School of Nursing

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The mission of the School of Nursing is to educate, enhance and enrich students for evolving professional nursing practice. The School of Nursing values the following as fundamental:

Integrity (purposeful decision to consistently demonstrate truth and honesty);

Excellence (highest quality of nursing education, practice, service and research);

Diversity (respect for varied dimensions of individuality among populations);

Service (professional experiences in response to the needs of society);

Learning (acquisition of knowledge and skills in critical thinking, practical reasoning, and decision making) and Student Centered (development of essential skills for lifelong learning, leadership, professionalism, and social responsibility). The School of Nursing offers the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees at the undergraduate level. Completion of either program qualifies students to take the NCLEX-RN examination for licensure as a registered nurse.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN NURSING:

The purpose of the associate level is to prepare graduates who apply the nursing process in the provision of direct nursing care for clients with common, well-defined problems. Therefore, the associate curriculum is grounded in the liberal arts and includes professional values, core competencies, core knowledge and role development. The associate degree graduate is prepared to function as a member of the profession and a manager of care in acute and community based settings.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING:

The nurse prepared at the baccalaureate level is a professional who has acquired a well-delineated and broad knowledge base for practice. We believe that the role of a baccalaureate graduate is multifaceted and developed through extensive study in the areas of liberal education, professional values, core competencies, core knowledge and role development. This knowledge base prepares the beginning baccalaureate graduate to function as a provider of direct and indirect care to individuals, families, groups, communities and populations. The baccalaureate graduate is also a member of the profession and a designer, manager and coordinator of care.

2nd DEGREE ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING:

A BSN option designed for the graduate of baccalaureate program in another discipline. The option is accelerated and all nursing course work is completed in one year of full time study.

EDUCATIONAL MOBILITY:

The nursing faculty is committed to the concept of educational mobility, and has provided a variety of approaches to Licensed Practical Nurses, to Licensed Psychiatric Technician Nurses, and to Registered Nurses prepared at the associate degree and diploma levels. LPNs, LPTNs, and RNs must work closely with their advisors. LPNs and LPTNs must be admitted to the desired program prior to enrolling in any nursing courses (except NS 2203, NRS 3353, NRS 2392, and NRSP 2391). The BSN program has a specially designed RN track to facilitate RNs’ movement through the BSN. The track includes a reduction in nursing clinical hours, and clinical experiences designed to accommodate individual learning goals. Detailed information may be obtained from the nursing office (972-3074) relative to earning credit by articulation or examinations.

Prospective students who are LPNs, LPTNs, or RNs applying for admission to any nursing program must have a current unencumbered license to practice nursing.

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Major in Nursing

Associate of Applied Science in Nursing

LPN-AASN Online

A complete degree plan is available at http://registrar.astate.edu/.

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| University Requirements:  |  |
| See University General Requirements for Associate degrees (p. 40) |  |
| General Education Requirements: | Sem. Hrs. |
| See General Education Curriculum for Associate of Applied Science Degrees (p. 84) Students with this major must take the following:ENG 1003, Composition IMATH 1023, College Algebra or MATH course that requires MATH 1023 as a prerequisiteCIT 1503, Microcomputer Applications OR CS 1013, Introduction to Computer OR Any comparable three-hour computer courseBIO 2203 AND 2201, Human Anatomy/Physiology I and LaboratoryBIO 2223 AND 2221, Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Laboratory | 17 |
| Major Requirements (pre-requisite) | Sem. Hrs. |
| NRS 2392 Health Assessment  | 2 |
| NRSP 2391 Health Assessment Practicum | 1 |
| Major Requirements | Sem. Hrs. |
| NRS 1313, Nursing I Medical Surgical  | 3 |
| NRS 1312, Role Development I  | 2 |
| NRS 1323, Nursing II Medical Surgical  | 3 |
| NRS 1321 Role Development II  | 1 |
| NRS 2323, Nursing III Medical Surgical  | 3 |
| NRS 2321 Role Development III  | 1 |
| NRS 2312, Nursing IV Mental Health | 2 |
| NRS 2331 Role Development IV  | 1 |
| NRS 2332, Nursing V Maternal Child  | 2 |
| NRS 2341 Role Development V  | 1 |
| NRS 2333 Nursing VI Medical Surgical  | 3 |
| NRSP 1331, Clinical Practicum I  | 1 |
| NRSP 1341, Clinical Practicum II  | 1 |
| NRSP 2341, Clinical Practicum III  | 1 |
| NRSP 2351, Clinical Practicum IV  | 1 |
| NRSP 2361, Clinical Practicum V  | 1 |
| NRSP 2371 Clinical Practicum VI  | 1 |
| NRSP 2382 Capstone  | 2 |
| Required Support Courses: | Sem. Hrs. |
| ENG 1013 Composition II | 3 |
| BIO 2103 AND 2101, Microbiology for Nursing and Allied Health and Laboratory | 4 |
| HIST 2763, The United States To 1876 ORHIST 2773, The United States Since 1876 ORPOSC 2103, Introduction to United States Government | 3 |
| The following courses/hours are obtained through articulation:NRS 1214, Introduction to Nursing (4)NRSP 1222, Fundamentals of Nursing Practicum (2) | 6 |
| Total Required Hours:  | 66 |

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| Required Progression of Courses for L.P.N. - A.A.S.N. Online Students:Students must maintain a minimum grade of “C” in all degree-required courses for an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing degree to continue progression.ASU participates in the statewide articulation program for licensed practical nurses (LPNs) seeking theAASN degree. Applicants who completed their LPN/LPTN programs greater than 12 months prior to applying to the AASN program must provide proof of work experience. For specific information concerning the LPN to AASN program, contact the School of Nursing office at (870) 972-3074. |
| The following courses/hours are obtained through articulation:NRS 1214, Introduction to Nursing (4)NRSP 1222, Fundamentals of Nursing Practicum (2) |
| The following courses must be completed prior to first fall semester nursing courses or prior to taking NRS 1313 and NRSP 1331:BIO 2203 AND 2201, Human Anatomy/Physiology I and LaboratoryBIO 2223 AND 2221, Human Anatomy/Physiology II and LaboratoryCIT 1503, Microcomputer Applications OR CS 1013, Introduction to Computer OR Any comparable three-hour computer courseENG 1003, Composition IMATH 1023, College Algebra (or MATH course that requires MATH 1023 as a prerequisite)NRS 2392, Health AssessmentNRSP 2391, Health Assessment Practicum |
| The following courses must be completed prior to NRSP 2361:BIO 2103 AND 2101, Microbiology for Nursing and Allied Health and Laboratory |
| The following courses must be completed prior to NRSP 2341: graduation:ENG 1013, Composition II The following courses must be completed prior to NRSP 2371:HIST 2763, The United States To 1876 ORHIST 2773, The United States Since 1876 ORPOSC 2103, Introduction to United States Government |