BACHELOR of SCIENCE in NURSING RN TO BSN(#596)
Full-time Option

School of Nursing

College of Health and Human Services

Western Kentucky University

The following four-year plan is an example of how to map your program in consultation with your faculty advisor. Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected.

(First Two Years would involve completion of Associate Degree with a major in Nursing at WKU or another accredited institution and completion of courses to meet KY general education requirements. These requirements must include a statistics course. You must be general education certified from your prior community college for this plan to work. If completing the Associate of Science in Nursing degree at WKU, please see your advisor regarding Colonnade requirements. Additionally, students must maintain a 2.5 or above GPA.)

Success Markers	SAMPLE - academic plan
FIRST YEAR	**First Year**
Make sure you take KY general education (30 hours) during your first two years	Complete appropriate first-year courses to earn associate degree with a major in Nursing from an accredited college or university.
SECOND YEAR	**Second Year**
Earn Associate Degree in Nursing. *Complete application for the RN to BSN program by designated deadline.*	Complete appropriate second-year courses to earn associate degree with a major in Nursing from an accredited college or university. Complete courses to meet KY general education requirements. You must be KY general education certified from your prior community college for this plan to work. These requirements must also include a statistics course. Students who are not general education certified (30 hours) will have to complete courses to fulfill the WKU Colonnade program (39 hours) and demonstrate World Language Proficiency (see WKU Colonnade program for details). See notes below regarding Colonnade and world language requirements.

Summer Term	Summer Term	
	NURS 309 Health Assessment	3
	NURS 315 Concepts of Pharmacology	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:	6

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THIRD YEAR	First Semester		Second Semester	
(FIRST and SECOND SEMESTERS in WKU RN to BSN Program)	NURS 323 Concepts/Professional Nursing	2	NURS 430 Concepts of Public Health Nursing	4
	NURS 321 Transcultural Nursing	2	NURS 431 Application of Public Health Nursing	2
	NURS 339 Care of the High Acuity Patient	3	NURS 412 Nursing Research	3
May be admitted for Fall or Spring cohorts. Semester sequence can begin in Fall or Spring.	NURS 340 Teaching and Health Promotion	3	NURS 408 Professional Issues	3
	NURS 400 Nursing Leadership and Management	3	NURS 405 Nursing Informatics	2
	NURS 300 Concepts of Disease Process (course may be challenged)	3		
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	**16**	**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS**	**14**

Total Credit Hours: 67 credit hours (36 upper division nursing courses and 31 nursing credits from prior nursing programs). Total credit hours may vary depending on Associate Degree requirements and general education credits. Must meet WKU's requirements for graduation.

Total Credit Hours for Degree: minimum of 120 (credit hours for major, additional general education credit hours as needed, and transfer credit hours).

* Denotes prerequisite courses before program admission

World Language Proficiency: All students entering in Fall 2014 or later must demonstrate proficiency in a world language at the Novice High level before completing 60 credit hours. Novice high is the ability to communicate in writing and speaking on familiar topics in simple sentences. For more information go to www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/.

Colonnade Plan: All students entering in fall 2014 or later must complete 39 hours in 13 specific Colonnade areas. Colonnade areas are listed in parentheses marked in blue after the corresponding classes. Some areas may have specific course requirements while others can be chosen from selected lists of options. For more details and to see lists of options, go to http://www.wku.edu/colonnade/documents/approved_colonnade_courses_website.pdf

***Students who complete and Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree from a KCTCS college or who are general education certified from any Kentucky state university or community-technical college will have met all World Language and Colonnade requirements. Contact the Transfer Center at 270-745-2178 for information on world language and Colonnade requirements for transfer students.

For more Information: **Department:** School of Nursing
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Course Descriptions: http://www.wku.edu/undergraduatecatalog/

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