

NURSING INTEREST, BS IN HEALTH SCIENCE

Overview

Nursing is a high-demand profession that offers fulfilling opportunities to improve the lives of others and advance in one's career. Students who wish to pursue the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/education-health-professions/nursing/nursing/>) (BSN), but haven't completed the core requirements, should enroll in the Bachelor of Science in Health Science with a declared Nursing Interest until they get accepted into the Nursing program. If they later decide not to pursue Nursing, they can remain in Health Science and finish its program requirements. Admission to the Nursing program is competitive; completion of all courses required for admission does not guarantee acceptance. Students who are interested in Nursing are encouraged to do the following:

1. Declare BS in Health Science with Nursing Interest as their major and discuss your plans and timeline with an academic advisor.
2. Follow the Program of Study and first two years on the Program Map tab for BS in Health Science (Nursing Interest).
3. Consult with an academic advisor about when to apply for admission to the Nursing program.
4. Apply to the Nursing program at CSU. If accepted into the Nursing program, follow the Program of Study and Program Map found on the catalog page for the BSN (<https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/academic-units/education-health-professions/nursing/nursing/>).

The Program Map posted for Health Science (Nursing Interest) includes a recommended 4-year sequence for completing all required coursework in the BS in Health Science, but the first two years include the specific courses needed for admission into the BSN. If a student follows the Nursing Interest Program Map for the first two years, all courses will count in the BSN or the BS in Health Science.

The Bachelor of Science in Health Science is designed as a fundamental health-related degree that will enable students to pursue a variety of careers related to our population's health status. Graduates will have the basic skills and knowledge needed to become an asset to the health care community.