

NURSING - BSN, SECOND DEGREE BSN TRACK

The second degree (post-baccalaureate) track is for students who already hold a bachelor's degree in another field of study. Acceptance into this track requires successful completion of prerequisite coursework prior to beginning upper division courses. All students will be required to complete core curriculum requirements if these were not met in the previous degree program. Contact the Office of Student Affairs for more information. This program is offered on Round Rock campus.

Upper Level Entry to the Second Degree Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Admission to the School of Nursing professional program is competitive.

Admission decisions are based on:

- The entirety of the student's academic background
- Minimum grade of C in each prerequisite course and a recommended minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)
- A completed NursingCAS application (submit only 1 per admission cycle)
- HESI A2 score – minimum score of 75% in each required section
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- Timed verbal and written assessments of the student's attributes and experiences, to include community service, leadership, work experience, and activities in health care
- Academic history of limited repeats, withdraws, or failures

Program Requirements

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours
BIOL 107 or BIOL 111	Zoology or Introductory Biology I	4
PBSI 107	Introduction to Psychology	3
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ¹		3
Communication (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication) ¹		3
Mathematics (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics) ^{1,2}		3
Semester Credit Hours		16
Spring		
PBSI 225	Lifespan Development ^{2,3}	3
Select one of the following: ²		4
CHEM 106 & CHEM 116	Molecular Science for Citizens and Molecular Science for Citizens Laboratory	

CHEM 107 & CHEM 117	General Chemistry for Engineering Students and General Chemistry for Engineering Students Laboratory	
CHEM 119	Fundamentals of Chemistry I	
CHEM 120	Fundamentals of Chemistry II	
American history (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history) ¹		3
Communication (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication) ¹		3
Mathematics (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics) ^{1,2}		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

Second Year

Fall

BIOL 319 or VIBS 305	Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology ^{2,3,4} or Biomedical Anatomy	4
NUTR 222	Nutrition for Health and Health Care ²	3
Creative arts (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts) ¹		3
Government/Political science (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3

Semester Credit Hours

13

Spring

BIOL 320 or VTPP 423	Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology II ^{2,3,4} or Biomedical Physiology I	4
PHIL 111 or PHIL 251	Contemporary Moral Issues or Introduction to Philosophy	3
Select one of the following: ²		4
BIOL 206	Introductory Microbiology	
BIOL 351	Fundamentals of Microbiology	
VTPB 405	Biomedical Microbiology	
Government/Political science (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3

Semester Credit Hours

14

Third Year

Fall

NURS 305	Nursing Dimensions and Informatics	3
NURS 306	Foundations of Nursing Practice Theory	5
NURS 307	Foundations of Nursing Practice Clinical	3
NURS 312	Introduction to Pathophysiology	3
NURS 316	Pharmacology Principles	3

Semester Credit Hours

17

Spring

NURS 315	Nursing and the Aged	3
NURS 320	Adult Nursing I	6
NURS 411	Evidence-Based Practice for Nurses	3

NURS 412	Care of Mental Health Clients	4
Semester Credit Hours		16
Summer		
NURS 420	Adult Nursing II	6
NURS 421	Care of Community Health Clients	5
NURS 424	Professional Issues	2
Semester Credit Hours		13
Fourth Year		
Fall		
NURS 323	Nursing Care of Women, Families and Newborns	4
NURS 413	Nursing Care of Children and Families	4
NURS 430	Transition to Professional Nursing Practice	5
NURS 434	Case Studies in Patient Safety and Quality	2
Semester Credit Hours		15
Total Semester Credit Hours		120

¹ Core Curriculum courses are listed on the University Core Curriculum (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/>) page. STAT 201 is recommended to fulfill 3 hours of Mathematics, but is not required.

² Indicates Nursing Science course.

³ These courses may be taken at a community college, but must be completed by the first day at the School of Nursing. Students may elect to place these courses anywhere in their schedule, though it is encouraged that these be completed over the summer.

⁴ Texas common courses BIOL 2401 and 2402 taken at any Texas accredited public institution will meet the requirement for BIOL 319 and BIOL 320.

BSN students must make a minimum grade of C in all courses.