

Nursing – Second Degree Option B.S.N. College of Nursing

The College of Nursing offers the Second Degree B.S.N. (Bachelor of Science in Nursing). This option is for people who have a bachelor's degree in a field other than nursing. It is not an accelerated B.S.N. option but a five-semester B.S.N. option.

Prerequisites for Second Degree B.S.N. Option

Students who have earned a degree in another field may apply to complete a B.S.N. The admission requirements/prerequisites include:

- a baccalaureate degree in another field;
- meet minimum GPA requirement for all college work;
- grade of C or higher in ANA 209 (Principles of Human Anatomy) or equivalent;
- grade of C or higher in PGY 206 (Elementary Physiology) or equivalent;
- grade of C or higher in CHE 103 (Chemistry for Health Professionals) or equivalent;
- grade of C or higher in PSY 100 (Introduction to Psychology) or equivalent;
- grade of C or higher in DHN 212 (Introductory Nutrition)*;
- grade of C or higher in BIO 208 (Principles of Microbiology)*;
- grade of C or higher in BIO 103 (Basic Ideas of Biology); and
- a written statement.

*DHN 212 and BIO 208 are prerequisites to NUR 221.

It is strongly recommended that students complete the following course with a grade of C or higher before beginning the Second Degree B.S.N. Program (it is required for graduation):

- STA 210 (Making Sense of Uncertainty: An Introduction to Statistical Reasoning) or equivalent (prerequisite to NUR 310 – take in Semester I or Semester II).

By the time of enrollment in the first course, students must have also completed a CNA course and all immunizations as listed in the *Nursing* section of the 2017-2018 *Undergraduate Bulletin* under "Admissions Requirements."

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (GCCR)

NUR 221 Introduction to Professional Nursing Care Across the Lifespan for Second Degree Students	8
NUR 310 Research for Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NUR 413 Synthesis of Clinical Knowledge for Nursing Practice	6

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement hours (GCCR) 17

Sample Curriculum Second Degree B.S.N. Program

Hours

Semester I

NUR 210 Pathopharmacology I	3
NUR 221 Introduction to Professional Nursing Care Across the Lifespan for Second Degree Students	8

Semester II

NUR 300 Pathopharmacology II	3
NUR 301 Family Centered Care of Adults With Common Health Problems	6
NUR 540 Health Care Systems From an Interprofessional Perspective	3

Semester III

NUR 310 Research for Evidence-Based Nursing Practice	3
NUR 311 Nursing Care of Childrearing Families	5
NUR 313 Nursing Care of Childbearing Families	5

Semester IV

NUR 400 Leadership/Management in Nursing Care Delivery	3
NUR 401 Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	5
NUR 403 Public Health Nursing	5

Semester V

NUR 410 Career Management in Nursing	2
NUR 411 High Acuity Nursing	5
NUR 413 Synthesis of Clinical Knowledge or Nursing Practice	6