be eligible for credit through our [Prior Learning Assessment Recognition \(PLAR\)](#) process.

Learn more about [Specialty Nursing's Bachelor of Science Nursing](#) program today!

With over 10 different specialties to choose from, BCIT helps RNs qualify for jobs in demand.



*Your future in  
Specialty  
Nursing starts  
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#### MORE INFORMATION

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## BCIT Specialty Nursing Courses As Undergraduate Nursing Electives

All of the courses listed below are offered through distance education in online or paper based format. All courses are offered every term (January, April and September) and BCIT terms are 12 weeks in length. The courses offered are all part of the course matrix for certificate completion and not continuing education credits.

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Critical Care	<p>Andrea Ford <a href="mailto:Andrea_Ford@bcit.ca">Andrea_Ford@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7083</p> <p>Program Assistant Janet Brisson <a href="mailto:Janet_Brisson@bcit.ca">Janet_Brisson@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7103</p>	<p>Critical Care Nursing Website <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680dascert#overview">www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680dascert#overview</a></p> <p>Course Outlines NSCC7100 Introduction to Critical Care Nursing (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031806">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031806</a> NSCC 7150 Dysrhythmia Interpretation and Management (2 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133033546">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133033546</a></p>
Emergency	<p>Kathy Kennedy <a href="mailto:Kathryn_Kennedy@bcit.ca">Kathryn_Kennedy@bcit.ca</a> 604-456-8021</p> <p>Program Assistant Maya Heskia <a href="mailto:Maya_Heskia@bcit.ca">Maya_Heskia@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7094</p>	<p>Emergency Nursing Website <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680eascert#overview">www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680eascert#overview</a></p> <p>Course Outlines NSCC 7150 Dysrhythmia Interpretation and Management (2 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133033546">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133033546</a> NSER7110 Emergency Nursing Theory 1 (4 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133036426">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133036426</a> Undergrad BSN students can take NSCC7150 in their third-to-last term and NSER7110 in their second-to-last term of their program.</p>
High Acuity	<p>Deborah Yates <a href="mailto:Deborah_Yates@bcit.ca">Deborah_Yates@bcit.ca</a> 604-453-4075</p> <p>Program Assistants Stephanie Wood <a href="mailto:Stephanie_Wood@bcit.ca">Stephanie_Wood@bcit.ca</a> 604-454-2230 Sandra McIvor <a href="mailto:Sandra_McIvor@bcit.ca">Sandra_McIvor@bcit.ca</a> 604-432-8982</p>	<p>High Acuity Nursing Website <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680wascert">www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680wascert</a></p> <p>Course Outlines NSHA7100 High Acuity Specialty Nursing Theory 1(4 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133034077">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133034077</a></p>
Neonatal	<p>Treena Cardiff <a href="mailto:Treena_Cardiff@bcit.ca">Treena_Cardiff@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7080</p> <p>Program Assistants Stephanie Wood <a href="mailto:Stephanie_Wood@bcit.ca">Stephanie_Wood@bcit.ca</a> 604-454-2230 Sandra McIvor <a href="mailto:Sandra_McIvor@bcit.ca">Sandra_McIvor@bcit.ca</a> 604-432-8982</p>	<p>Neonatal Nursing Website <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680fascert#courses">www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680fascert#courses</a></p> <p>Course Outlines *NSNE7100 Neonatal Theory 1(3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031838">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031838</a> NSNE7200 Neonatal Theory 2 (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031839">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031839</a></p>
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Occupational	Janet	Occupational Health Nursing Website

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Perinatal	Reina Van Lagen <a href="mailto:Reina_Van_Lagen@bcit.ca">Reina Van Lagen@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7081  Program Assistant Sheila Torgerson <a href="mailto:Sheila_Torgerson@bcit.ca">Sheila Torgerson@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7102	Perinatal Nursing Website <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680cascert#overview">www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680cascert#overview</a>  Course Outlines *NSPN 7100 Perinatal Nursing Theory 1 - Healthy Childbearing Experiences & The Newborn (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031816">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031816</a> NSPN 7200 Perinatal Theory 2 Childbearing Women (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031817">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031817</a> NSPN 7155 The Breastfeeding Experience (2 credits) *This course contains the same theory as NSPN 7150, but does not have the clinical component. <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040015">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040015</a>  NSPN 7720 Contraceptive Management in Reproductive Health for CRNBC Certification (2 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133036966">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133036966</a> NSPN 7735 Sexually Transmitted Infections Management Modified (2 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040021">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040021</a> *NSPN 7740 Introduction to Sexual Health Rehabilitation 1 (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040022">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040022</a> NSPN 7745 Introduction to Sexual Health Rehabilitation 2 (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040023">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133040023</a>
Perioperative	Karen Sheehan <a href="mailto:Karen_Sheehan@bcit.ca">Karen Sheehan@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7079  Program Assistant Sheila Torgerson <a href="mailto:Sheila_Torgerson@bcit.ca">Sheila Torgerson@bcit.ca</a> 604-451-7102	Perioperative Nursing Website <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680pascert">www.bcit.ca/study/programs/680pascert</a>  Course Outlines *NSPO7100 Perioperative Theory 1: Developing Perioperative Partnerships (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031854">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133031854</a> NSPO 7250 Perioperative Theory 2: The Nurse in the Scrub Role (3 credits) <a href="http://www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133039150">www.bcit.ca/study/outlines/20133039150</a>  Please note- progress in the Perioperative Nursing Program is conditional: Enrollment in clinical courses is only possible for industry sponsored students. Please contact the Program Head for further information.

**\*Prerequisite courses for the specialty programs, the students will take these courses if they only have the choice of one elective.**

## Registration

The students should be advised that these courses follow a structured schedule within the 12 week term and it is important that the students start on time. They should also be aware that deadlines for course activities need to be observed to avoid marks deductions for late submissions. Students that are concerned about their ability to complete the course within the 12 week term should contact the Program Heads or Program Assistants to discuss their options before registering in the course.

To register for the course the students should:

- Go to the appropriate specialty website (link provided)
- Click on the courses tab on the right hand side of the page
- Identify course of interest
- Click on “check availability”
- Select the section
- Follow the directions for payment
- Select materials from bookstore if required.

*I can honestly say that your program is the best nursing program that I have ever attended...*

*Your program has made a lasting impact on not only my nursing practice, but also my academic pursuits and my entire life.*

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