



# School of Nursing

# RN-BSN and RN-MSN Programs for Registered Nurses

College of Health and Human Sciences

## NURSING COURSES

### Required

NURS 3139-Concept. Basis of Nursing	3
NURS 3130-Critical Inquiry-Nurs. Research	3
NURS 3230-HLTH Assessment/Lifespan	3
NURS 3231-Pharm./Other Thera. Mod <b>OR</b>	
NURS 4132-Complementary Thera. Modalities	3
NURS 4133-Complex Nursing Concepts	3
NURS 4137-Comm. HLTH. Nurs. HP VII	3
NURS 4327-Comm. Health Pract. VII	2
NURS 4138-Nurs. Leadership/Mgt.:HP VIII	3
NURS 4738-Nursing Leadership-Pract. VIII	3
NURS 4229-HP: Critical Analysis/Nurs.Conc.	2
Free Elective	3
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS EARNED</b>	<b>31</b>

### Credit awarded for the following courses after successful completion of 6 hours of Georgia Southern University Nursing courses.

NURS 3131-Therapeutic Interv: HP I	3
NURS 3331-Therapeutic Inter. Pract I	3
NURS 3142-Nurs. Care of Adults: HP II	4
NURS 3342-Adult HP: Practicum II	4
NURS 3133-Mental HLTH Nurs: HP III	3
NURS 3323-Mental HLTH HP: Practicum III	2
NURS 4134-Nurs. Care of Dev. Fam: HP IV	3
NURS 4324-Dev. Fam HP: Pract. IV	2
NURS 4135-Nur. Of Children HP V	3
NURS 4325-Child HP: Practicum V	2
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS AWARDED</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>TOTAL NURSING SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS FOR DEGREE</b>	<b>120</b>

## RN-MSN PROGRAM

Graduates of associate degree or diploma programs who choose the RN-MSN Program must meet all the RN-BSN requirements and complete all undergraduate course work (up to 14 semester hours less than RN-BSN students, depending on graduate nursing major). The students must gain admission to the College of Graduate Studies and Regular or Provisional admission to the MSN Program.

### **RN-MSN Admission Policies**

A student must gain Regular or Provisional Degree-seeking status admission to the MSN program to be eligible to enroll in graduate nursing courses. Non-degree seeking students are not permitted to enroll in graduate nursing courses with the exception of students formally admitted to the Post-MSN certificate tracks.

### **Admission to Regular Degree-Seeking Status:**

Minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (on 4.0 scale) **plus one option below:**

**Minimum** Miller Analogy Test (MAT) of 402

**Minimum** verbal 450 and minimum 450 on Quantitative or Analytical on Graduate Record Examination (GRE) taken prior to October 1, 2002.

**Minimum** Verbal and Quantitative of 450 and minimum Writing level of 4 on GRE taken after October 1, 2002.

**Admission to Provisional Degree-Seeking Status:** Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.7 (on 4.0 scale) **plus one option below:**

Minimum Miller Analogy Test (MAT) of 389

**Minimum** Verbal 450 and minimum 350 on Quantitative or Analytical on Graduate Record Examination (GRE) taken prior to October 1, 2002.

**Minimum** Verbal and Quantitative of 400; Writing Level of 3 on GRE taken after October 1, 2002

## Undergraduate Nursing Courses RN-MSN

### **RN-MSN Students / NP Majors are required to take the following undergraduate nursing courses.**

NURS 3139- Conceptual Basis of Nursing	3
NURS 4137- Comm. Hth. Nurs. HP VII	3
NURS 4327-Comm. Health Pract. VII	2
NURS 4138-Nurs. Leadership/Mgt.: HP VIII	3
NURS 4738-Nursing Leadership-Pract. VIII	3
Free Elective	3
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>17</b>

### **RN-MSN Students / CNS Majors are required to take the following undergraduate nursing courses.**

NURS 3139- Conceptual Basis of Nursing	3
NURS 4133-Complex Nursing Concepts	3
NURS 4137- Comm. Hth. Nurs. HP VII	3
NURS 4132-Complementary Thera. Modalities	3
NURS 4327-Comm. Health Pract. VII	2
NURS 4138-Nurs. Leadership/Mgt.: HP VIII	3
NURS 4738-Nursing Leadership-Pract. VIII	3
Free Elective	3
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>23</b>

### **Graduate nursing courses may substitute for the following undergraduate nursing courses (based on graduate major requirements).**

NURS 3230-HLTH Assessment/Lifespan 1	3
NURS 3231-Pharm./Other Thera. Mod2	3
NURS 3130-Critical Inquiry-Nurs. Research 3	3
NURS 4133-Complex Nursing Concepts 4	3
NURS 4229-HP: Critical Analysis/Nurs. Conc.	2
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>14</b>

### **Substitute Graduate Nursing Courses**

1 NURS 5230/5210 Adv. Health Assessment (4)
2 NURS 6135 Pharmacotherapeutics (3)
3 NURS 6140 Applied Research & Theory (4)
4 NURS 6133 Hlth Care Org. & Policy (3)

### **Credit will be awarded for the following courses after successful completion of 6 hours of GSU nursing courses.**

NURS 3131-Therapeutic Interv: HP I	3
NURS 3331-Therapeutic Interv: Pract I	3
NURS 3142-Nurs. Care of Adults: HP II	4
NURS 3342-Adult HP: Practicum II	4
NURS 3133-Mental HLTH Nurs: HP III	3
NURS 3323-Mental HLTH HP: Practicum III	2
NURS 4134-Nurs. Care of Dev. Fam: HP IV	3
NURS 4324-Dev. Fam. HP: Pract. IV	2
NURS 4135-Nur. Of Children HP V	3
NURS 4325-Child HP: Practicum V	2
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS AWARDED</b>	<b>29</b>

### **UNDERGRADUATE SEMESTER HOURS REDUCED BY RN-MSN ROUTE TO MSN DEGREE\***

Family Nurse Practitioner	14
Women's Health Nurse Practitioner	14
Community Health Clinical Nurse Specialist	8

Contact the RN-BSN office (912/681-5994) for information & application to the RN-MSN Program. The Directors of the RN-BSN and MSN Programs work in combination with students to develop their programs of study. Contact the MSN office (912/681-0017) for specific information about the MSN Majors.

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## SCHOOL OF NURSING

Georgia Southern University's School of Nursing offers degree programs at the baccalaureate and graduate levels. The nursing faculty is committed to helping meet the nursing care needs of the underserved rural population of the region by providing high quality nursing education programs. The nursing faculty stresses health promotion as the central concept of the curriculum. Caring is a thread throughout the curriculum as it is the essence of nursing. The School of Nursing programs incorporate high academic and ethical standards and a caring environment for students.

## RN-BSN PROGRAM - ONLINE

Registered nurses who wish to obtain their Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree may do so in a part or full-time RN-BSN Continuation Program. The undergraduate nursing program at Georgia Southern is approved by the Georgia Board of Nursing, and both the undergraduate and graduate programs are CCNE accredited. Courses are offered via the **internet**. Students are allowed to complete their non-nursing course work at institutions close to their places of employment. Faculty advisors work with students on a regular basis to help them plan their matriculation.

### Admission to the Program\*

Requirements for admission into the program are based on requirements in place at the time of application. In order to be considered, applicants must have:

- Attained admission to Georgia Southern University;
- Earned an Associate Degree or Diploma in Nursing from an accredited institution;
- Proof of current Georgia RN license;
- Earned a minimum of 45 semester hours of college credit;
- Requested official transcript(s) for all college course work attempted and assured that the transcripts have been received in the University's Admissions Office;
- Achieved a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on all attempted hours in core curriculum in areas A-F. Those students who hold a B. A. or B.S. degree must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 for all course work. (Provisional admission with a 2.7 GPA is available; students admitted on a provisional status must earn a GPA of 3.0 for the first 6 hours of nursing courses).
- Returned the completed nursing application to the School;
- Participated in the School of Nursing Orientation.

In addition, before admission to the nursing courses applicants must have:

- After admission, met School of Nursing clinical requirements including:
  - (a) physical examination and health history,
  - (b) immunization requirements including measles, rubella, hepatitis B, (see School of Nursing Student Handbook for specific details),
  - (c) tuberculosis screening (PPD)
  - (d) current American Heart Association CPR for Health Care Professionals certification
  - (e) professional liability insurance,
  - (f) proof of approved health insurance;
- Visualization of existing license (for applicants who hold a current valid health professional license, e.g. RN, LPN, EMT, RT, RD).

**\*These requirements are subject to revision.**

### Progression Requirements

Progression requirements are the same as the prelicensure students except that the School endorses the Georgia Articulation Plan; **students who satisfactorily complete 6 semester hours of nursing course work will be awarded 29 semester hours for junior and senior level courses.**

### Curriculum

#### GSU CORE (OR SUBSTITUTE)

ENGL 1101-Comp. I	3
ENGL 1102-Comp. II	3
MATH 1111/1113/1441-Algebra, Pre-calculus	3
HIST 1112-World Hist II	3
IDS 2210-Turning Points and Connections	3
ENGL 2111/2112-World Literature Elective (Area C)	3
CHEM 1140-Gen/Organic Chem	4
BIOL 1230	3
BIOL 1210 Lab	1
Elective (Area D)	3
ECON 2105-Global Economics	3
HIST 2110-The United States: Comprehensive Survey	3
POLS 1101-American Government	3
Elective (Area E)	3
<b>TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS</b>	<b>42</b>

#### COURSES REQUIRED FOR THE MAJOR

KINS 2531 Anatomy and Physiology	3
KINS 2511 Lab	1
KINS 2532 Anatomy and Physiology II	3
KINS 2512 Lab	1
BIOL 2240 Microbiology	4
CHFD 2137 Lifespan Growth/Development	3
STAT 2231-Introduction to Statistics	3

(NTFS 2535 Nutrition & Diet Therapy (3) recommended if statistics is taken as Area D elective.)

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 18**

**TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS FOR CORE AND COURSES REQUIRED FOR THE MAJOR 60**

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