

# NURSING (BSN)

## Program Overview

The BSN degree prepares a nurse generalist with a liberal arts background who focuses upon treating human responses to actual or potential health programs. Graduates are expected to meet the program outcomes to function in entry-level nursing practice positions. After successful completion of required core coursework, students enter nursing courses in the fall of their junior year.

### CSU Nursing Facts:

There are more than 1,000 health science majors focusing on nursing and nursing majors and the numbers continue to increase.

The baccalaureate degree program in nursing is approved by the Georgia Board of Nursing (<https://sos.ga.gov/sites/default/files/forms/38%20Reference%20-%20RN%20Education%20Programs.pdf>). The baccalaureate degree program in nursing is accredited by:

Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education  
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Our faculty provides hands-on experiences to our students. All of our professors are clinical experts in the area in which they teach.

Students get relevant, hands-on experience, in the classroom and in clinical settings.

Low instructor-to-student ratio.

The clinical nursing curriculum is offered over four semesters beginning in the junior year and is preceded by two years of pre-nursing (core) courses.

## Career Opportunities

Graduates are able to obtain entry-level nursing practice positions in hospitals, rehabilitation centers, nursing homes, clinics and other healthcare facilities once completing the NCLEX (National Council Licensure Exam) requirement.

## Program of Study

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Institutional Priorities <sup>1</sup></b>		<b>4-5</b>
Choose one of the following communication options		3
COMM 1110	Public Speaking	
Foreign Language Course Options		
AMSL, ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GERM, GREK, ITAL, JAPN, KREN, LATIN, PORT, SPAN - 1001, 1002, 2001, 2002; SWAH - 1001, 1002.		
Take one of the following courses		1-2
ITDS 1779	Scholarship Across the Disciplines	
LEAD 1705	Introduction to Servant Leadership	
PERS 1506	Perspectives 1-hour	
PERS 1507	Perspectives 2-hour	
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Mathematics &amp; Quantitative Skills <sup>1</sup></b>		<b>3-7</b>
DATA 1501	Introduction to Data Science	3

MATH 1001	Quantitative Skills and Reasoning	3
MATH 1101	Introduction to Mathematical Modeling	3
MATH 1111	College Algebra	3
MATH 1113	Pre-Calculus	4
MATH 1125	Applied Calculus	3
MATH 1131	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I	4
MATH 1132	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II	4
MATH 1165	Computer-Assisted Problem Solving	3
MATH 1401	Introduction to Statistics	3
MATH 1501	Calculus I	4
MATH 2125	Introduction to Discrete Mathematics	3
STAT 1401	Elementary Statistics	3
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Political Science and U.S. History</b>		<b>6</b>
HIST 2111	U. S. History to 1865	3
or HIST 2112	U. S. History since 1865	
POLS 1101	American Government	3
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Arts, Humanities, and Ethics</b>		<b>6</b>
Select one Fine Arts course		3
ARTH 1100	Art Appreciation	
ARTH 2125	Introduction to the History of Art I– Prehistoric through Gothic	
ARTH 2126	Introduction to the History of Art II– Renaissance through Modern	
MUSC 1100	Music Appreciation	
THEA 1100	Theatre Appreciation	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts <sup>2</sup>	
Select one Humanities course		3
ENGL 2111	World Literature I	
ENGL 2112	World Literature II	
ITDS 1155	The Western Intellectual Tradition	
ITDS 1774	Introduction to Digital Humanities	
PHIL 2010	Introduction to Philosophy	
ITDS 1145	Comparative Arts <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Communicating in Writing</b>		<b>6</b>
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3
ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences <sup>1,3</sup></b>		<b>7-11</b>
ANTH 1145	Human Origins	3
ASTR 1105	Descriptive Astronomy: The Solar System	3
ASTR 1106	Descriptive Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies	3
ASTR 1305	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	1
ATSC 1112	Understanding the Weather	3
ATSC 1112L	Understanding the Weather Lab	1
BIOL 1125	Contemporary Issues in Biology Non-Lab	3
BIOL 1215K	Introductory Biology	4
BIOL 1225K	Contemporary Issues in Biology with Lab	4
CHEM 1151 & 1151L	Survey of Chemistry I and Survey of Chemistry I Lab	4
CHEM 1152 & 1152L	Survey of Chemistry II and Survey of Chemistry II Lab	4
CHEM 1211 & 1211L	Principles of Chemistry I and Principles of Chemistry I Lab	4

CHEM 1212 & 1212L	Principles of Chemistry II and Principles of Chemistry II Lab	4
CPSC 1105	Introduction to Computing Principles and Technology	3
CPSC 1301K	Computer Science I	4
ENVS 1105	Environmental Studies	3
ENVS 1105L	Environmental Studies Laboratory	1
ENVS 1205K	Sustainability and the Environment	4
GEOG 2215	Introduction to the Geographic Information Systems	3
GEO 1110	Natural Disasters: Our Hazardous Environment	3
GEO 1121	Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology	3
GEO 1121L	Introductory Geoscience I: Physical Geology Lab	1
GEO 1122	Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology	3
GEO 1322	Introductory Geo-sciences II: Historical Geology Lab	1
GEO 2225	The Fossil Record	4
PHYS 1111 & PHYS 1311	Introductory Physics I and Introductory Physics I Lab	4
PHYS 1112 & PHYS 1312	Introductory Physics II and Introductory Physics II Lab	4
PHYS 1125	Physics of Color and Sound	3
PHYS 1325	Physics of Color and Sound Lab	1
PHYS 2211 & PHYS 2311	Principles of Physics I and Principles of Physics I Lab	4
PHYS 2212 & PHYS 2312	Principles of Physics II and Principles of Physics II Lab	4
<b>Core IMPACTS Area : Social Sciences</b>		<b>6</b>
Select one Behavioral Science course		
ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	
PHIL 2030	Moral Philosophy	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology	
Select one World Cultures course		3
ANTH 1107	Discovering Archaeology	
ANTH 1105	Cultural Anthropology	
ANTH 2105	Ancient World Civilizations	
ANTH 2136	Language and Culture	
ENGL 2136	Language and Culture	
GEOG 1101	World Regional Geography	
HIST 1111	World History to 1500	
HIST 1112	World History since 1500	
ITDS 1156	Understanding Non-Western Cultures	
<b>Core IMPACTS Total Hours</b>		<b>42</b>
<b>Health and Wellness</b>		<b>3</b>
KINS 1106	Lifetime Wellness	2
	or PHED 1205 Concepts of Fitness	
Select one of the following		1
Any PEDS course		
MUSC 1206	Body Mapping (Music Majors Only)	

<sup>1</sup> The hours applied in the Institutional Priorities; Mathematics & Quantitative Skills; and Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences areas must add to 18 credit hours.

<sup>2</sup> ITDS 1145 Comparative Arts, though listed under both Fine Arts and Humanities, may be taken only once.

<sup>3</sup> At least 4 of the credit hours in this area must be in a lab science course.

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
Complete the core requirements for this program		45
<b>Field of Study Requirements</b>		
BIOL 2251K	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 2252K	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIOL 2260K	Foundations of Microbiology	4
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology	3
STAT 1401	Elementary Statistics	3
Field of Study Requirements Total		18
<b>Required for the Major</b>		
NURS 3171	Pharmacology in Nursing I	2
NURS 3174	Dosage Calculations for Nursing	1
NURS 3275	Foundations of Clinical Nursing Practice	6
NURS 3276	Introduction to Health Assessment and Wellness	3
NURS 3279	Applied Pathophysiology	3
NURS 3121	Servant Leadership for the Professional Nurse I	3
Total 60 for major required courses		
Courses are in order for Term 1- 4 of the four semester program once accepted in the nursing program		
NURS 3172	Pharmacology in Nursing II	2
NURS 3280	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS 3277	Medical Surgical Nursing	6
NURS 4175	Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURS 4176	Introduction to Nursing Informatics	2
NURS 4122	Servant Leadership for the Professional Nurse II	3
NURS 4275	Maternal-Child Nursing	6
NURS 4276	Servant Leadership in the Community	4
NURS 4277	Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing	7
NURS 4288	Senior Synthesis (Waiting on approval for those courses not found)	5
Required for the Major Total		60
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>123</b>

### Program Map for BSN (Bachelor of Science in Nursing):

Admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) occurs through a competitive selection process. Applications are considered from students who have successfully completed the required set of courses indicated below. Students who intend to pursue Nursing but have not been admitted to the BSN should declare their major as "Nursing Interest - BS in Health Science." A program map for that program can be found with the catalog pages for the BS in Health Science.

• Complete Core Classes as a BS in Health Science: Nursing Interest

Concentration Major; these include Field of Study Classes for the BSN (BIOL 2251K, BIOL 2252K, BIOL 2260K, PSYC 1101, and STAT 1401) for a total of 63 credit hours.

- Consult with your Academic Advisor to determine the best time to complete your application to the BSN program.
- If your application to the Nursing program has been accepted, please refer to the following courses for the BSN Degree.

### Program Map

Course	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Third Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 3174	Dosage Calculations for Nursing (minimum grade of C)	1
NURS 3171	Pharmacology in Nursing I (minimum grade of C)	2
NURS 3275	Foundations of Clinical Nursing Practice (minimum grade of C)	6
NURS 3279	Applied Pathophysiology (minimum grade of C)	3
NURS 3276	Introduction to Health Assessment and Wellness (minimum grade of C)	3
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 3121	Servant Leadership for the Professional Nurse I (minimum grade of C)	3
NURS 3277	Medical Surgical Nursing (minimum grade of C)	6
NURS 3172	Pharmacology in Nursing II (minimum grade of C)	2
NURS 3280	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing (minimum grade of C)	4
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
NURS 4176	Introduction to Nursing Informatics (minimum grade of C)	2
NURS 4175	Evidence-Based Practice (minimum grade of C)	3
NURS 4275	Maternal-Child Nursing (minimum grade of C)	6
NURS 4276	Servant Leadership in the Community (minimum grade of C)	4
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
NURS 4122	Servant Leadership for the Professional Nurse II (minimum grade of C)	3
NURS 4277	Appl of Professionalism in Nur (minimum grade of C)	7

NURS 4288	Senior Synthesis (minimum grade of C)	5
<b>Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>60</b>

## Additional Program Requirements

Students who seek admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program should do the following:

- Complete [BIOL 2251K](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202251K) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202251K) Anatomy & Physiology I with a grade of "C" or better<sup>1</sup>,
- Complete [BIOL 2252K](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202252K) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202252K) Anatomy & Physiology II with a grade of "C" or better<sup>1</sup>,
- Complete [BIOL 2260K](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202260K) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202260K) Foundations of Microbiology with a grade of "C" or better<sup>1</sup>,
- Complete [PSYC 1101](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=PSYC%201101) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=PSYC%201101) Introduction to General Psychology,
- Complete at least 34 out of the 42 overall credit hours in the Core IMPACTS areas,
- Complete the Evolve Reach A2 Assessment Test with scores of 75% or better on the three required sections (math, reading, and grammar),
- Earn an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, and
- Earn a **Program GPA**<sup>2</sup> of 2.75 or higher.

Admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program is competitive and based on limited program capacity. Completing the required coursework does not guarantee acceptance.

<sup>1</sup> [BIOL 2251K](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202251K) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202251K) Anatomy & Physiology I, [BIOL 2252K](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202252K) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202252K) Anatomy & Physiology II, and [BIOL 2260K](https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202260K) (https://catalog.columbusstate.edu/search/?P=BIOL%202260K) Foundations of Microbiology must be completed no more than 7 years prior to starting the nursing program. If a course has expired, the course will need to be repeated, and only the most recent grade earned will be used for the program GPA. Students may only earn a D, F, or WF from one of these courses once; earning a D, F, or WF in two of these courses will make a student ineligible to apply to the BSN program for five years.

<sup>2</sup> The **Program GPA** is determined based on all courses that will be counted toward Core IMPACTS, Field of Study, and Major Requirements in the BSN.