



COLLEGE OF NURSING

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The College of Nursing offers curricula leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing degrees. Both degree programs are fully accredited by the National League for Nursing.

The four-year Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is designed to develop the knowledge, understanding and skill essential for the practice of professional nursing and to provide the basis for graduate education. The first two years of the program include foundation courses in the natural, social, and behavioral sciences, liberal arts, and three introductory nursing courses. The third and fourth years of study include clinical and nonclinical nursing courses as well as elective courses. The College of Nursing uses many health care agencies in the Wilmington-Newark and nearby areas for clinical teaching.

Nursing students are encouraged to participate in the College chapter of the National Student Nurses' Association. Students who have earned recognition for superior academic achievement may be invited for membership in Beta Xi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society of Nursing. Qualified students are encouraged to pursue the program requirements for a degree with distinction.

DEGREE: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING MAJOR: NURSING

CURRICULUM

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

ENGL 110 Critical Reading and Writing**	3 ¹
Three credits in an approved course or courses stressing multicultural, ethnic, and/or gender-related content.#	3 ¹⁻⁴

CREDITS*

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Natural Science

BISC 207	Introductory Biology I	4 ¹
BISC 208	Introductory Biology II	4 ¹
BISC 267	Human Physiology	4
BISC 371	Introduction to Microbiology	4 ²
CHEM 105	General Chemistry	5 ¹
CHEM 106	Elementary Bioorganic Chemistry	5 ¹
MATH 114	College Mathematics and Statistics	3 ¹

Humanities

ENGL 301	Expository Writing	3 ²
Literature course	200 level or above	3 ^{1,2}
Philosophy course		3 ^{1,2}
Restricted Humanities course chosen from among		3 ³
Art, Art History, Ancient Literature, Comparative Literature, Foreign Languages and Literatures, Modern Literature, History, Philosophy, Music, Theatre		

Social Sciences

PSYC 201	General Psychology	3 ¹
IFST 201	Life Span Development	3 ²
Sociology course	200 level or above	3 ²
Anthropology course	100 level or above	3 ^{1,2}
Restricted Social Science course chosen from among		3 ⁴
History, Political Science, Economics, Black American Studies, Women's Studies, Psychology, Sociology		

Other

NTDT 200	Nutrition Concepts	3 ²
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MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

NURS 205	Societal Context of Nursing	3 ²
NURS 212	Concepts in Pathophysiology	3 ²
NURS 215	Basic Nursing Practice Skills	1 ²
NURS 306	Determinants of Wellness	5 ³
NURS 315	Practicum I	4 ³
NURS 312	Pathophysiology	3 ³

*Superior figures indicate year or years in which the course is normally taken, i.e., ¹freshman year, ²sophomore year, etc.

**Minimum grade of C- required.

#This requirement may be fulfilled through a course or courses taken to complete other degree requirements; it cannot be fulfilled by a course taken pass/fail. See page 23

NURS 314	Psychopathology	2 ³
NURS 308	Restorative Nursing Practice I	4 ³
NURS 317	Practicum II	3 ³
NURS 318	Practicum III	3 ³
or		
NURS 319	Practicum IV	3 ³
NURS 332	Pharmacological Nursing Responsibility	3 ³
NURS 405	Introduction to Research	3 ⁴
NURS 408	Restorative Nursing Practice II	4 ⁴
NURS 417	Practicum V	3 ⁴
NURS 418	Practicum VI	3 ⁴
or		
NURS 419	Practicum VII	3 ⁴
NURS 409	Professionalism in Nursing Practice	2 ⁴
NURS 420	Practicum VIII	6 ⁴
NURS 411	Topics in Health Care Delivery	3 ⁴

ELECTIVES

Electives 6^{3,4}

CREDITS TO TOTAL A MINIMUM OF 126

Most nursing courses are offered once each academic year. Students must complete required lower division courses before enrolling in nursing courses. Nursing courses must be taken in sequence.

B.R.N.

Licensed registered nurses who are graduates of associate degree or diploma programs may apply for admission to this accelerated program. Graduates of National League for Nursing (NLN) accredited associate degree programs may directly transfer up to 30 credits in nursing as evidence of their basic nursing knowledge. Graduates of diploma schools of nursing and graduates of non-NLN accredited associate degree programs must complete validation examinations. Upon successful completion of these examinations, the student will be awarded 30 credits for basic nursing knowledge. Before enrollment in any nursing courses, students must meet the following criteria:

- Completion of 36 credits of non-nursing requirements which must include 24 credits in science and up to 6 credits of free electives.
- GPA of 2.5 or higher for non-nursing prerequisite courses
- Validation of basic nursing knowledge

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COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**Natural Science**

24 credits, to include a minimum of one course in each of the following five categories: (1) biology, (2) microbiology, (3) chemistry, (4) anatomy and physiology, and (5) nutrition 24

Humanities

English course (second English composition course)	3 ^{3,4}
Literature course	3 ^{3,4}
Philosophy course	3 ^{3,4}

Social Sciences

Psychology course	3 ^{1,2}
Sociology course	3 ^{1,2}
Lifespan development course	3 ^{1,2}

Other

STAT 201	Introduction to Statistics I	3 ^{3,4}
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Electives

Restricted elective chosen from the following 3^{3,4}

Art, Art History, History, Philosophy, Music, Theatre, Comparative Literature, Black American Studies, Economics, Political Science, Women's Studies, Foreign Languages and Literatures, Linguistics, and English.

Free Electives 15^{1,4}

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

NURS 312	Pathophysiology	4 ³
NURS 314	Psychopathology	3 ³
NURS 340	Current Perspectives in Professional Nursing	2 ³
NURS 342	Nursing Informatics	2 ³
NURS 343	Learning Lab I: Special Topics	1 ³
NURS 344	Wellness/Health Assessment	2 ³
NURS 411	Topics in Health Care Delivery	3 ^{3,4}
NURS 442	Community Health Nursing	3 ^{3,4}
NURS 441	Learning Lab II: Health Assessment	1 ⁴
NURS 445	Learning Lab III: Research Applications	1 ⁴
NURS 405	Introduction to Nursing Research	2 ⁴
NURS 443	B.R.N. Role Practicum	3 ⁴
NURS 446	Leadership/Organizational Behavior	2 ⁴

CREDITS TO TOTAL A MINIMUM OF 125**POLICIES**

In order to meet degree requirements, nursing majors must have a minimum of 2.0 in each nursing course to progress in the nursing sequence. A student who earns a grade lower than 2.0 must repeat the course before enrolling in a more advanced nursing course. Students are not permitted to repeat any clinical nursing course more than once. Further, students who earn a grade lower than C in more than one clinical nursing course will not be permitted to continue in the program. Program policies are currently under review, and the student must meet regularly with his/her faculty adviser to ensure that all requirements are being met.

A minimum cumulative grade-point index of 2.0 is required to enroll in all nursing courses.

Students are expected to provide their own transportation to all required clinical laboratories.

LICENSURE

Graduates are eligible for registered nurse licensure in Delaware or other states upon satisfactory completion of the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (N-CLEX-RN). If the examination is passed and licensure granted in one state, application may be made to other states for licensure by endorsement.

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