

Arkansas State University
College of Nursing and Health Professions
Bachelor of Science in Nursing
2025-2026 Plan of Study

Students requiring developmental course work based on low entrance exam scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS) may not be able to complete this program of study in eight (8) semesters. Students having completed college level courses prior to enrollment will be assisted by their advisor in making appropriate substitutions. A minimum of 122 credit hours, of which 40 hours must be upper division credit (3000-4000 level), is required for this degree (developmental courses are excluded). Mandatory state and institutional assessment exams will be required during your degree program. **Failure to participate in required assessments may delay graduation.**

Year 1				Year 1			
Semester 1				Semester 2			
Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed	Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
ENG 1003	Composition I	3	X	ENG 1013	Composition II	3	X
MATH 1023	College Algebra	3	X	BIO 2223	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3	
BIO 2203	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	X	BIO 2221	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1	
BIO 2201	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	X	HIST 2763 or HIST 2773 or POSC 2103	US History to 1876 or US History since 1876 or US Government	3	X
NRS 1123	Making Connections Nursing (FYE)	3	X	Art 2503 or Mus 2503 or Thea 2503	Fine Arts Fine Arts Visual or Fine Arts Musical or Fine Arts Theatre	3	X
PSY 2013	Intro to Psychology	3	X	SOC 2213	Introduction to Sociology	3	X
Total Hours		16		Total Hours		16	
Year 2				Year 2			
Semester 3				Semester 4			
Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed	Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
CHEM 1043	Fundamental Concepts of Chemistry I	3	X	BIO 2103	Microbiology for Nursing and Health Professions	3	X
CHEM 1041	Fund. Concepts of Chemistry I Lab	1	X	BIO 2101	Microbiology for Nursing and Health Professions Lab	1	X
NRS 2313	Concepts of Nursing	3		NRS 2002	Medical Surgical Nursing I	2	
NRS 2322	Foundations of Nursing	2		NRSP 2003	Nursing Practicum I	3	
NRSP 2321	Foundations of Nursing Practicum	1					
NRS 2392	Health Assessment	2		NRS 3463	Patho-Based Pharmacology I	3	
NRSP 2391	Health Assessment Practicum	1		NRS 2012	Professional Role Development	2	
NRS 2342	Nursing Calculations and Terminology	2					
Total Hours		15		Total Hours		14	

Year 3

Semester 5				Semester 6			
Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed	Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
	Statistics-any three hour course	3		NRS 3312	Intro to Nursing Research	2	
NRS 3103	Medical Surgical Nursing II	3		NRS 3205	Medical Surgical Nursing III	5	
NRS 3422	Essentials of Mental Health Nursing	2		NRSP 3205	Nursing Practicum III	5	
NRSP 3105	Nursing Practicum II	5		ENG 2003 <u>or</u> ENG 2013 <u>or</u> PHIL 1103	Humanities World Literature to 1660 <u>or</u> World Literature since 1660 <u>or</u> Intro to Philosophy	3	X
NRS 3473	Patho-Based Pharmacology II	3					
Total Hours		16		Total Hours		15	
Year 4				Year 4			
Semester 7				Semester 8			
Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed	Course No.	Course Name	Hrs	Gen Ed
NRS 4005	Medical Surgical Nursing IV	5		NRS 4343	Professional Nursing: Community	3	
NRS 4012	Essentials of Obstetric Nursing	2		NRS 4542	Health Care Administration	2	
NRSP 4006	Nursing Practicum IV	6		NRS 4022	Essentials of Pediatric Nursing	2	
ENG 2003 <u>or</u> ENG 2013 <u>or</u> PHIL 1103 <u>or</u> ART 2503 <u>or</u> MUS 2503 <u>or</u> THEA 2503	Fine Arts or Humanities World Literature to 1660 <u>or</u> World Literature since 1660 <u>or</u> Intro to Philosophy <u>or</u> Fine Arts Visual <u>or</u> Fine Arts Musical <u>or</u> Fine Arts Theatre (select course not previously taken)	3	X	NRS 4481	Critical Decision Making and Testing Competencies in Nursing	1	
				NRSP 4016	Nursing Practicum V	6	
Total Hours		16		Total Hours		14	

Total JR/SR Hours

55

Total Degree Hours

122

*Please see the current [Undergraduate Bulletin](#) for Graduation Requirements.