Career Outlook: Nursing

Nursing Programs Available at Bemidji State University:

- **Major:** Nursing (B.S.)
- **Tracks:** RN to Baccalaureate Track (for Registered Nurses); 4-Year Track
- **Department Website:** [http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/nursing](http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/nursing)

**EMployment Areas and Projected Demand:**
The "Occupational Outlook Handbook" (OOH) reports that registered nurses held about 2,751,000 jobs in 2014. Hospitals employed 61%; and nursing and residential care facilities, offices of physicians, and home healthcare services employed 20%. The remainder worked mostly in government agencies.

OOH reports that the nationwide demand for registered nurses is expected to grow much faster than average through 2024 due to the increasing population and growth of the older age groups, with people established in their career generally earning between $45,880 and $98,880 per year. The median wage was $66,640 in 2014.

**Placement Information for Nursing Graduates:**
There are many career opportunities for Bemidji State University Nursing graduates. Of the Bemidji State University 2013-2014 Nursing graduates, 88.2% reported obtaining related employment within one year of graduation. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, furthering their education, unavailable, or had unknown status.

**Partial List of Employers Who Have Reported Hiring BSU Nursing Graduates***:

- Allina Health
- Altru Health System
- Bigfork Valley Hospital (X2)
- Centura Health
- doTERRA International
- Douglas County HHS
- Encore Unlimited, LLC
- Essentia Health (X3)
- Mayo Clinic
- Sanford Health (X10)
- Sanford Health (X4)
- St. Cloud Hospital (X2)
- St. Cloud Veterans Affairs Hospital (X2)

**Colleges and Universities Where BSU Nursing Graduates Have Gone to Continue Their Education:**

- Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN
- Walden University, Minneapolis, MN

*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market.

**Bibliography:**
- Annual Graduate Follow-Up Study 2012–2014, Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN (2016)
- Bemidji State University Undergraduate Catalog 2015–2016, Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN (2015)

For more information, please contact the Career Services Office in Decker Hall or call us at 218-755-2038 or toll free at 800-657-3726. For more job listings please visit:

[http://www.bemidjistate.edu/students/services/career/job_search/jobs/](http://www.bemidjistate.edu/students/services/career/job_search/jobs/)
85.7% of 1,042 total graduates who responded.

- 87.01% are employed.
- 91.5% are employed in a related field.
- 84.2% are employed in a related field.
- 10.5% are continuing their education.

Top Employers:
- Sanford Health
- Bemidji School District
- Bemidji State University
- Natrona School District
- Park Rapids School District
- Essentia Health
- Target
- CliftonLarsonAllen
- Blattner Energy
- Bagley School District
- Osseo School District
- NW MN Juvenile Center
- Alexandria School District
- Bemidji Axemen
- Knife River Materials

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