Nursing - R.N. to M.S.N. Option (B.S.N./M.S.N.)

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An accelerated program culminating in the Bachelor’s degree while preparing the student who applies for and is accepted to graduate studies. Available MSN tracks include Nursing Leadership & Management, Nursing Education, and Nurse Practitioner. A separate application to Graduate Studies is required to continue beyond the Bachelor’s degree. Admission to graduate studies is limited access and not guaranteed. Nine graduate level credit hours from the RN to MSN program are applied to both the BSN and MSN degrees. Most classes are available online. In person attendance is required for NGR 5003L.

Admission Requirements
- Acceptance to the university does not constitute admission to the RN-MSN program. Separate application to this limited access program must be made. Contact the College of Nursing or visit our website at http://www.nursing.ucf.edu for application materials.
- Applicants must meet the following criteria:
  - Graduate of a state-approved or accredited associate degree or diploma nursing program
  - Licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN)
  - Completion of UCF general education requirements or an AA degree from a Florida College System institution.
  - Completion of prerequisites for the RN to BSN nursing program
  - Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. (all prior college coursework)
  - Admitted to UCF undergraduate program
Interim Requirements:
- Maintain a Nursing GPA of 3.0

Admission Requirements for Graduate Program Phase:
- These requirements should be met one semester before the BSN is awarded.
- Application to and acceptance by UCF Graduate Studies (see Graduate Studies Web site for deadlines)
- Completion of all UCF College of Nursing coursework to date with a minimum GPA of 3.0

Degree Requirements
- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog year, including minors.
- Students should consult with a college advisor or Florida College System AA transfer advisor regarding completion of General Education requirements and the Common Program Prerequisites.
- Students should consult with an advisor in the College of Nursing Undergraduate Student Services Office for clarification of questions regarding prerequisite requirements.
- The courses designated in sections 1 and 2 below may be taken at a Florida College System or State University System institution.
- UCF Residency Requirement: 30 hours
- The BSN is awarded after completion of 120 hours including 30 hours of specified program requirements.
- The MSN is awarded after completion of graduate program.

The courses designated in sections 1 (General Education) and 2 (Common Program Prerequisites) should be completed in the first 60 hours.

An individualized plan of study is developed for each student admitted to the RN to MSN option.

1. UCF General Education Program (GEP) (36 hrs)
   A: Communication Foundations (9 hrs)
   - Required ENC 1101 Composition I 3 hrs
   - Required ENC 1102 Composition II 3 hrs
   - Prefer SPC 1608 Fundamentals of Oral Communication 3 hrs

   B: Cultural & Historical Foundations (9 hrs)
   - Prefer MAC 1105C College Algebra 3 hrs
   - Required STA 2014C Principles of Statistics 3 hrs

   C: Mathematical Foundations (6 hrs)
   - Prefer MAC 2311C Calculus I 6 hrs

   D: Social Foundations (6 hrs)
   Select 1: 3 hrs
   - Prefer SYG 2000 Introduction to Sociology or 3 hrs
   - Prefer PSY 2012 General Psychology 3 hrs

   Select 1: 3 hrs
   - Prefer ECO 2013 Principles of Macroeconomics or 3 hrs
   - Prefer ECO 2023 Principles of Microeconomics or 3 hrs
   - Prefer POS 2041 American National Government 3 hrs

   1 One of these courses is required to meet General Education requirements.

2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP) (18 hrs)
- See “Common Prerequisites” in the Transfer and Transitions Services section for more information.
- MCB 2004C Microbiology for Health Professionals 4 hrs
- 1 CHM 1032 General Chemistry 3 hrs
- 2 ZOO 3733C Human Anatomy 4 hrs
- 2 PCB 3703C Human Physiology 4 hrs
- HUN 3011 Human Nutrition 3 hrs

   Select 1: 3 hrs
   - STA 2014C Principles of Statistics or 3 hrs
   - STA 2023 Statistical Methods I 3 hrs

   Select 1: 3 hrs
   - SOW 3104 Human Behavior and the Social Environment I or 3 hrs
   - DEP 2004C Developmental Psychology 3 hrs

   Select 1: 3 hrs
   - PSY 2012 General Psychology or 3 hrs
   - SYG 2000 Introduction to Sociology or 3 hrs

   1 Or other approved science. Science Foundation is 6 credit hours for General Education Program. The BSC course is needed as a course prerequisite for Anatomy and Physiology and Health Microbiology. Chemistry is needed as a course prerequisite for Nutrition (HUN 3011), Physiology, and Microbiology

3. Core Requirements: Basic Level
- None

4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (30 hrs)
- NUR 3616 Health Promotion Across the Lifespan 2 hrs
- NUR 3805 Dimensions of Professional Nursing Practice 3 hrs
- NUR 3165 Nursing Research 3 hrs
- NUR 4837 Health Care Issues, Policy, and Economics 3 hrs
- NUR 4604L Practicum in Community and Public Health 4 hrs
- NUR 4637 Public and Community Health Nursing 3 hrs

1 Prefer  POS 2041 American National Government 3 hrs
2 Other approved science. Also meets General Education Requirements; applicants should see a UCF Nursing Advisor for possible course substitutions.
3 May take Anatomy and Physiology sequence of six-eight total credits. Also meets General Education Requirements; applicants should see a UCF Nursing Advisor for possible course substitutions.
## Accelerated Undergraduate-Graduate Programs

### NURSE EDUCATOR / CLINICAL NURSE LEADER TRACKS
- Take the following 12 credits (nine graduate credits also applied to MSN):
  - **NGR 5003** Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning and 2 hrs
  - **NGR 5003L** Advanced Health Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning (Lab) and 1 hr
  - **NGR 5141** Pathophysiological Bases for Advanced Nursing Practice and 3 hrs
  - **NUR 4828** Nursing Leadership, Management and Role Transition and 3 hrs
  - **NGR 5800** Theory for Advanced Practice Nursing 3 hrs

### NURSING LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT TRACK
- Takes the following 12 credits (nine graduate credits also applied to MSN):
  - **NGR 5720** Organizational Dynamics and 3 hrs
  - **NGR 5871** Health Care Informatics and 3 hrs
  - **NGR 5800** Theory for Advanced Practice Nursing and 3 hrs
  - **NUR 3065** Health Assessment and 2 hrs
  - **NUR 3065L** Health Assessment Lab 1 hr

1 On campus attendance required.

### 5. Restricted Electives
#### Upper Division Credit
- May be met by validation and RN License.
  - **NUR 3028** Essentials of Nursing Practice 3 hrs
  - **NUR 3028L** Essentials of Nursing Practice Lab 1 hr
  - **NUR 3225** Nursing Care of the Adult I 3 hrs
  - **NUR 3225L** Nursing Care of the Adult I: Clinical Practice 2 hrs
  - **NUR 3445** Nursing Care of Families 4 hrs
  - **NUR 3445L** Nursing Care of Families Clinical 2 hrs
  - **NUR 3755L** Essentials of Nursing Practice Clinical 2 hrs
  - **NUR 4227** Nursing Care of the Adult II 4 hrs
  - **NUR 4227L** Nursing Care of the Adult II: Clinical Practice 3 hrs
  - **NUR 4535** Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing 3 hrs
  - **NUR 4535L** Psychiatric Mental Health Clinical 2 hrs

### 6. Capstone Requirements
- None

### 7. Foreign Language Requirements
#### Admissions
- Two years of one foreign language in high school, or one year of one foreign language in college (or equivalent proficiency exam).
#### Graduation
- None

### 8. Electives
- Variable to meet degree requirements.

### 9. Additional Requirements
- A criminal background check and mandatory Drug Screening may be required prior to any clinical course and "on demand" for continuation in the program.

### 10. Required Minors
- None

### 11. Departmental Exit Requirements
- Completion of all courses in major with a grade of “B” (3.0) or better
- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above
- College of Nursing GPA of 2.5 or above

### 12. University Minimum Exit Requirements
- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

### Total Undergraduate Hours Required
- 120

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**Honors In Major**
- Contact CON HIM Advisor or Program Coordinator

**Related Programs**
- Health Services Administration

**Certificates**
- Aging Studies

**Related Minors**
- Psychology
- Health Sciences
- Health Services Administration
- Health Information Management

**Advising Notes**
- Students are required to design an individual plan of study with an advisor. Any changes to that plan must be made in consultation with the advisor. Failure to do so may result in a delay of program progression and/or graduation.

**Transfer Notes**
- A maximum of 6 upper division credit hours of Nursing courses may be transferred from another institution.

**Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses**
- None

**Shared Courses**
- None

**Graduate Courses Link**
- None

**Program Academic Learning Compacts**
- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at: [http://www.o eas.ucf.edu/academiclearningcompacts.html](http://www.o eas.ucf.edu/academiclearningcompacts.html)

**Equipment Fees**
- Part-Time Student: $25 per term
- Full-Time Student: $50 per term