

Nursing

Department Information

- **Department Web Site:**
www.ndsu.edu/nursing/ (<http://www.ndsu.edu/nursing/>)
- **Credential Offered:**
B.S.N.
- **Sample Program Guide:**
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Degree Requirements

Major: Nursing - Pre-Licensure Track

Degree Type: B.S.N.

Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate: 120

University Degree Requirements

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ENGL 120	College Composition II	
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
Upper Division Writing [†]		
Category R: Quantitative Reasoning [†]		3
Category S: Science and Technology [†]		10
Category A: Humanities and Fine Arts [†]		6
Category B: Social and Behavioral Sciences [†]		6
Category W: Wellness [†]		2
Category D: Cultural Diversity ^{*†}		
Category G: Global Perspectives ^{*†}		
Total Credits		39

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Courses for category D & G are satisfied by completing D & G designated courses in another general education category.

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Major Requirements

All students must complete all major requirements with a grade of C or better including ENGL 120 and COMM 110.

Code	Title	Credits
Nursing Major Requirements		
NURS 150	Academic Success and Career Exploration ¹	1
CHEM 117 & 117L	Chemical Concepts and Applications and Chem Concepts and Applications Lab ²	4
BIOC 260	Elements of Biochemistry	4
MICR 202 & 202L	Introductory Microbiology and Introductory Microbiology Lab ²	3
BIOL 220 & 220L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory ²	4
BIOL 221 & 221L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory ²	4
HNES 250	Nutrition Science	3
ENGL 325	Writing in the Health Professions	3
NURS 300	Pharmacology & Pathophysiology for Nursing	4
NURS 301	Introduction to Nursing and Evidence Based Practice	3
NURS 306	Health Promotion	3
NURS 321	Foundations of Nursing I	3
NURS 341	Foundations of Clinical Nursing	3
NURS 342	Adult Health Nursing I	5
NURS 352	Family Nursing I	4
NURS 360	Health Assessment	4
NURS 362	Family Nursing II	4
NURS 382	Clinical Applications in Nursing	4
NURS 402	Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS 403	Adult Health Nursing II	5
NURS 404	Adult Health III	4
NURS 406	Community & Public Health Nursing	4
NURS 410	Research and Redesign	2
NURS 450	Nursing Synthesis/Practicum	4
NURS 460	Management, Leadership and Career Development	3
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology ²	3
PSYC 250 or HDFS 230	Developmental Psychology Life Span Development	3
SOC 110 or ANTH 111	Introduction to Sociology ² Introduction to Anthropology	3
Total Credits		98

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NURS 150 is required for students with fewer than 24 earned transfer credits.

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Will be used in the selective GPA calculation for admission to the Nursing program. Grades for three of the five sciences (lecture/lab) will be used for selective GPA.

Degree Requirements and Notes

- Students must maintain a semester GPA of 2.0 or above for each semester in the College of Health and Human Sciences. A student who fails to meet this standard for two successive or three non-successive semesters may be terminated from enrollment in the College.
- Would also accept the following course sequence in place of CHEM 117 Chemical Concepts and Applications/CHEM 117L Chem Concepts and Applications Lab: CHEM 121 General Chemistry I/CHEM 121L General Chemistry I Laboratory, CHEM 122 General Chemistry II/CHEM 122L General Chemistry II Laboratory or CHEM 121 General Chemistry I/CHEM 121L General Chemistry I Laboratory and CHEM 140 Organic Chemical Concepts and Applications.

Major Requirements

Major: Nursing - LPN to BSN Track

Degree Type: B.S.N.

Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate: 120

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Major Requirements

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Code	Title	Credits
Nursing Major Requirements		
BIOC 260	Elements of Biochemistry	4
BIOL 220 & 220L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory *	4
BIOL 221 & 221L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory *	4
CHEM 117 & 117L	Chemical Concepts and Applications and Chem Concepts and Applications Lab	4

HNES 250	Nutrition Science *	3
MICR 202 & 202L	Introductory Microbiology and Introductory Microbiology Lab *	3
NURS 321	Foundations of Nursing I	3
NURS 322	Gerontologic Nursing	2
NURS 300	Pharmacology & Pathophysiology for Nursing	4
NURS 305	Transitioning Professional Identity	3
NURS 307	Concepts of Adult Health Nursing	3
NURS 341	Foundations of Clinical Nursing	3
NURS 342	Adult Health Nursing I	5
NURS 352	Family Nursing I (validation)	4
NURS 360	Health Assessment	4
NURS 362	Family Nursing II (validation)	4
NURS 372	Expanded Family Nursing I	2
NURS 374	Expanded Family Nursing II	2
NURS 402	Mental Health Nursing (validation)	4
NURS 403	Adult Health Nursing II (validation)	5
NURS 405	Psychosocial Nursing	2
NURS 406	Community & Public Health Nursing	4
NURS 407	Adult Health: Complex Problems	3
NURS 407L	Expanded Clinical Practice for the LPN-BSN	3
NURS 420	Evidence-Based Practice and Research in Nursing	3
NURS 463	Leadership and Interprofessional Health Care	4
NURS 450	Nursing Synthesis/Practicum	4
PSYC 111	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSYC 250	Developmental Psychology *	3
SOC 110	Introduction to Sociology *	3
or ANTH 111	Introduction to Anthropology	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 320	Business and Professional Writing	
ENGL 321	Writing in the Technical Professions	
ENGL 322	Writing and the Creative Process	
ENGL 324	Writing in the Sciences	
ENGL 325	Writing in the Health Professions	
ENGL 358	Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences	
ENGL 459	Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal	

Total Credits**105**

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Will be used in the selective GPA calculation for admission to the Nursing major program.

Degree Requirements and Notes

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- Would also accept the following course sequence in place of CHEM 117 Chemical Concepts and Applications/CHEM 117L Chem Concepts and Applications Lab: CHEM 121 General Chemistry I/CHEM 121L General Chemistry I Laboratory, CHEM 122 General Chemistry II/CHEM 122L General Chemistry II Laboratory or CHEM 121 General Chemistry I/CHEM 121L General Chemistry I Laboratory and CHEM 140 Organic Chemical Concepts and Applications.

Major Requirements

Major: Nursing - RN to BSN Track

Degree Type: B.S.N.

Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate: 120

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Demonstrated Competency Credit (see notes below)		
Nursing Major Requirements		
NURS 326	Immersion I	1
NURS 346	NDSU RN to BSN Immersion II	1
NURS 356	The Essence of Nursing	3
NURS 366	Quality and Safety in Nursing	3
NURS 386	Chronicity Throughout the Lifespan I	3
NURS 420	Evidence-Based Practice and Research in Nursing	3
NURS 426	NDSU RN to BSN Immersion III	1
NURS 446	Population Focused Nursing Care	3
NURS 446L	Population Focused Nursing Care - Clinical	1
NURS 456	RN to BSN Immersion IV	1
NURS 462	Nurses as Leaders	3
NURS 462L	Nursing Leadership Practicum	1

NURS 478	BSN Capstone	3
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 320	Business and Professional Writing	
ENGL 321	Writing in the Technical Professions	
ENGL 322	Writing and the Creative Process	
ENGL 324	Writing in the Sciences	
ENGL 325	Writing in the Health Professions	
ENGL 358	Writing in the Humanities and Social Sciences	
ENGL 459	Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal	
Total Credits		30

Requirements and Degree Notes:

- Students must maintain a semester GPA of 2.0 or above for each semester in the College of Health Professions (CoHP). A student who fails to meet this standard for two successive or three non-successive semesters may be terminated from enrollment in the CoHP.
- 30 credits must be earned in residence at NDSU.
- 18 demonstrated competency credits will be awarded upon completion of the first semester to students who have earned an Associates of Applied Science Degree.
- 25 demonstrated competency credits will be awarded upon completion of the first semester to students who have earned an Associates of Science Degree.

Major Requirements

Major: Nursing - Post Baccalaureate Track

Degree Type: B.S.N.

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Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Students in the post-baccalaureate track have already completed a bachelor's degree.		
NURS 300	Pharmacology & Pathophysiology for Nursing	4
NURS 303	Introduction to the Nursing Profession	3
NURS 342	Adult Health Nursing I	5
NURS 352	Family Nursing I	4
NURS 362	Family Nursing II	4
NURS 463	Leadership and Interprofessional Health Care	4
NURS 323	Skills and Concepts of Clinical Nursing	4
NURS 360	Health Assessment	4
NURS 402	Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS 406	Community & Public Health Nursing	4
NURS 420	Evidence-Based Practice and Research in Nursing	3
NURS 430	Comprehensive Adult Health	6
NURS 450	Nursing Synthesis/Practicum	4
Total Credits		53