

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABS_N)

If an educational program offered by Mercy College is designed to meet or is advertised as meeting the educational requirements for a specific professional license or certification which is required for employment in the related profession, then Mercy must inform prospective and enrolled student of the following:

1. Each state in which the curriculum of the educational program meets the educational requirements for licensure or certification
2. Each state in which the curriculum of the educational program does not meet the educational requirements for licensure or certification
3. Each state in which the institution has not made a determination on whether the curriculum of the educational program meets the educational requirements for licensure or certification

The Mercy ABS_N program is designed to meet the Iowa Nurse Practice Act and is approved by the Iowa Board of Nursing (**IBON**), which is the nursing regulatory body (**NRB**) for Iowa. As an approved program, Mercy ABS_N graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (**NCLEX**).

The NCLEX is administered by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (**NCSBN**). NCLEX registration is a two-step process: 1) register with a state NRB. 2) register with Pearson VUE to take the exam. NCSBN recommends registering with the NRB where you plan to live. The table below will inform you of whether the Mercy College nursing curriculum meets the curriculum requirements enforced by the NRB of other states.

If you register with IBON, upon successful completion of the NCLEX and satisfactory background check, IBON will issue you a license to practice in Iowa, and you may use the title registered nurse or RN. Iowa is a member of the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (**eNLC**) administered by the Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators. The eNLC, allows RN's to have one multistate license, with the authority to practice in other eNLC member states. As of 02/21/23, 39 states are eNLC members. <https://www.ncsbn.org/compacts.page>

In addition to the general disclosure identified above, if while taking courses at Mercy College a prospective student or enrolled student will be located in a state where the educational program does not meet or where the College has not made a determination on whether the curriculum meets the educational requirements, then Mercy College must provide the prospective student or enrolled student with personal, written notice.

<u>State</u>	<u>Meets</u>	<u>Does Not Meet</u>	<u>Unable to Determine</u>	<u>State License Contact</u>
Alabama			X	See Note 1
Alaska			X	See Note 1
Arizona			X	See Note 1
Arkansas			X	See Note 1
California			X	See Note 1
Colorado			X	See Note 1
Connecticut			X	See Note 1
Delaware			X	See Note 1
District of Columbia			X	See Note 1
Florida			X	See Note 1
Georgia			X	See Note 1
Hawaii			X	See Note 1
Idaho			X	See Note 1
Illinois			X	See Note 1
Indiana			X	See Note 1
Iowa	Yes			See Note 1
Kansas			X	See Note 1
Kentucky			X	See Note 1
Louisiana			X	See Note 1
Maine			X	See Note 1
Maryland			X	See Note 1
Massachusetts		X		See Note 1
Michigan			X	See Note 1
Minnesota			X	See Note 1
Mississippi			X	See Note 1
Missouri			X	See Note 1
Montana			X	See Note 1
Nebraska			X	See Note 1
Nevada			X	See Note 1
New Hampshire			X	See Note 1
New Jersey			X	See Note 1
New Mexico			X	See Note 1
New York			X	See Note 1
North Carolina			X	See Note 1
North Dakota			X	See Note 1
Ohio			X	See Note 1
Oklahoma			X	See Note 1
Oregon			X	See Note 1
Pennsylvania			X	See Note 1
Puerto Rico			X	See Note 1
Rhode Island			X	See Note 1
South Carolina			X	See Note 1
South Dakota			X	See Note 1
Tennessee			X	See Note 1
Texas			X	See Note 1
U.S. Virgin Islands			X	See Note 1
Utah			X	See Note 1

Vermont			X	See Note 1
Virginia			X	See Note 1
Washington			X	See Note 1
West Virginia			X	See Note 1
Wisconsin			X	See Note 1
Wyoming			X	See Note 1

NOTES:

1. The National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) is a private nonprofit organization [501(c)(3)] that helps expand students' access to educational opportunities and ensure more efficient, consistent, and effective regulation of distance education programs. NC-SARA has created a Professional Licensure Directory for nursing which is available here: <https://nc-sara.org/professional-licensure-directory>