



# Nursing, BS

**Department:** Nursing and Allied Health Professions  
**College:** [Health and Human Services](#)  
**Website:** <http://www.iup.edu/rn-alliedhealth/undergrad/nursing-majors/>  
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**Accreditation:** Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.cneaccreditation.org>).

**Program Description:** The nursing curriculum has as its primary goal the development of professional nurse generalists who are liberally educated, clinically competent, and aware of their social responsibilities as health professionals. The program is designed to provide a broad background in liberal education coupled with the specialized knowledge and skills required for professional nursing practice. Additionally, the curriculum prepares the nurse to practice within the professional code of nursing ethics, to function effectively as a member of the health care team, and to utilize scientific principles in planning, implementing, and evaluating health care. The nursing curriculum emphasizes concepts in primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention of health problems.

**Career Opportunities:** There are numerous employment opportunities nationwide for today's professional nurse.

- Nurses can be employed in hospitals/acute care settings.
- Nurses can be employed in areas such as medical surgical, obstetrics, oncology, psychology/mental health, critical care, and emergency/trauma centers.
- There are also various opportunities in the community such as home health care, dialysis, forensic and prison health services/facilities, school health centers, and shelters.
- The average salary for an RN employed on a full-time basis in Pennsylvania is \$74,170.

**Student Organizations:** Sigma Theta Tau-International Honor Society of Nurses; Student Nurses Association of Pennsylvania (SNAP)-members are involved in current legislative nursing issues, social and service projects, informative programs, and opportunities for interaction with nursing majors across the state and country; Alpha Tau Delta (ATD) -national professional fraternity for nurses, promotes academic, professional, and social growth; Nurse's Christian Fellowship (NCF)-professional organization and a ministry for nurses and nursing students; American Assembly for Men in Nursing (AAMN) - the mission is to provide a framework for nurses, as a group, to meet, discuss and influence factors which affect men as nurses; Class Officers-may run for class office and are responsible for planning and organizing group activities and fundraising projects; Student Advisory Committee-any student can attend Student Advisory meetings, but each class will only have two elected voting members.

**Experiential Learning:** Students are enrolled in clinical practice in areas such as hospitals/acute care settings, community/home health care settings, and schools. IUP affiliates include Indiana Regional Medical Center, Conemaugh Memorial, Penn Highlands Dubois, Excelsa Health Latrobe, Excelsa Health Westmoreland, UPMC, West Penn Hospital, Windber Hospital, Armstrong Hospital, Visiting Nurses Association, St. Andrews Village, Scenery Hill, and other facilities in the area.





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## Four-year Course Sequencing

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Freshman Year: Last name begins with A-L					
Fall			Spring		
Course	Course Description	Credits	Course	Course Description	Credits
CHEM 103	Intro to Chemistry for Health Sciences	4	CHEM 255	Biochemistry for Health Sciences	3
• ENGL 101	Composition I	3	BIOL 240	Human Physiology	4
BIOL 150	Human Anatomy	4	PSYC 101	General Psychology (SS)	3
* Fine Arts (LS)	Art/Music/Theater/Dance	3	• HIST 196/197/198	History Requirement	3
			• XXX 143	Dimensions in Wellness (KHSS/FDNT/NURS)	3
<b>Total Fall</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>Total Spring</b>		<b>16</b>

Freshman Year: Last name begins with M-Z					
Course	Course Description	Credits	Course	Course Description	Credits
CHEM 103	Intro to Chemistry for Health Sciences	4	CHEM 255	Biochemistry for Health Sciences	3
• ENGL 101	Composition I	3	BIOL 150	Human Anatomy	4
* Social Science Elective (GMA)		3	PSYC 101	General Psychology (SS)	3
• Fine Arts	Art/Music/Dance/Theater	3	• HIST 196/197/198	History Requirement	3
			• XXX 143	Dimensions in Wellness (KHSS/FDNT/NURS)	3
<b>Total Fall</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>Total Spring</b>		<b>16</b>

• These courses must be completed during the Freshman year.

Sophomore Year: Last name begins with A-L					
Course	Course Description	Credits	Course	Course Description	Credits
BIOL 241	Intro to Medical Micro	4	*Social Science Elective (GMA)		3
PSYC 215	Developmental Psychology	3	ENGL 202	Composition II	3
MATH 217	Probability and Statistics	3	FDNT 212	Nutrition	3
NURS 212	Fundamentals I Theory	3	NURS 236	Fundamentals II Theory	3
NURS 211	Fundamentals I Clinical	1	NURS 214	Health Assessment	3
			NURS 213	Fundamentals II Clinical	1
<b>Total Fall</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>Total Spring</b>		<b>16</b>

Sophomore Year: Last name begins with M-Z					
Course	Course Description	Credits	Course	Course Description	Credits
BIOL 240	Human Physiology	4	BIOL 241	Intro to Medical Micro	4
PSYC 310	Developmental Psychology	3	ENGL 202	Composition II	3
MATH 217	Probability and Statistics	3	FDNT 212	Nutrition	3
NURS 212	Fundamentals I Theory	3	NURS 236	Fundamentals II Theory	3
NURS 211	Fundamentals I Clinical	1	NURS 214	Health Assessment	3
			NURS 213	Fundamentals II Clinical	1
<b>Total Fall</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>Total Spring</b>		<b>17</b>

Junior Year (60-89.9 CREDIT HOURS)					
Course	Course Description	Credits	Course	Course Description	Credits
NURS 316	Evidence Based Practice in Nursing	3	▫ NURS 330	Care of Child and Family	2
▫ NURS 336	Adult Health I	4	▫ NURS 331	Care of Child and Family Clinical	2
▫ NURS 337	Adult Health I Clinical	5	▫ NURS 332	Maternal-Neonate Health	2
SOC 151/161	Principles of Sociology (SS)	3	▫ NURS 333	Maternal-Neonate Health Clinical	2
			NURS 312	Professional Nursing	2
			ENGL 121	Humanities Literature	3
			Free Elective		3
<b>Total Fall</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total Spring</b>		<b>16</b>

• NURS 336/337 and NURS 330/331/332/333 may be taken either semester

Senior Year (90 and up CREDIT HOURS)					
Course	Course Description	Credits	Course	Course Description	Credits
▫ NURS 412	Nursing Management	3	▫ NURS 432	Psychiatric/Mental Health	2
▫ NURS 436	Adult Health II	4	▫ NURS 434	Public/Community Nursing	2
▫ NURS 437	Adult Health II Clinical	2.5	▫ NURS 431	Public/Community Nursing Clinical	2
▫ NURS 440	Nursing Management Clinical	2.5	▫ NURS 433	Psychiatric/Mental Health Clinical	2
Philosophy/Religious Studies		3	NURS 450	A Cognitive Approach to Clinical Problem Solving or Elective	3
			Free Elective		3
<b>Total Fall</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total Spring</b>		<b>14</b>

• NURS 412/436/437/440 must be taken in the same semester either fall or spring.

• NURS 432/433 and/or NURS 434/431 must be taken as either 4 or 8 credit blocks in the same semester either fall or spring.



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## Summary of Requirements

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### Liberal Studies (43 credits)

Course	Credits	Grade
<b>Learning Skills: English Composition (6 credits)</b>		
ENG 101 Composition	3	
ENGL 202 Composition II	3	

<b>Learning Skills: Mathematics (3 credits)</b>		
MATH 217 Probability and Statistics	3	

<b>Humanities (9 credits)</b>		
HIST 196 or 197 or 198	3	
ENGL 121 Humanities Literature	3	
PHIL/RLST Select one from the course list	3	

<b>Fine Arts (3 credits)</b>		
Select one from the list	3	

<b>Natural Sciences (7 credits)</b>		
CHEM 103 Chemistry for Health Sciences with lab	4	
CHEM 255 Biochemistry for Health Sciences	3	

<b>Social Sciences (9 credits)</b>		
PSYC 101 General Psychology	3	
SOC 151/161 Principles of Sociology (SS)	3	
Select a GMA from the course list	3	

<b>Dimensions of Wellness (3 credits)</b>		
Select from the list of 143 courses	3	

<b>Liberal Studies Elective (3 credits)</b>		
PSYC 215 Developmental Psychology	3	

Writing Intensive requirement is built into the program

**Additional Information:** Students seeking a minor must make application in the department where the minor is housed. For more details about the application process and for more information regarding a minor, please consult with the Chairperson of that department.

Categories	Totals
Liberal Studies	43
Nursing Major	53-56
Other Requirements	15
Free Electives (depends on exemption from NURS 450)	6-9
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>120</b>

### Nursing Core Requirements (53-56 credits)

Course	Credits	Grade
NURS 211 Fundamentals I Clinical	1	
NURS 212 Fundamentals I Theory	3	
NURS 213 Fundamentals II Clinical	1	
NURS 214 Health Assessment	3	
NURS 236 Fundamentals II Theory	3	
NURS 312 Professional Nursing	2	
NURS 316 Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	3	
NURS 330 Care of Child and Family	2	
NURS 331 Care of Child and Family Clinical	2	
NURS 332 Maternal-Neonate Health	2	
NURS 333 Maternal-Neonate Health Clinical	2	
NURS 336 Adult Health I	4	
NURS 337 Adult Health I Clinical	5	
NURS 412 Nursing Management	3	
NURS 436 Adult Health II	4	
NURS 437 Adult Health II Clinical	2.5	
NURS 440 Nursing Management Clinical	2.5	
NURS 431 Public/Community Nursing Clinical	2	
NURS 432 Psychiatric Mental Health	2	
NURS 433 Psychiatric Mental Health Clinical	2	
NURS 434 Public/Community Nursing	2	
NURS 450 Cognitive Approach to Clinical Problem Solving (may be exempt based on test score)	0-3	

<b>Other Requirements (15 Credits)</b>		
BIOL 150 Human Anatomy	4	
BIOL 240 Human Physiology	4	
BIOL 241 Intro to Medical Microbiology	4	
FDNT 212 Nutrition	3	

**NOTES:** Military Science 101 & 102 may be substituted for Health and Wellness (3)  
 The social science elective cannot have the PSYC or SOC prefix.  
 The social science elective must meet the 3-credit global/multicultural awareness requirement.

- [Global/Multicultural](#), 3 credits required but can be met with the Social Science elective; talk with your advisor.
- [Review Degree Works](#) for your progress toward the degree