

Sentara College Ranks High in Nursing Education

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Sentara College of Health Sciences is ranked one of the best schools for online nursing education, according to multiple independent sources.

- [#1 Most Affordable RN to BSN Degree Online in US](#)
 - by Best Degree Programs

“Making this list is an honor,” said Dr. Judith Johnson, chair of Nursing Programs for Sentara College. “We are humbled by the recognition our community gives us yearly. It is a testament to our values as an academic institution,” said Johnson.

In its 130-year history, Sentara College is grounded in tradition, embraces the most current trends in healthcare, and brings extraordinary nursing professionals into the community.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing program exposes students to challenges and practices and includes 900 hours of hands-on experiences to give graduates the real-world skills they need to succeed.

Because of Sentara College’s commitment to quality education, 99 percent of the college’s BSN graduates passed their NCLEX licensure exam on the first attempt last year. For MSN graduates, the figure was 100 percent.

“We are committed to excellence in everything we do,” said Johnson. “Whether teaching, advising, or role modeling professional values, our faculty and staff give their best to support student success. Our students are dedicated, passionate, and resilient,” said Johnson.

Sentara College students learn in classrooms, skills labs, clinical settings, and online. Students gain 900 hours of hands-on experience – far surpassing the requirements for licensure or offered in many other programs.

The Sentara College of Health Sciences nursing program has provided exceptional education for more than 130 years. The college traces its roots to Norfolk’s first nursing program, begun in 1892 at the 24-bed “Retreat for the Sick.” This facility has

since grown into the sprawling and acclaimed Sentara Norfolk General Hospital. Students in Sentara's program learn in this and other award-winning Sentara facilities, providing crucial care to real patients, working shoulder-to-shoulder with renowned Sentara healthcare providers.

Sentara College's ranking highlights its steadfast commitment to its students, quality education, and the importance of making sound educational decisions before selecting a college or university.

"As consumers, prospective students explore different options before making a decision that will impact the rest of their lives," said Johnson. "These lists highlight specific characteristics of the programs and help support informed decisions about where to pursue an academic degree," said Johnson.

ABOUT SENTARA COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Sentara College of Health Sciences is an accredited, not-for-profit institution of higher learning that confers master's, bachelor's, and associate degrees in nursing and allied health disciplines, in addition to multiple certificate courses. The 130-year-old college is among the most selective in the region, and boasts consistently excellent outcomes for student retention, placement, and licensure rates. Many of the college's graduates go on to enjoy rewarding careers in the highly respected Sentara Healthcare System. Learn more at sentara.edu.