

**First Semester Blueprint
Department of Nursing**

When planning your first semester...

- All first-year students are required to take First Year Seminar during their first term. Each section focuses on a different topic for students to explore.
- Science labs meet approximately three hours once a week. As you arrange your class schedule, consider the meeting times of labs first, then design the rest of your schedule around them.
- We strongly suggest you take only one of the required 4 credit lab science courses during your first semester. We recommend BIOL 185 in the first-year fall and CHEM 103 in the second-year fall semester. If you have already satisfied BIOL 185, then register for CHEM 103. If you are planning to study abroad in the fall of sophomore year, you should consider taking both CHEM 103 and BIOL 185 in the first-year fall semester. If you choose to only take one lab science course in the first-year fall, it may require you to take a summer lab science course in order to stay on track.
- Students who have earned AP, CLEP, or IB credit should refer to the information provided here: [AP, CLEP, IB Credit](#).
- You can view the most up-to-date version of the schedule of classes by accessing [The View](#).

The Nursing department will host three optional pre-registration advising sessions via Zoom in the days leading up to new student registration. These meetings will focus on how incoming students can best prepare for fall courses in their area of study. Sessions will be held May 27 and May 29 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. (EDT) and May 30 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (EDT). The Zoom link is <https://messiah.zoom.us/j/9652975297>.

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The First Semester Blueprint is your guide to course registration in your first semester. Click on the Nursing major to view the recommended courses (developed by your faculty) for your first semester at Messiah.

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| Students MUST register for the following courses: | | <u>Credits</u> |
| IDFY 101 | First Year Seminar | 3 |
| BIOL 185 | Human Anatomy and Physiology I AND | 4 |
| BIOL 185L | Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab | 0 |
| Students MAY register for the follow course if the conditions apply : | | |
| CHEM 103* | Chemical Science AND | 4 |
| | Chemical Science Lab | |
| CHEM 103L* | *Only take CHEM 103/CHEM 103L if you have already satisfied the BIOL 185/BIOL 185L requirement or if you are planning to study abroad in sophomore fall semester | 0 |
| Students SHOULD register for ONE of the following courses: | | |
| PSYC 101 | Introduction to Psychology OR | 3 |
| SOAN 101 | Introduction to Sociology OR | 3 |
| HDFS 101 | Foundations of Marriage and Family | 3 |

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| Select from the following General Education options to complete your schedule: | <u>Credits</u> |
| COMM 105 (24 GE: Oral Communication) | 3 |
| ENGL 110 (24GE: Written Communication) | 3 |
| Language Course (24GE: Language, CHIN, FREN, GERM, SPAN) | 3 |
| Literature/Arts** (24GE: Literature & Aesthetic Ways of Knowing) | 3 |

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| Recommended total credits your first semester: | 13-16 credits |
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Specific major-related questions may be directed to Dr. Kristen Slabaugh at kslabaugh@messiah.edu or 717-691-6029.