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The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing, as an administrative agency of state government, protects the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Commonwealth through the regulation of nursing practice and education. General Law Chapter 112, section 81A, authorizes the Board to establish regulations (i.e. standards) for the approval of nursing education programs that prepare graduates for initial nurse licensure. The Board also monitors each approved program's compliance with the established standards to ensure that program graduates are prepared to practice nursing safely. The Board's regulations for the approval of nursing education programs can be found at 244 CMR 6.00: Approval of Nursing Education Programs and the General Conduct Thereof.

Approval of a nursing education program is a public action, which signifies regulatory compliance. It is the legal recognition by the Board that a nursing education program is approved to operate. Nursing education programs receive one of the following approval designations based on their ability to demonstrate compliance with 244 CMR 6.00.

- Prerequisite Approval: a parent institution has provided satisfactory evidence of its *potential* ability to establish a nursing education program complying with the Board's regulations at 244 CMR 6.00.
- Initial Approval: a parent institution has provided satisfactory evidence of its ability to achieve compliance with the Board's regulations at 244 CMR 6.00. It is the prerequisite for the admission of students and remains in effect through the Board's determination of the program's ability to achieve Full approval status.
- Full Approval: a parent institution has provided satisfactory evidence of the program's continuous compliance with the Board's regulations at 244 CMR 6.00.
- Approval with Warning: issued to a parent institution to signify that the program has not satisfactorily demonstrated ongoing compliance with the Board's regulations at 244 CMR 6.00. Programs must correct the regulatory deficiencies identified by the Board within 12 months, unless otherwise directed. Graduates of programs designated the Approval with Warning status are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination.
- Withdrawal of Approval: a program is notified in writing of its failure to comply with 244 CRM 6.00, having been provided an opportunity to correct deficiencies and an onsite visit was conducted. Enrolled student and program applicants are notified that they shall not be eligible as graduates of the program to write the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX ©).

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The following list identifies the approval status of Board approved nursing educations programs as of May 2, 2024

- Prerequisite Approval Status
 - Bay Path University Associate Degree Nursing Program
 - Bay Path University Direct Entry Master's Degree Nursing Program
 - Middlesex Community College Practical Nursing Program, effective July 12, 2023
 - Simmons University Master's Entry Into Professional Nursing Program
- Initial Approval Status:
 - Curry College, Accelerated Entry-MS, Effective October 13,2021
 - Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective March 28, 2023
 - Merrimack College School of Health Sciences, Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective December 19, 2018
 - Roxbury Community College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective October 14, 2020
 - Wheaton College Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective April 13, 2022
- Approval with Warning Status: None.
- Full Approval Status: All other programs



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• Withdrawal of Approval: since 2010

- Atlantic Union College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective July 31, 2011
- Medical Professional Institute, Practical Nursing Program, effective August 18, 2016
- Quincy College, Practical Nursing Program, Quincy, MA, effective May 9, 2018
- Quincy College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, Quincy, MA, effective May 9, 2018
- Roxbury Community College, Practical Nurse Program, effective June 12, 2019
- Roxbury Community College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective June 12, 2019

• Closed Program:

- Bay State College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective August 31, 2023
- Becker College, Baccalaureate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective June 30, 2021
- Becker College, Associate Degree Registered Nurse Program, effective June 30, 2021
- Bunker Hill, Practical Nursing Program, effective July 31, 2017
- Medical Professional Institute, Practical Nursing Program, effective August 18, 2016



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Practical Nursing Programs – Full Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Assabet Valley Regional Technical School	215 Fitchburg Street, Marlboro, MA 01752	508-485-9430
2	Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical School	57 Old Muggett Hill Road, Charlton, MA 01507	508-248-5971
3	Berkshire Community College	1350 West Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201	413-499-4660
4	Blackstone Valley Regional Voc Tech School	65 Pleasant Street, Upton, MA 01568	508-529-7758
5	Blue Hills Regional Technical School	800 Randolph Street, Canton, MA 02021	781-828-5800
6	Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School	940 County Street, Taunton, MA 02780	508-823-5151
7	Diman Regional School of Practical Nursing	251 Stonehaven Road, Fall River, MA 02723	508-678-2891
8	Greater Lowell School of Practical Nursing	250 Pawtucket Boulevard. Tyngsboro, MA 01879	978-454-4870
9	Greenfield Community College	80 Locust St. Northampton, MA 01060	413-775-1759
10	Holyoke Community College	303 Homestead Avenue Holyoke, MA 01040	413-552-2458
11	Massachusetts Bay Community College	19 Flagg Drive, Framingham, MA 01702	508-270-4020
12	McCann Technical School	70 Hodges Cross Road, North Adams, MA 01247	413-663-5383
13	Mildred Elley School	100 West Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201	413-442-0333
14	Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School	1050 Westminster Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420	978-345-9200
15	Mount Wachusett Community College	444 Green Street, Gardner, MA 01440	978-632-6600
16	North Shore Community College	1 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923	978-762-4000
17	Northern Essex Community College	414 Common Street, Lawrence, MA 01840	978-738-7447
18	Quincy College – Quincy	1250 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169	617-405-5931
19	Quincy College – Plymouth	36 Cordage Park Circle, Plymouth, MA 02360	508-747-0400
20	Quinsigamond Community College	670 West Boylston Street, Worcester, MA 01606	508-854-4262
21	Shawsheen Valley School of Practical Nursing	100 Cook Street, Billerica, MA 01821	978-671-3646
22	Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical School	250 Foundry Street, South Easton, MA 02375	508-238-1860
23	Tri-County Regional Technical High School	147 Pond Street, Franklin, MA 02038	508-528-5400
24	Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical School	220 Sandwich Road, Bourne, MA 02532	508-759-7711

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Practical Nursing Programs – Prerequisite Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Middlesex Community College	33 Kearney Square Lowell, MA 01852	978-656-3280

Associate Degree Nursing Programs – Full Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Berkshire Community College	1350 West Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201	413-499-4660
2	Bristol Community College	777 Elsbree Street, Fall River, MA 02720	508-678-2811
3	Bunker Hill Community College	250 New Rutherford Ave, Charlestown, MA 02129	617-228-2000
4	Cape Cod Community College	2240 Lyannough Road, West Barnstable, MA 02668	508-362-2131
5	Greenfield Community College	One College Drive, Greenfield, MA 01301	413-775-1759
6	Holyoke Community College	303 Homestead Avenue, Holyoke, MA 01040	413-552-2458
7	Labouré College of Healthcare	303 Adams Street, Milton, MA 02186	617-322-3500
8	Lawrence Memorial/Regis College Nursing Program	170 Governors Avenue, Medford, MA 02155	781-306-6600
9	Massachusetts Bay Community College	19 Flagg Drive, Framingham, MA 01782	508-270-4020
10	Massasoit Community College	1 Massasoit Boulevard, Brockton, MA 02302	508-588-9100
11	Middlesex Community College	33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA 01852	978-656-3046
12	Mount Wachusett Community College	444 Green Street, Gardner, MA 01440	978-632-6600
13	North Shore Community College	1 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923	978-762-4022
14	Northern Essex Community College	414 Common Street, Lawrence, MA 01840	978-738-7447
15	Quincy College - Quincy	1250 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA 02169	617-405-5931
16	Quincy College - Plymouth	36 Cordage Park Circle, Plymouth, MA 02360	508-747-0400
17	Quinsigamond Community College	670 W. Boylston Street, Worcester, MA 01606	508-854-4262
18	Springfield Technical Community College	1 Armory Square, Springfield, MA 01105	413-755-4367

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	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Roxbury Community College	1234 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02141	617-427-0060



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	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Bay Path University	588 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106	800-782-7284

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Baccalaureate Degree Nursing Programs – Full Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	American International College	1000 State Street, Springfield, MA 01109	413-205-3519
2	Anna Maria College	50 Sunset Lane, Paxton, MA 01612	508-849-3300
3	Assumption University	500 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609	508-767-7000
4	Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing	140 Commonwealth Ave., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467	617-552-4250
5	College of Our Lady of the Elms	291 Springfield Street, Chicopee, MA 01013	413-594-2761
6	Curry College	1071 Blue Hill Avenue, Milton, MA 02186	617-333-2280
7	Emmanuel College	400 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115	617-264-7606
9	Endicott College	376 Hale Street, Beverly, MA 01915	978-232-2328
9	Fitchburg State University	160 Pearl Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420	978-665-3221
10	MCPHS-Boston	179 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115	617-732-2800
11	MCPHS-Worcester	19 Foster Street, Worcester, MA 01608	508-373-5680
12	MGH Institute of Health Professions	36 1st Ave. Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston, MA 02129	617-724-0480
13	Northeastern University	360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115	617-373-3649
14	Regis College	235 Wellesley Street, Weston, MA 02493	781-768-7090
15	Salem State University	352 Lafayette Street, Salem, MA 01970	978-542-6649
16	Simmons University	300 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115	617-521-2531



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17	University of Mass Amherst Elaine Marieb College of	651 North Pleasant Street, Amherst, MA 01003	413-545-2703
	Nursing		
18	University of Mass Boston Robert and Donna	100 Morrissey Blvd, Boston, MA 02125	617-287-7500
	Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences		
19	University of Mass/Dartmouth	285 Old Westport Road, N. Dartmouth, MA 02747	508-999-8586
20	University of Mass/Lowell	3 Solomont Way, Lowell, MA 01854	978-934-4467
21	Westfield State University	577 Western Avenue, Westfield, MA 01086	413-572-5300
22	Worcester State University	486 Chandler Street, Worcester, MA 01602	508-929-8129

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	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Emmanuel College Maureen Murphy Wilkens School of Nursing and Clinical Sciences	400 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115	617-735-9715
2	Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	375 Church St., North Adams MA 01247	413-662-5201
3	Merrimack College School of Health Sciences	315 Turnpike Street, North Andover, MA 01845	978-837-5000
4	Wheaton College	26 East Main Street, Norton, MA 02766	508) 286-8200



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Registered Nurse Entry Level Graduate Programs – Full Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing	140 Commonwealth Ave., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467	617-552-2230
2	MGH Institute of Health Professions	36 1st Ave. Charlestown Navy Yard, Boston, MA 02129	617-724-0480
3	Northeastern University	360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115	617-373-3649
4	Regis College	235 Wellesley Street, Weston, MA 02493	781-768-7090
5	University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School Tan Chingfen Graduate SON	55 Lake Avenue, Worcester, MA 01655	508-856-5801

Registered Nurse Entry Level Graduate Programs – Initial Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Curry College	1071 Blue Hill Avenue, Milton, MA 02186	

Registered Nurse Entry Level Graduate Programs – Prerequisite Approval Status

	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Bay Path University Direct Entry Master's Degree Nursing Program	588 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106	800-782-7284
2	Simmons University Master's Entry into Professional Nursing Practice Program	300 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115	617-521-2531



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	Program Name	Address	Phone
1	Brockton Hospital	53 Adams Street, Brockton, MA 02302	508-941-7040



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