
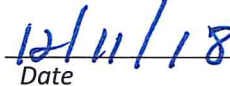
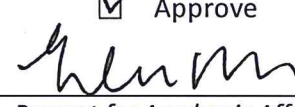
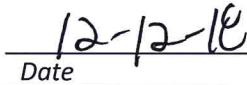
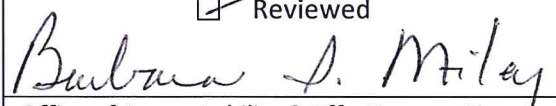
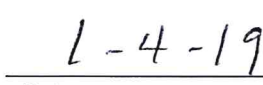


Curriculum Committee



Change of Program or Certificate Proposal

Note required information: Program or certificate changes require a change to the catalog page. All change of program or certificate proposals must include the new catalog page, with all proposed changes, at the end of this document. All changes that affect the courses, words, numbers, symbols, program description, admissions requirements, and graduation requirements must be documented. Note before completing this proposal that all new courses and current prerequisite, co-requisite, core, or elective courses changes must have already been reviewed (or submitted for the same meeting) by the Curriculum Committee and approved by the Provost. The Track Changes feature in Word must be used to illustrate all changes to the catalog page.

School or Division	School of Health Professions
Program or Certificate	Rn to BSN
Proposed by (faculty only)	Marti Jenner
Presenter (faculty only)	Marti Jenner
Note that the presenter (faculty) listed above must be present at the Curriculum Committee meeting or the proposal will be returned to the School or Division and be resubmitted for a later date.	
Submission date	11/13/2018
All Curriculum proposals require approval of the Curriculum Committee and the Interim Provost for Academic Affairs. Final approval or denial of a proposal is reflected on the completed and signed proposal.	
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 Interim Provost for Academic Affairs Signature	 Date
All Curriculum proposals require review by the Office of Accountability & Effectiveness.	
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 Office of Accountability & Effectiveness Signature	 Date

Section I, Important Dates and Endorsements Required

NOTE: Course and Program changes must be submitted by the dates listed on the published Curriculum Committee Calendar. Exceptions to the published submission deadlines must receive prior approval from the Interim Provost for Academic Affairs' Office.

Term in which approved action will take place	Fall 2019
Provide an explanation below for the requested exception to the effective date.	
NA	

Any exceptions to the term start date requires the signatures of the Academic Dean and Interim Provost for Academic Affairs prior to submission to the Dropbox.		
Dean	Signature	Date
Denis Wright		
Interim Provost for Academic Affairs	Signature	Date
Dr. Eileen DeLuca		

Required Endorsements	Type in Name	Select Date
Department Chair or Program Coordinator/Director	Susan Torres for B. Holbrook	11/13/2018
Academic Dean or Interim Provost for Academic Affairs	D. Selman	11/13/2018

List all faculty endorsements below. (Note that proposals will be returned to the School or Division if faculty endorsements are not provided).
Marti Jenner, Marsha Weiner, Shawn Steiner, Barbara Ward, Susan Torres

Section II, Proposed Changes

Do any of the changes affect the AA focus? (If so, a Change of Program proposal is also needed.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Have the deans of the General Studies been contacted/consulted?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Have you attached an updated catalog page?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Change of School, Division, or Department	NA
Change to program or certificate name	NA
List below, any changes to the program or certificate prerequisites. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
Nutrition has been removed in compliance with State DOE 2plus2 requirements for BSN	
List below, any changes to the General Education requirements. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
No	
List below, any changes to the program or certificate Core requirements. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
NUR4827C and NUR4955 are now co-requisites	
List below, any changes to the program or certificate Elective requirements. Include course titles and credits if applicable.	
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List below, any other changes to the program or certificate requirements.	
No	
Change to program length (credits or clock hours to complete)	From: No To:

Include complete new catalog page as an attachment. Proposals without the new catalog page will not be reviewed by the committee.

Section III, Justification for proposal

Include state frameworks, accrediting or professional organization recommendations or requirements, workforce data, and/or crosswalks.

Provide justification (below) for each change on this proposed curriculum action.

These changes are to be in compliance with the 2017 ASN to BSN DOE requirements. See attached document.

Program:	<u>Nursing</u>	CIP:	<u>51.3801</u>
	<u>A.S. to B.S.</u>	Track:	<u>2/2</u>
Offered At:	<u>BC, CC, CCF, DSC*, FAMU*, FAU*, FSCJ, FSWSC, GCSC, NWFSC, PES, PHSC, PSC, SCFMS, SFC, SFSC, TCC</u>	Program Length:	<u>120 Cr. Hrs.</u>
	<u>FGC, IRSC, PBSC, SPC</u>		<u>121</u>
	<u>SJRSC</u>		<u>123</u>
	<u>FGCU*, FIU*, FSU*, UWF</u>		<u>124</u>
	<u>MDC</u>		<u>125</u>

Changed CIP 5/26/2010 from 51.1601 to 51.3801

REVISED 10/24/12, 10/23/13

REVISED 4/4/14, 6/30/14

REVISED 10/28/15

REVISED 05/17/17

REVISED 10/25/17

Technical revision 7/5/2018

LOWER LEVEL COURSES

	Cr. Hrs.
— BSCX085C	4
OR — BSCX085/X085L	4
OR — BSCX093C	4
OR — BSCX093/X093L	4
& — BSCX086C	4
OR — BSCX086/X086L	4
OR — BSCX094C	4
OR — BSCX094/X094L	4
& — CHMXXXX (1, 2, 3)	3
OR — BSCXXXX (1, 2)	3
OR — BCHXXXX (1, 2)	3
OR — PCBXXXX (1, 2)	3
OR — PHYXXXX (1, 2)	3
& — DEPX004 (1)	3
OR — DEPX054 (1)	3
OR — DEPX000 (1)	3
OR — DEPX414 (1)	3
& — HUNX201 (1, 2)	3
OR — NURX192 (1, 2)	3
OR — NURX180 (1, 2)	3
& — MCBX010C	4
OR — MCBX010/X010L	4
OR — MCBX013C	4
OR — MCBX000/X000L	4
OR — MCBX000C	4
OR — MCBX004/X004L	4
OR — MCBX004C	4
& — PSYXXXX (1)	3
OR — SOPXXXX (1)	3
OR — SYGXXXX (1)	3
& — STAX014	3
OR — STAX023	3
OR — STAX122	3

FOR ALL MAJORS: Students are strongly encouraged to select required lower division electives that will enhance their general education coursework and that will support their intended baccalaureate degree program. Students should consult with an academic advisor in their major degree area.

- (1) Not required for SPC BSN program; Passing score on NCLEX exam demonstrates competency in the content area. NOTE: Graduation from an A.S. program and active RN licensure is required for admission.
- Notice to A.S. to B.S.N. Nursing Students: Some colleges and universities may require all general education courses, including the above common prerequisites, to be completed BEFORE application. Some may require all general education courses completed by the time a certain number of nursing courses are completed (before any 4000 level courses are attempted or before the final nursing course) or graduation. See the individual institution for details.
- Note: Student enrollment in the SJRSC program is planned to begin in fall 2013.
- (2) Not required for FSWSC BSN program; Passing score on NCLEX-RN exam demonstrates competency in the content area. NOTE: Graduation from an A.S. program and active RN licensure is required for admission.
- (3) Not required for FGC BSN program.
- * Limited Access.

Updated Changes
as a result of Nursing
meeting w/ Registrar
12/10/18
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Nursing, BSN

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Field Code Changed

Accreditation:

The Florida SouthWestern State College BSN Program is accredited by the:
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN)
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850
Atlanta, Georgia 30326
Telephone: 404-975-5000
<http://acenursing.org/>

Program Highlights:

The RN to BSN Program includes courses in professional issues, informatics, research, advanced health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology, multicultural nursing, leadership, community health, and a portfolio capstone. Courses are taken online to accommodate various schedules.

Admission Requirements:

1. Registered Nurse License - Must have a valid, active, unrestricted, and unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) license, permitted to work in the United States. Note that the license must remain current throughout enrollment in the RN to BSN program.
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4. Apply online as a bachelor's degree seeking student. Note that a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in all college level coursework is required for admission: <https://www.fsw.edu/admissions/bachelor>

Academic Standards:

The academic standards in the RN to BSN Nursing program are very rigorous and require full commitment.

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1. Complete 120 credit hours as outlined in the RN to BSN Program of Study.
2. Earn a grade of "C" or better in each required General Education course, RN to BSN Upper Division courses, Program Specific courses, and electives.
3. A student who attempts and/or fails a nursing course will be permitted to re-take that nursing course only once on a space-available basis.
4. An "attempt" is defined as a course registration in effect at the end of the add/drop period
5. Attempting with failure or withdrawal in any second nursing course may result in dismissal from the Program.

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Program of Study

The RN to BSN program of study includes:

General Education and RN to BSN Specific Prerequisite Requirements: 42 Credits

COMMUNICATIONS CATEGORY: 9 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive)

ENC 1101 - Composition I, **Writing Intensive 3 credits** (must complete with a "C" or better)

ENC 1102 - Composition II, **Writing Intensive 3 credits** (must complete with a "C" or better)

SPC1017 or SPC2608 Speech **3 credits**

HUMANITIES CATEGORY: 6 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive from Humanities and/or Social Sciences)

1 Core Humanities **3 credits**

1 Any other Humanities General Education Course **3 credits**

SOCIAL SCIENCES CATEGORY: 9 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive from Humanities and/or Social Sciences)

PSYXXXX, or SYGXXXX (FL courses) or Introduction to Psychology OR Introduction to Sociology Core **3 credits**

DEPXXXX – (Human Growth & Development course) **3 credits**

Any other Social Science General Education Course **3 credits**

MATHEMATICS CATEGORY: 6 Credits Required

STA2023 Statistical Methods **3 credits** (must complete with a "C" or better)

Any Mathematics General Education Course, **3 credits** (must complete with a "C" or better)

NATURAL SCIENCES CATEGORY: 12 Credits Required Including RN to BSN Specific Prerequisites

BSC1085C or BSC1093C Anatomy and Physiology I **4 credits**

BSC1086C or BSC1094C Anatomy and Physiology II **4 credits**

MCB2010 Microbiology **4 credits**

Refer to Florida Center for Advising and Academic Support – Common Prerequisites 2018-2019 Program Nursing AS to BS CIP: 51.3801

Foreign Language Competency Requirement

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Electives from Lower Division 48 Credits*

Any 1000 - 4000 level courses

**Students who complete an AS or AAS degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited institution and who hold a current active, unencumbered RN license*

must complete the necessary number of credits (up to 48 hours) to accumulate the required 120 credits for program completion.

for lower division nursing program credit

UPPER DIVISION RN to BSN Core Requirements: 30 Credits Required

NUR 3805 - Professional Roles and Dimensions **3 credits**

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NUR 3145 - Pharmacology and Alternative Therapeutics **3 credits**

NUR 4165 - Nursing Research **3 credits** *

NUR 3066C - Advanced Health Assessment **3 credits**

NUR 3655 - Multicultural Nursing **3 credits**

NUR 4636C - Community Health Nursing **4 credits**

NUR 4827C - Leadership in Nursing Practice **4 credits** **

NUR 4955 – Nursing Capstone **1 credit** **

**NUR 3870 Informatics for Health Professionals is a prerequisite to NUR 4165 Nursing Research and NUR 4827C Leadership in Nursing Practice /NUR4955 Nursing Capstone courses.*

***NUR 4955 Nursing Capstone is a co-requisite to be taken with NUR 4827C Leadership in Nursing Practice*

Total Degree Requirements: 120 Credit Hours

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete 120 credit hours as outlined in the RN to BSN Program of Study.
2. To satisfy residency requirements by completing a minimum of 15 core baccalaureate (3000 or 4000 level) program credit hours must be earned at Florida SouthWestern State College.
3. Earn a cumulative grade point average in the Program of 2.0 or higher.

End of Program Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the RN to BSN Program, the graduate will able to:

1. Synthesize knowledge from nursing and the physical, behavioral, psychological and social sciences, and the humanities in the practice of professional nursing.
2. Integrate global health and health care, its relevant issues and policies as they relate to professional nursing practice.
3. Evaluate research in the exploration of the spectrum of health within the framework of evidence-based practice.
4. Synthesize standards of professional practice and care.
5. Articulate the role of the professional nurse within inter-professional teams.
6. Analyze current and changing health care information technologies and systems.
7. Summarize the components of leadership and followership in professional nursing practice.
8. Interpret the social responsibility of the nursing profession in the development and implementation of health care policy.

Information is available online at: www.fsw.edu/academics/ and on the School of Health Professions Home page at: www.fsw.edu/sohp.
See WebSite for Application Deadlines

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Nursing, BSN

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Program Highlights:

The RN to BSN Program includes courses in professional issues, informatics, research, advanced health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology, multicultural nursing, leadership, community health, and a portfolio capstone. Courses are taken online to accommodate various schedules. ~~Students may choose from these three schedule options:~~

• ~~Two Semesters (Full Time, 15 credits per semester)~~

• ~~Four Semesters (Part Time)~~

• ~~Six Semesters (Very Part Time)~~

Admission Requirements:

Admission Requirements:

1. Registered Nurse License - Must have a valid, active, unrestricted, and unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) license, permitted to work in the United States. Note that the license must remain current throughout enrollment in the RN to BSN program.

2. Complete thirty-six (36) college credits of General Education coursework corresponding with the FSW General Education Program Guide (<http://catalog.fsw.edu/prevprogram.php?catoid=11&poId=682>) and RN to BSN Program Specific Prerequisite Courses:

~~At least one (1) course from each of the General Education subject areas: Communication, Mathematics, Humanities, and Natural Sciences;~~

~~Six (6) semester hours of English coursework~~

~~Six (6) semester hours of Mathematics coursework~~

~~Six (6) additional semester hours of writing-intensive coursework~~

~~Foreign Language Competency Requirement according to FSW Foreign Language Baccalaureate Requirements~~

3. All Coursework above will be evaluated by the College to determine transfer of credits or applicability to the program <https://www.fsw.edu/registrar/registration/4>

4. Apply online as a bachelor's degree seeking student. Note that a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in all college level coursework is required for admission: <https://www.fsw.edu/admissions/bachelor>

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Complete 120 credit hours as outlined in the RN to BSN Program of Study.

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Program of Study

The RN to BSN program of study includes:

~~ESW-General Education Courses (36 credits), *RN-to-BSN Program Specific and Prerequisite Courses and any 1000-4000 Elective Courses (must meet 54 credits), Upper Division Courses RN to BSN (30 credits), 120 Total Credits~~

~~*If the RN to BSN Program Specific Coursework is met within the General Education Course program no additional credits are required.~~

General Education and RN to BSN Specific Prerequisite Requirements: ~~3642 Credits~~

~~According to Florida Administrative Code Rule 6A.14-03.03 and 6A.10.030~~

~~Each student must successfully take twelve (12) semester hours of writing intensive coursework demonstrating college-level writing skills with a grade of "C" or better. Six (6) credits must be taken in English Composition and Communication, and six (6) credits in the Social Sciences and/or Humanities.~~

~~Refer to the ESW General Education Program Guide for further details.~~

COMMUNICATIONS CATEGORY: ~~9 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive)~~

~~ENC 1101 - Composition I, must complete with a "C" or better Writing Intensive 3 credits~~

~~ENC 1102 - Composition II, must complete with a "C" or better Writing Intensive 3 credits~~

~~Additional Communication-General Education Course 3 credits~~

~~SPC1017 or SPC2608 Speech 3 credits~~

HUMANITIES CATEGORY: ~~6 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive from Humanities and/or Social Sciences)~~

~~1 Core Humanities 3 credits~~

~~1 Any other Humanities General Education Courses 3 credits~~

SOCIAL SCIENCES CATEGORY: ~~9 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive from Humanities and/or Social Sciences)~~

~~Social Sciences-General Education Courses 9 credits PSYXXX Core 3 credits~~

~~DEPXXX 3 credits~~

~~1 Any other Social Science General Education Course 3 credits~~

MATHEMATICS CATEGORY: ~~6 Credits Required~~

~~Core Mathematics-General Education Course must pass with a "C" or better 3 credits STA2023 Statistical Methods 3 credits~~

~~Any Mathematics General Education Courses must pass with a "C" or better 3 credits~~

NATURAL SCIENCES CATEGORY: ~~126 Credits Required Including RN to BSN Specific Prerequisites~~

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Core Natural Sciences-General Education Course 3 credits

Any Natural Sciences-General Education Course 3 credits

Natural Science Laboratory Course*

*Must include one (1) Humanities Core Course.

*Must include one (1) Social Science Core Course.

*The lab course must correspond to either of the two selected Natural Science General Education courses. It may be a standalone course (courses with an "L" suffix; e.g., CHM 1045L) or combined with a "C" suffix; e.g., BSC 1051C).

Foreign Language Competency Requirement

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RN to BSN PROGRAM SPECIFIC and Prerequisite Courses: 54 Credits Required

These courses may be fulfilled within the FSW General Education Program Guide or with other college transfer-eligible courses:

BSC 1085C Anatomy and Physiology I 4 credits or BSC 1093C Anatomy and Physiology I 4 credits

BSC 1086C Anatomy and Physiology II 4 credits or BSC 1094C Anatomy and Physiology II 4 credits

DEP 2004 Human Growth and Development 3 credits (or any DEP X004 3 credits)

HUN 1201 Human Nutrition 3 credits

MCB 2010C Microbiology 4 credits

Any Social Sciences with PSY, SOP, or SYG prefix 3 credits

STA 2023 Statistical Methods I 3 credits

Electives from Lower Division 48 Credits*

Any 1000 - 4000 level courses.

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- NUR 3655 - Multicultural Nursing **3 credits**
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- NUR 4827C - Leadership in Nursing Practice **4 credits****
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 - Synthesize standards of professional practice and care.
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 - Analyze current and changing health care information technologies and systems.
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 - Interpret the social responsibility of the nursing profession in the development and implementation of health care policy.

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Nursing, BSN

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The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) is a rigorous online RN to BSN degree completion program for Registered Nurses (RNs). Applicants should carefully consider if an online Program best meets their learning style. Enrollment is limited based on the number of available seats each semester. Applicants must complete all General Education courses, RN to BSN Program Specific courses, and the foreign language competency before applying.

The Program provides a career ladder from the AS degree to the BS degree for RNs who have earned a diploma or Associate of Science Degree in Nursing. Coursework will continue to build upon the registered nursing curriculum foundation. The Program offers a diverse population of students with innovative educational experiences and opportunities to meet the health care needs of the community they serve. Through the educational process, the student will be able to internalize the values, traditions, and obligations of the professional nurse and gain a greater professional perspective with increased critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

The BSN Program prepares RNs for career promotions and advancement in nursing to include positions in academia, community health, management, and leadership. It also provides a foundation for advancement to graduate level education programs. Current occupational employment and wage data for Registered Nurses is published by the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics at www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes291141.htm

Accreditation:

The Florida South Western State College BSN Program is accredited by the:



Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN)

3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850

Atlanta, Georgia 30326

Telephone: 404-975-5000

<http://acenursing.org/>

Program Highlights:

The RN to BSN Program includes courses in professional issues, informatics, research, advanced health assessment, pathophysiology, pharmacology, multicultural nursing, leadership, community health, and a portfolio capstone. Courses are taken online to accommodate various schedules

Admission Requirements:

1. Registered Nurse License - Must have a valid, active, unrestricted, and unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) license, permitted to work in the United States. Note that the license must remain current throughout enrollment in the RN to BSN program.
2. Complete thirty-six (36) college credits of General Education coursework corresponding with the FSW General Education Program Guide (http://catalog.fsw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=11&poiid=682), and RN to BSN Program Specific Prerequisite Courses
3. All Coursework above will be evaluated by the College to determine transfer of credits or applicability to the program <https://www.fsw.edu/registrar/registration/4>
4. Apply online as a bachelor's degree seeking student. Note that a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in all college level coursework is required for admission: <https://www.fsw.edu/admissions/bachelor>

Academic Standards:

The academic standards in the RN to BSN Nursing program are very rigorous and require full commitment.

Complete 120 credit hours as outlined in the RN to BSN Program of Study.

Earn a grade of "C" or better in each required General Education course, RN to BSN Upper Division courses, Program Specific courses, and electives. An "attempt" is defined as a course registration in effect at the end of the drop/add period.

A student who fails a nursing course will be permitted to re-take that nursing course only once on a space-available basis. Failure or withdrawal in any second nursing course may result in dismissal from the Program.

Program of Study

The RN to BSN program of study includes:

General Education and RN to BSN Specific Prerequisite Requirements: 42 Credits

COMMUNICATIONS CATEGORY: 9 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive)

ENC.1101 - Composition I, Writing Intensive 3 credits

ENC.1102 - Composition II, Writing Intensive 3 credits

SPC1017 or SPC2608 Speech 3 credits

HUMANITIES CATEGORY: 6 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive from Humanities and/or Social Sciences)

- 1 Core Humanities **3 credits**
1 Any other Humanities General Education Course **3 credits**

SOCIAL SCIENCES CATEGORY: 9 Credits Required (6 Writing Intensive from Humanities and/or Social Sciences)

- PSYXXXX Core **3 credits**
DEPXXXX **3 credits**
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MATHEMATICS CATEGORY: 6 Credits Required

- STA2023 Statistical Methods **3 credits**
Any Mathematics General Education Course **3 credits**

NATURAL SCIENCES CATEGORY: 12 Credits Required Including RN to BSN Specific Prerequisites

- BSC1085C or BSC1093C Anatomy and Physiology I **4 credits**
BSC1086C or BSC1094C Anatomy and Physiology II **4 credits**
MCB2010 Microbiology **4 credits**

Refer to Florida Center for Advising and Academic Support – Common Prerequisites 2018-2019 Program Nursing AS to BS CIP: 51.3801

Foreign Language Competency Requirement

- Two years of the same High School Foreign Language, or
- Documented foreign proficiency through testing, or
- Two semesters of the same College Level Foreign Language (Level II proficiency), or
- Level II proficiency – this criterion occurs when a student has completed the second course of a sequence of college foreign language without completing the first course. For example, if a student has successfully completed a college-level Spanish II but not Spanish I, then the student has met the Foreign Language Competency requirement.

Electives from Lower Division 48 Credits*

Any 1000 - 4000 level courses

**Students who complete an AS or AAS degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited institution and who hold a current active, unencumbered RN license for lower division nursing program credit*

UPPER DIVISION RN to BSN Core Requirements: 30 Credits Required

- NUR 3805 - Professional Roles and Dimensions 3 credits
- NUR 3870 - Informatics for the Health Professional 3 credits
- NUR 3125 - Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice 3 credits
- NUR 3145 - Pharmacology and Alternative Therapeutics 3 credits
- NUR 4165 - Nursing Research 3 credits *
- NUR 3066C - Advanced Health Assessment 3 credits
- NUR 3655 - Multicultural Nursing 3 credits
- NUR 4636C - Community Health Nursing 4 credits
- NUR 4827C - Leadership in Nursing Practice 4 credits **
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