

III. NURSING

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The Program

Remember:

1. You are personally responsible to plan your program to meet all graduation requirements.
2. To graduate you must complete all major and QuEST requirements with a minimum of 123 total credit hours. (a typical nursing plan is 127 credits)
3. To continue at Messiah, you will need to maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 1.80 (0–23 credits), 1.90 (24–56 credits), and 2.00 (57 credits or above).
4. To enter the clinical nursing courses, you will need to achieve a prerequisite earned GPA of 2.70 and a minimum grade of “C” in specified prerequisite courses. Only 1 pre-requisite course may be repeated for an earned grade < “C”. Only one “C” is allowed in a pre-requisite science course: CHEM 103, BIOL 185, BIOL 186, BIOL 189, BIOL 382.
5. To progress in the nursing major you must maintain a cumulative earned GPA of 3.00.
6. Successful criminal history background checks must be completed for entry into the nursing clinical courses.
7. You must undergo a physical examination, with annual follow-ups, that are documented on required health forms.
8. You must undergo a drug screening prior to clinical courses.
9. The last 30 credits preceding the conferring of the degree must be earned at Messiah College with a minimum of 12 credits in the major.

Guidelines for Mathematical Sciences Courses

Statistics is required for nursing majors and meets the QuEST requirement for Mathematical Sciences.

Students with Advanced Placement credit:

Requirements for courses in mathematical sciences can be met through Advanced Placement exam credit. Students who have taken AP exams in calculus, computer science, or statistics can learn [here](#) how credit is awarded for your scores.

8-semester plan Nursing (B.S.N)

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
First Year – Fall			First Year - Spring		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3	COMM 105	Oral Communications*	3
CHEM 103	Chemical Science*	4	Varies	2 nd level language*	3
BIOL 185	Human Anatomy & Physiology I*	4	IDCR 151	Created & Called for Community*	3
PSYC 101 <u>or</u> SOC1 101 <u>or</u> HDFS 101	Intro to Psychology * <u>or</u> Principles of Sociology * <u>or</u> Foundations of Marriage and Family * (one of these only)	3	BIOL 189	Genetics for Health Professions	3
Varies	1 st level language*	3	BIOL 186	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
			WELL 1xx	Wellness course*	1
TOTAL		17	TOTAL		17
Sophomore –Fall			Sophomore – Spring		
Varies	Lang/Cross Cultural/Non Western*	3	Varies	Art, Music, Theatre or Dance*	3
BIOL 382	Microbiology for Health Professionals	4	NURS 303	Pathophysiology	3
BIBL 20x	Bible*	3	NURS 211	Foundations of Nursing Practice	3
PSYC 209	Life Span Development	3	NURS 210	Health Assessment	3
NURS 203	Historical & Conceptual Basis for Nursing	3	NUTR 222	Nutrition Theory	3
TOTAL		16	TOTAL		15
Junior – Fall			Junior – Spring		
PHIL/RELI xxx	Philosophy/Religion*	3	STAT 269	Introductory Statistics*	3
HIST XXX	US or European History *	3	NURS 312	Nursing Care of Adults & Older Adults II	4
NURS 304	Pharmacology	3	NURS 313	Nursing Care of Infants, Children, and Adolescents	4
NURS 311	Nursing Care of Adults & Older Adults	4	NURS 305	Nursing Research I	2
NURS 310	Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family	4	ENGL xxx	Literature*	3
TOTAL		17	TOTAL		16
Senior – Fall			Senior – Spring		
varies	Worldviews/Pluralism/Ethics*	3	NURS 495	Senior Practicum—International <u>or</u> Local (J- term only)	3
NURS 410	Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	4	NURS 413	Leadership in Nursing	3
NURS 411	Nursing Care of the Critically Ill	4	NURS 412	Community Health Nursing	4
NURS 405	Nursing Research II	2	NURS 496	Senior Seminar	3
THEO xxx	Christian Beliefs*	3			
TOTAL		16	TOTAL		13

*QuEST requirement