

Traditional BSN Plan of Study

Arkansas State University								
College of Nursing and Health Professions								
Bachelor of Science in Nursing 2026-2027 Plan of Study								
Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. A minimum of 122 credit hours, of which 45 hours must be upper division credit (3000-4000 level), is required for this degree (developmental courses are excluded). Mandatory state and institutional assessment exams will be required during your degree program. Failure to participate in required assessments may delay graduation.								
Year 1								
Semester 1					Semester 2			
Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed		Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
ENGL 10103	Composition I	3	X		ENGL 10203	Composition II	3	X
MATH 1 1003	College Algebra	3	X		BIOL 24103	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3	
BIOL 24003	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3	X		BIOL 24101	Human Anatomy & Physiology II Lab	1	
BIOL 24001	Human Anatomy & Physiology I Lab	1	X		HIST 21103 or HIST 21203 or PLSC 20003	History/ Government US History to 1876 or US History since 1876 or US Government	3	X

NURS 11133	Making Connections Nursing (FYE)	3	X		ARHS 10003 or MUSC 10003 or THTR 10003	Fine Arts Fine Arts Visual or Fine Arts Music or Fine Arts Theatre	3	X
PSYC 11003	Intro to Psychology	3	X		SOCI 10103	Introduction to Sociology	3	X
TOTAL HOURS		16			TOTAL HOURS		16	
Year 2								
Semester 3					Semester 4			
Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed		Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
CHEM 12103	Fundamental Concepts of Chemistry I	3	X		BIOL 20003	Microbiology for Nursing and Health Professions	3	X
CHEM 12101	Fundamentals Concepts of Chemistry I Lab	1	X		BIOL 20001	Microbiology for Nursing and Health Professions Lab	1	X
NURS 22543	Concepts of Nursing	3			NURS 22002	Medical Surgical Nursing I	2	
NURS 22442	Foundations of Nursing	2			NURS 22003	Nursing Practicum I	3	
NURS 22431	Foundations of Nursing Practicum	1			NURS 33463	Patho-Based Pharmacology I	3	
NURS 22932	Health Assessment	2			NURS 22032	Professional Role Development	2	
NURS 22391	Health Assessment Practicum	1						

NURS 22342	Nursing Calculations and Terminology	2						
TOTAL HOURS		15			TOTAL HOURS		14	
YEAR 3								
Semester 5					Semester 6			
Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed		Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
	Statistics-any three hour course	3			NURS 33302	Intro to Nursing Research	2	
NURS 33143	Medical Surgical Nursing II	3			NURS 33205	Medical Surgical Nursing III	5	
NURS 37432	Essentials of Mental Health Nursing	2			NURS 33305	Nursing Practicum III	5	
NURS 33145	Nursing Practicum II	5			ENGL 21103 or ENGL 21203 or PHIL 11003	Humanities World Literature to 1660 or World Literature since 1660 or Intro to Philosophy	3	X
NURS 33473	Patho-Based Pharmacology II	3						
TOTAL HOURS		16			TOTAL HOURS		15	
Year 4								
Semester 7					Semester 8			
Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed		Course Number	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed

NURS 44343	Professional Nursing: Community	3			NURS 44005	Medical Surgical Nursing IV	5	
NURS 44542	Health Care Administration	2			NURS 44002	Essentials of Obstetric Nursing	2	
NURS 44102	Essentials of Pediatric Nursing	2			NURS 44006	Nursing Practicum IV	6	
NURS 44106	Nursing Practicum V	6			NURS 44481	Critical Decision Making and Testing Competencies in Nursing	1	
HIST 21103 or HIST 21203 or PLSC 20003	History/ Government US History to 1876 or US History since 1876 or US Government (select course not previously taken, but must have a History AND Government, NOT 2 History courses)	3	X					
TOTAL HOURS		16			TOTAL HOURS		14	

Total JR/SR Hours: 55

Total Degree Hours: 122

*Please see the current [Undergraduate Bulletin](#) for Graduation Requirements.

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