

Academic Plan: Bachelor of Science – Nursing

Catalog Year: 2021/2022

Total Credits: 120 Credits

The RN-BSN Program is designed for Registered Nurses who wish to earn the baccalaureate nursing degree or for current nursing students (dual enrollment) who are enrolled in a Colorado Nursing AAS program who wish to earn the baccalaureate nursing degree. The focus of the program is to add value to nursing education through the interpretation of research, broaden perspectives of population and community care, enhance leadership and care coordination skills and promote life-long learning within the nursing profession.

Required Courses

General Education Courses

- Arts / Humanities GT-AH1-AH3 (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- Arts / Humanities GT-AH1-AH3 (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- ENG 122 - English Composition II: GT-CO2 (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- History GT-HI1 (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- MAT 135 - Introduction to Statistics: GT-MA1* (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- Social / Behavioral Science GT-SS3 (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer

Major Courses

- NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- NUR 302 - Trends in Nursing Practice (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- NUR 408 - Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Professional Nursing Practice (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- NUR 409 - Leadership in the Nursing Profession (3.5 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum (6 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- NUR 411 - Senior Seminar (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.) Available Fall, Spring, Summer
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Pre-requisite

- Associate Degree 71.5 Credits

Pre-Requisites, Co-Requisites, and Recommendations (grade C or better required)

Where requirements are listed as course categories (e.g. Electives, Arts/Humanities) rather than as specific courses, please note that depending upon course choice, pre-requisites may be required.

- ENG 122 - English Composition II: GT-CO2 (3 Cr.)
 - Pre-Requisite: ENG 121 - English Composition I OR ENG 131 - Technical Writing I
- MAT 135 - Introduction to Statistics: GT-MA1* (3 Cr.)
 - Pre-Requisite: MAT 050 - Quantitative Literacy (4 Cr.)/MAT 055 - Algebraic Literacy (4 Cr.)
- NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice
 - Requirement: Department approval and/or NUR 302 Trends in Nursing Practice
- NUR 302 - Trends in Nursing Practice
 - Pre-Requisite: NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice and/or Department

- NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice
 - Pre-Requisite: ENG 121 - English Composition I: GT-CO1*
 - Pre-Requisite: MAT 135 - Introduction to Statistics: GT-MA1*
 - Pre-Requisite: NUR 302 - Trends in Nursing Practice or NUR 301 Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice
- NUR 408 - Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Professional Nursing Practice
 - Requirement: Department approval
- NUR 409 - Leadership in the Nursing Profession
 - Pre-Requisite: NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice
 - Requirement: Department approval - Must be licensed to practice in one of the 50 states prior to clinical practicum
- NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum
 - Pre-Requisite: NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice
 - Requirement: Departmental approval - must be licensed to practice in one of the 50 states prior to clinical practicum
- NUR 411 - Senior Seminar
 - Co-Requisite: NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum
 - Pre-Requisite or Co-Requisite: NUR 409 - Leadership in the Nursing Profession OR NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum
- Upper Division Nursing Elective
 - Pre-Requisite: NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice or NUR 302 Trends in Nursing Practice
 - Pre-Requisite: NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice or NUR 302 Trends in Nursing Practice

Program Outcomes

- Quality Care: Interpret research to employ best practice. Use data to monitor the outcomes of care processes. Propose an evaluation process to continuously improve the quality and safety of health care systems and deliver quality care to individuals, and diverse populations.
- Professionalism: Formulate a plan that demonstrates an enhanced commitment to professionalism embracing excellence, caring, legal and ethical practice, civility, accountability, and professional development.
- Communication: Evaluate communication and collaboration with colleagues, interprofessional groups and members of the community to promote health, safety and well-being across the lifespan and across the continuum of healthcare environment.
- Leadership: Evaluate the contribution of leadership, quality improvement principles, and impact of organizational systems in transforming, managing, and coordinating safe, quality, cost effective, person-centered care.
- Critical Thinking/Clinical Reasoning: Integrate a systematic process of critical inquiry with nursing science, natural and behavioral sciences, arts and humanities to make evidence-based practice decisions to improve the care of individuals, families, populations, and communities.

Notes

- Background check and drug screen must be successfully passed prior to enrolling into NUR 409 and NUR 410 clinical practicum courses.
- Courses are subject to cancelation depending on enrollment numbers.
- If Associate Degree is less than 71.5 credits, balance of credits may be satisfied with elective credits or credits for prior learning.
- Out of state students will require authorization by the State Board of Nursing in their state of residence in order for ACC to provide instruction. In addition, depending on the state, limitations may exist with ACC providing an education experience to them.
- Students must be accepted into the program prior to enrollment and will need to enroll into NUR 301 or NUR 302 initially as part of the major nursing coursework.
- Students must complete a minimum of 25% of the 120 credits required for the degree at Arapahoe Community College in order to earn this degree from ACC.

EXAMPLE OF COURSE SEQUENCE FULL-TIME TRACK (Includes General Education Requirements)

Semester 1

- ENG 122 - English Composition II: GT-CO2 (3 Cr.)
- MAT 135 - Introduction to Statistics: GT-MA1 (3 Cr.)
- NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 302 - Trends in Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)

Semester 2

- Arts / Humanities GT-AH1-AH3 (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Arts / Humanities Course(s)~
 - HUM 115 - World Mythology: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 115 - Introduction to Literature I: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 205 - Ethnic Literature: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 111 - Introduction to Philosophy: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 112 - Ethics: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 114 - Comparative Religions: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 220 - Philosophy-Death & Dying: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- History GT-HI1 (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended History Course(s)~
 - HIS 101 - Western Civilization: Antiquity-1650: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 122 - United States History Since the Civil War: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 225 - Colorado History: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 236 - U.S. History since 1945: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 247 - 20th Century World History: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
- NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice (3 Cr.)
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Elective(s)~
 - NUR 304 - Informatics and Healthcare Technology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 305 - Emergency Preparedness (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 306 - Gerontology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 307 - Behavioral Health (3 Cr.)

Semester 3

- NUR 408 - Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Professional Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum (6 Cr.)
- Social / Behavioral Science GT-SS3 (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Social / Behavioral Science Course(s)~
 - ANT 101 - Cultural Anthropology: GT-SS3* (3 Cr.)
 - ECO 101 - Economics of Social Issues: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - GEO 106 - Human Geography: GT-SS2* (3 Cr.)
 - POS 105 - Introduction to Political Science: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - POS 111 - American Government: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - POS 225 - Comparative Government: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - SOC 102 - Introduction to Sociology II: GT-SS3* (3 Cr.)

Semester 4

- Arts / Humanities GT-AH1-AH3 (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Arts / Humanities Course(s)~
 - HUM 115 - World Mythology: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 115 - Introduction to Literature I: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)

- LIT 205 - Ethnic Literature: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
- PHI 111 - Introduction to Philosophy: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- PHI 112 - Ethics: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- PHI 114 - Comparative Religions: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- PHI 220 - Philosophy-Death & Dying: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- NUR 409 - Leadership in the Nursing Profession (3.5 Cr.)
- NUR 411 - Senior Seminar (3 Cr.)
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Elective(s)~
 - NUR 304 - Informatics and Healthcare Technology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 305 - Emergency Preparedness (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 306 - Gerontology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 307 - Behavioral Health (3 Cr.)

EXAMPLE OF COURSE SEQUENCE FULL-TIME TRACK (For students who have completed General Education Requirements)

Semester 1

- NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 302 - Trends in Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice (3 Cr.)
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Elective(s)~
 - NUR 304 - Informatics and Healthcare Technology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 305 - Emergency Preparedness (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 306 - Gerontology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 307 - Behavioral Health (3 Cr.)

Semester 2

- NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum (6 Cr.)
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Elective(s)~
 - NUR 304 - Informatics and Healthcare Technology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 305 - Emergency Preparedness (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 306 - Gerontology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 307 - Behavioral Health (3 Cr.)

Semester 3

- NUR 408 - Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Professional Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 409 - Leadership in the Nursing Profession (3.5 Cr.)
- NUR 411 - Senior Seminar (3 Cr.)

EXAMPLE OF COURSE SEQUENCE PART-TIME TRACK

Semester 1

- ENG 122 - English Composition II: GT-CO2 (3 Cr.)
- MAT 135 - Introduction to Statistics: GT-MA1 (3 Cr.)
- NUR 301 - Integration into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)

Semester 2

- NUR 302 - Trends in Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 303 - Research / Evidence Based Practice (3 Cr.)
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Elective(s)~
 - NUR 304 - Informatics and Healthcare Technology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 305 - Emergency Preparedness (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 306 - Gerontology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 307 - Behavioral Health (3 Cr.)

Semester 3

- NUR 408 - Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Professional Nursing Practice (3 Cr.)
- NUR 409 - Leadership in the Nursing Profession (3.5 Cr.)

Semester 4

- Arts / Humanities GT-AH1-AH3
 - ~Recommended Arts / Humanities Course(s)~
 - HUM 115 - World Mythology: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 115 - Introduction to Literature I: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 205 - Ethnic Literature: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 111 - Introduction to Philosophy: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 112 - Ethics: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 114 - Comparative Religions: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 220 - Philosophy-Death & Dying: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- NUR 410 - Community Health Nursing Practicum (6 Cr.)

Semester 5

- History GT-HI1
 - ~Recommended History Course(s)~
 - HIS 101 - Western Civilization: Antiquity-1650: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 122 - United States History Since the Civil War: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 225 - Colorado History: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 236 - U.S. History since 1945: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
 - HIS 247 - 20th Century World History: GT-HI1* (3 Cr.)
- Upper Division Nursing Elective (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Elective(s)~
 - NUR 304 - Informatics and Healthcare Technology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 305 - Emergency Preparedness (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 306 - Gerontology (3 Cr.)
 - NUR 307 - Behavioral Health (3 Cr.)

Semester 6

- Arts / Humanities GT-AH1-AH3 (3 Cr.)
 - ~Recommended Arts / Humanities Course(s)~
 - HUM 115 - World Mythology: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 115 - Introduction to Literature I: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - LIT 205 - Ethnic Literature: GT-AH2* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 111 - Introduction to Philosophy: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 112 - Ethics: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 114 - Comparative Religions: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
 - PHI 220 - Philosophy-Death & Dying: GT-AH3* (3 Cr.)
- NUR 411 - Senior Seminar (3 Cr.)
- Social / Behavioral Science GT-SS3 (3 Cr.)

- ~Recommended Social / Behavioral Science Course(s)~
 - ANT 101 - Cultural Anthropology: GT-SS3* (3 Cr.)
 - ECO 101 - Economics of Social Issues: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - GEO 106 - Human Geography: GT-SS2* (3 Cr.)
 - POS 105 - Introduction to Political Science: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - POS 111 - American Government: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - POS 225 - Comparative Government: GT-SS1* (3 Cr.)
 - SOC 102 - Introduction to Sociology II: GT-SS3* (3 Cr.)