Catalog 2011-2012

Major:

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Departments/Programs:

Nursing (Adult Undergraduate and Graduate)

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program is for individuals who have graduated from a diploma nursing school or from an associate degree program. Any student taking nursing courses must be a licensed registered nurse in the state of Nebraska.

It is recommended that applications and supporting documents be submitted by July 1 and November 1; however, applications will be accepted after those dates as long as class space is available.

See Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) program pages for application requirements and supporting documents.

Licensure as a Registered Nurse

Individuals who have graduated from a diploma or an associate degree program in nursing and are awaiting the results of the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) for registered nurses may be admitted to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program on probation if they meet all admission criteria other than licensure as a registered nurse.

Upon notification by the State Bureau of Examining Boards that the NCLEX-RN has been passed, the student must notify the program director of Nursing and present a copy of the Nebraska nursing license for the nursing programâ??s files. At this time, the student is admitted to full status.

Upon notification by the State Bureau of Examining Boards that the NCLEX-RN has been failed, the student must notify the program director of Nursing. The student may complete the classroom portion of nursing classes in which he or she is currently enrolled. However, he or she will not be allowed to complete the clinical portion of courses in which he or she is currently enrolled, and will therefore be given a grade of Incomplete for these. The clinical component of the course must be completed within 12 months.

The student is not eligible to take further nursing courses that are open only to persons admitted to the nursing program until the NCLEX-RN has been retaken and passed. When the student receives notification that it has been passed, he or she must notify the program director of Nursing and present a copy of the Nebraska nursing license for the nursing programâ??s files. At this time, the student is admitted to full status and is again eligible to enroll in classes offered through the nursing program.

Failure to meet the admission requirements will cause the student to be unable to enroll in those courses that are open only to persons admitted to the nursing program.

Transfer of Credits for Associate Degree Nursing Programs

After successful completion with a grade of a??Ca?• (2.00) or above of Nursing 231 and 236, graduates of non-collegiate-based or non-state-approved associate degree nursing programs will receive 29 hours of credit for previous nursing education. Graduates of state-approved associate degree nursing programs receive 29 hours of nursing credits upon transfer.

Required Courses (32-33 hours)

Course Number	Hours
NURS 201 Professional Communication in Nursing	1 hours
NURS 205 Issues of Professional Nursing Practice	3 hours
NURS 231 Nursing Theories	3 hours
NURS 233 Health Assessment	3 hours
NURS 234 Health Care Ethics	3 hours

Course Number	Hours
NURS 236 Introduction to Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice	4 hours
NURS 240 Management and Leadership in Health Care	4 hours
NURS 245 Nursing of Families and Groups in the Community	3 hours
NURS 250 Population Based Nursing Practice	4 hours
Select one of the following:	
NURS 190 Selected Topic	1-5 hours
NURS 202 Nursing in Specialized Care Settings	1-3 hours
NURS 204 Women's Health: Global Perspective	3 hours
NURS 296 Special Projects	1-3 hours

Required Supporting Courses (9 hours)

Course Number	Hours
BIO 270 Pathophysiology	3 hours
MATH 007 Statistics	3 hours
Department-approved Lifespan Development Course	3

General Education Requirements (39-45 hours)

Requirement	Hours
English and Communications	6-9
Developing Foundations	8-9
Global Perspectives	6-8
Western Intellectual and Religious Traditions	3
U.S. Culture and Society	6
Fine Arts	3
Scientific Inquiry	7