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About the College

Mission

Transforming Healthcare, transforming lives. Creating the nursing leaders of tomorrow and the research that improves health.

Vision

USF College of Nursing will be nationally recognized for cutting-edge educational programs and innovative research in partnership with communities and interprofessional colleagues.

Values

Respect, Integrity, Diversity, Excellence, Innovation, Partnership.

Accreditation

The baccalaureate program at the University of South Florida is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington DC 20036, 202-887-6791. The program is approved by the Florida State Board of Nursing. Graduates of the Upper Division and Accelerated Second Bachelor's Degree sequences are eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) Registered Nurse qualifying exam. Graduates may apply for licensure in Florida or other states. Successful undergraduates have the educational background necessary for graduate study in nursing.

Admission Requirements

In addition to University admission requirements (please see catalog for admission requirements to the University), the College of Nursing has additional admission requirements for each sequence. Please review admission requirements for the specific sequence to which you are applying.

College-Level Requirements

The College of Nursing is a limited access college and uses selective criteria for the admission of students. Any student who applies to the undergraduate program in the College of Nursing is initially coded as "pre-nursing" prior to official acceptance to the College of Nursing. Final admission to all Nursing programs is conditional upon passing a Level 2 background check.

Background Checks, Fingerprinting, Drug Testing and Immunizations

All students who are admitted to the College of Nursing are required to complete a Background Check, Immunization Verification, and Drug Screening for the College of Nursing via CertifiedProfile.com.

- The requirements are as follows: MMR, Varicella, Hepatitis B, Documentation of a Tdap booster, TB skin test, CPR certification from the American Heart Association, and a flu shot.
- All requirements must be completed by the first week of class.
- The CertifiedProfile account must be created with a USF Health email address, which is only available to students who have been admitted to the College of Nursing.
- Final admission to all Nursing sequences is conditional upon passing a Level 2 background check. Students who do not pass the level 2 background check will not be refunded the cost by either the college or CertifiedProfile

For CertifiedProfile.com questions please contact the CertifiedProfile Service Desk at (888) 914-7279 or cp servicedesk@certifiedprofile.com.

Grading & Progression Policy

In addition to the University's policies on progression, The College of Nursing holds a progression policy for all students within the nursing undergraduate program. Students admitted to all nursing sequences at The College of Nursing are required to earn a minimum grade of C in didactic courses and an S in lab/clinical courses. Progression in the sequences is based on GPA, course content and overall performance in lab/clinical. Failure to meet the grade minimum may result in dismissal from the College.

For further information on progression and grading policies, please visit the College of Nursing Handbook: http://health.usf.edu/nocms/nursing/pdfs/Baccalaureate_Handbook.pdf.

Following are the undergraduate academic programs offered by the College of Nursing:

Bachelor of Science (B.S.)

- Nursing: Accelerated Second Bachelor's Degree Sequence (SBN)
- Nursing: RN to Bachelor's Sequence (NRN)
- Nursing: Upper Division Sequence (NUR)
- Nursing: VCARE (VCA)

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Undergraduate Advising Information

Advising for the College of Nursing is available for Pre-Nursing and admitted nursing students at the USF Health Wellness, Engagement, Leadership & Learning (W.E.L.L.) building (MDA) located at 12901 Bruce B. Downs Blvd, MDC 22, Tampa, FL 33612-4766. The College of Nursing Student Affairs Office is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM weekdays and closed on University holidays. You may schedule an appointment to meet with an advisor by scheduling online via <http://usfweb3.usf.edu/appointments/StudentSignon.asp> or by contacting The Student Affairs Office at (813) 974-2191. During peak registration times walk-in advising may be offered, check with your advisor for availability of walk-in advising.

COLLEGE OF NURSING ADVISING INFORMATION

Major	Advisor	Email	URL
Undergraduate Student Affairs	Katherine McCay	kmccay@health.usf.edu	http://health.usf.edu/nursing/advising/undergrad.htm
Upper Division, Second Degree, VCARE Admitted Pre-Licensure Nursing Students	Maikelyn Lopez	mlopez21@health.usf.edu	http://health.usf.edu/nursing/advising/undergrad.htm
RN to Bachelor's Sequence Licensed Pre-Nursing & Admitted RN's	Julie Tierson	jtieron@health.usf.edu	http://health.usf.edu/nursing/advising/undergrad.htm
RN to Bachelor's Sequence Licensed Pre-Nursing & Admitted RN's only.	Dewenise Rivera	riversa3@health.usf.edu	http://health.usf.edu/nursing/advising/undergrad.htm
Pre-Nursing Pre-Nursing Sophomores, Juniors or Second Bachelors Students (NON-Freshmen & NON-RN)	Kirsten Manzi	KirstenManzi@health.usf.edu	http://health.usf.edu/nursing/advising/undergrad.htm
Pre-Nursing Pre-Nursing Freshmen, C.A.R.E., Pre-Nursing Living Learning Community	Gregory Wance	gwance@health.usf.edu	http://health.usf.edu/nursing/advising/undergrad.htm

In order to schedule a meeting with an advisor in this college, please use [escheduler](#).

• B.S. - NURSING: ACCELERATED SECOND BACHELOR'S DEGREE SEQUENCE (SBN) (CIP = 51.3801) TOTAL DEGREE HOURS: 62

<http://health.usf.edu/nursing/academics/second-degree/admissions.html>

The **Accelerated Second Bachelor's Degree** (SBN) sequence is for students who have a baccalaureate degree in another field and a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.00. Students with an awarded bachelor's degree and who have completed all the Nursing prerequisite courses may be considered for admission into the Second Bachelor's Degree sequence; upon completion, students will earn a second bachelor's degree.

LIMITED ACCESS - THIS MAJOR HAS ADDITIONAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS AS LISTED IN THIS SECTION.

This is a full-time, limited access program, as mandated by the State, and is structured sequentially. Admission is competitive. Any student who applies to the undergraduate program in the College of Nursing is initially coded as "Pre-Nursing" prior to official acceptance to the College of Nursing.

Admissions Requirements:

- Admission to the University of South Florida (Tampa Campus).
- Completion of the first bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution by the published application deadline for the intended term of entry.
- Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on all undergraduate work
- Completion of seven of the eight Nursing prerequisite courses by the published application deadline for the intended term of entry.
 - Note: Any outstanding Nursing prerequisite courses must be completed by the program start date, with a minimum grade of C or better, while maintaining a cumulative GPA greater than or equal to 3.0.
- If selected, an interview with College of Nursing faculty.

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- Students have the option to take NUR 3125 Pathophysiology in either the summer or spring semester prior to admission. Students must have all prerequisite courses completed prior to taking NUR 3125.

If a student receives a grade less than a C in any two prerequisite courses while declared as Pre-Nursing, the student will be required to select another major at the University of South Florida. Grade forgiveness will not apply to the mandated requirement of changing the major. In addition, if a student does not meet the minimum GPA requirement to be eligible to apply for admission following 60 completed hours and all prerequisite courses attempted, the student will be required to select another major at the University of South Florida.

STATE MANDATED COMMON COURSE PREREQUISITES

The University's Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirements and College of Nursing's prerequisite/support courses may be completed through the A.A. degree from a Florida College System institution. If a student wishes to transfer without an A.A. degree and has fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, the student must meet the university's entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements. The A.A. degree satisfies admission requirements only if courses are carefully selected and include the required major prerequisite/support courses.

The College of Nursing requires certain courses within the Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirement for the natural, social and behavioral sciences, and mathematics. Students must complete the prerequisite courses listed below prior to being admitted to the Second Bachelor's Degree sequence except those students in the C.A.R.E. program. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

All courses not approved by the Florida State Course Numbering System (includes all Florida public colleges, universities, and College System institutions) used to satisfy these prerequisite requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

BSC X085C Human Anatomy & Physiology I or any Human Anatomy & Physiology I course, 4 semester hours
BSC X086C Human Anatomy & Physiology II or any Human Anatomy & Physiology II course, 4 semester hours
CHM, BSC, PHY, PCB, BCH XXXX Any Chemistry, Biology, Physics, or Biochemistry course, 3 semester hours
DEP X004 Human Growth & Development or any Human Growth & Development course, 3 semester hours
HUN X201 Human Nutrition or any Human Nutrition course **OR** NUR 1192, 3 semester hours
MCB X010C Microbiology or Any Microbiology course, 4 semester hours
PSY, SYG, or SOP XXXX Any Psychology, Sociology, or Social Psychology course, 3 semester hours
STA X014 Statistics or any Statistics course, 3 semester hours

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR IN NURSING: ACCELERATED SECOND BACHELOR'S DEGREE SEQUENCE

TOTAL MAJOR HOURS: 62

Major requirements for the B.S. Degree:

Major Core (62 hours)

NUR 3026 Patient Centered Care: Essentials of the Nursing Practice
NUR 3026L Patient Centered Care: Essentials of the Nursing Practice Clinical
NUR 3027L Patient Centered Care: Essentials of the Nursing Practice Lab
NUR 3066 Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span
NUR 3066L Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span Lab
NUR 3125 Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice
NUR 3145 Pharmacology in Nursing Practice
NUR 3225 Complex Health Nursing I
NUR 3225L Complex Health Nursing Clinical I
NUR 3825 Introduction to the Profession of Nursing
NUR 4165 Evidence-Based Practice
NUR 4227 Complex Health Nursing II
NUR 4227L Complex Health Nursing II Clinical
NUR 4467 Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families
NUR 4467L Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families Clinical
NUR 4535 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
NUR 4535L Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing Clinical
NUR 4635 Public Health Nursing
NUR 4635L Public Health Nursing Clinical
NUR 4827 Role Transition and Leadership in Nursing
NUR 4888 Coordination of Care in Nursing

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NUR 4948L Preceptorship

Students have the option to take NUR 3125 Pathophysiology in either the summer or spring semester prior to admission. Students must have all prerequisite courses completed prior to taking NUR 3125.

Semester Plan

The schedule that follows indicates the required courses for this degree program and the recommended sequence of registration for full-time students. Note: Items that are critical are marked with a "!" and are included in the plan for a student to stay on track.

		Semester 1	Credit Hours
	!	<u>NUR 3125</u> Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	3
	!	<u>NUR 3066</u> Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span	2
	!	<u>NUR 3066L</u> Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span Lab	1
	!	<u>NUR 3825</u> Introduction to the Profession of Nursing	2
		<u>NUR 3026</u> Patient Centered Care: Essentials of Nursing Practice	3
		<u>NUR 3026L</u> Patient Centered Care: Essentials of Nursing Practice Clinical	2
	!	<u>NUR 3027L</u> Patient Centered Care: Essentials of Nursing Practice Lab	1
		Semester Hours:	14
		Summer	Credit Hours
	!	<u>NUR 3145</u> Pharmacology in Nursing Practice	3
	!	<u>NUR 3225</u> Complex Health Nursing I	3
	!	<u>NUR 3225L</u> Complex Health Nursing Clinical I	3
	!	<u>NUR 4467</u> Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families	4
	!	<u>NUR 4467L</u> Nursing Care of Women, Children and Families Clinical	3
		Semester Hours:	16
Semester 2	Credit Hours	Semester 3	Credit Hours
!	3	!	3
		!	3
!	2	!	2
!	2	!	6
!	4		
!	4	Semester Hours:	14
!	3		
	18		

GPA Requirements

Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on all undergraduate work.

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Course Grade Requirement

All Nursing courses must be passed with a C or better in didactic and an S in clinical.

Grading Requirement

All Nursing courses must be passed with a C or better in didactic and an S in clinical.

Please refer to the USF College of Nursing Student Handbook for grade and progression requirements.

Accelerated second bachelor's sequence students who receive a grade below a C in didactic or an S in clinical of any required nursing course will not be permitted to continue in the accelerated sequence. If allowed to continue in the program, the student must progress through the upper-division sequence, providing space and appropriate clinical placement is available.

Research Opportunities

All undergraduate students in any degree program can participate in undergraduate research. There are a number of options to receive academic credit for a mentored research experience and to have the experience show on the official transcript. Students who wish to enroll in an undergraduate research course should consult with their academic advisor to understand how the credit will apply towards the degree requirements. If no credit is needed, students may be eligible to enroll in the 0-credit IDS 2912, IDS 4914 or IDH 4910 courses. These courses will not impact degree credits or GPA but will show on an official transcript and document the experience. The Office for Undergraduate Research will assist students in understanding the various course options.

• B.S. - NURSING: RN TO BACHELOR'S SEQUENCE (NRN) (CIP = 51.3801) TOTAL DEGREE HOURS: 120

<http://health.usf.edu/nursing/academics/rnbs/>

The **RN to BS** (NRN) sequence is for students currently licensed to practice as a Registered Nurse. The RN to BS option allows an RN with a diploma or an associate's degree in nursing from a regionally accredited school to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Nursing.

LIMITED ACCESS - THIS MAJOR HAS ADDITIONAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS AS LISTED IN THIS SECTION.

The College of Nursing is a limited access program. Any student who applies to the undergraduate program in the College of Nursing is initially coded as "pre-nursing" prior to official acceptance to the College of Nursing.

Admissions Requirements:

- Admission to the University of South Florida (Tampa Campus).
- Associate degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited institution. Nursing diplomas from a School of Nursing will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- An overall GPA of 2.50 or higher on all undergraduate work (excluding Associate of Science Nursing courses).
- Must reside in the state of Florida with evidence of current Florida RN licensure in good standing. (Exemption: Those who reside in the state of Pennsylvania.)
- The College of Nursing requires completion of the following courses prior to application:
 - ENC 1101 English Composition I
 - ENC 1102 English Composition II
- RN Credit Validation – Per the state articulation agreement, Nursing course credit hours earned for the ASN will be validated for credit based on successful competency demonstration upon enrollment.

STATE MANDATED COMMON COURSE PREREQUISITES

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The College of Nursing requires certain courses within the Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirement for the natural, social and behavioral sciences, and mathematics. Students must complete the prerequisite courses listed below prior to being admitted to the RN to Bachelor's sequence except those students in the C.A.R.E. program. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

All courses not approved by the Florida State Course Numbering System (includes all Florida public colleges, universities, and College System institutions) used to satisfy these prerequisite requirements will be evaluated

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individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

- BSC X085C Human Anatomy & Physiology I or any Human Anatomy & Physiology I course, 4 semester hours
- BSC X086C Human Anatomy & Physiology II or any Human Anatomy & Physiology II course, 4 semester hours
- CHM, BSC, PHY, PCB, BCH XXXX Any Chemistry, Biology, Physics, or Biochemistry course, 3 semester hours
- DEP X004 Human Growth & Development or any Human Growth & Development course, 3 semester hours
- HUN X201 Human Nutrition or any Human Nutrition course **OR** NUR 1192, 3 semester hours
- MCB X010C Microbiology or Any Microbiology course, 4 semester hours
- PSY, SYG, or SOP XXXX Any Psychology, Sociology, or Social Psychology course, 3 semester hours
- STA X014 Statistics or any Statistics course, 3 semester hours

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR IN NURSING: RN TO BACHELOR'S SEQUENCE

TOTAL MAJOR HOURS: 30

Major requirements for the B.S. Degree:

Major Core (15 hours)

- NUR 3805 Nursing as a Profession
- NUR 3078 Information Technology Skills for Nurses
- NUR 4895 Educational Role of the Nurse in Healthcare
- NUR 4828C Foundations of Nursing Healthcare Leadership & Management
- NUR 4169C Evidence-Based Practice for Baccalaureate Prepared Nurse
- NUR 4634C Population Health

Major Electives (15 hours)

Students select one of three clusters during the second semester. The three clusters are Clinical Practice, Education, and Leadership. Students must complete at least two courses from the selected cluster. Remaining credits may be selected from any cluster. Please contact an academic advisor in Nursing for required cluster courses.

Cluster/Elective course availability will vary semester to semester and may include, and are not limited to:

- NSP 3147 Web-Based Education for Staff Development
- NSP 3640 Introduction to Military & Veteran Healthcare
- NSP 3880 Foundations of Healthcare QI & Patient Safety
- NSP 4148 Simulation for Nursing Practice
- NSP 4485 An Interdisciplinary Perspective on HIV
- NSP 4545 Substance Abuse Across the Lifespan
- NSP 4614 Preventative Cardiology for Healthcare Professionals
- NSP 4855 Skills for Nursing Staff Development Educator
- NSP 4881 Healthcare Human Resources Systems & Strategies
- NSP 4886 Team Strategies for Improving Healthcare and Patient Safety
- NUR 3678 Nursing Healthcare for Vulnerable Populations
- NUR 3826 Ethical/Legal Aspects of Nursing & Health Care
- NUR 4069 Health Assessment for Registered Nurses
- NUR 4128 Pathophysiology/Pharmacology
- NUR 4795 Cancer Symptom Management
- NUR 4850 Fundamentals of Healthcare Finance for RNs

Semester Plan

The schedule that follows indicates the required courses for this degree program and the recommended sequence of registration for full-time students. Note: Items that are critical are marked with a "!" and are included in the plan for a student to stay on track.

Semester 1	Credit Hours	Semester 2	Credit Hours
<u>NUR 3078</u> Information Technology Skills for Nurses	1	<u>NUR 4828C</u> Foundations of Healthcare Leadership & Management	3
<u>NUR 4895</u> Educational Role of the Nurse in Healthcare	3	NUR/NSP Cluster Nursing Elective (Clinical, Education or Leadership/Management)	3
<u>NUR 3805</u> Nursing as a Profession	2		
Semester Hours:	6	Semester Hours:	6

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Summer		Credit Hours
NUR 4169C Evidence-Based Practice for Bacc Prepared Nurse		3
NUR/NSP Cluster Nursing Elective (Clinical, Education or Leadership/Management)		3
	Semester Hours:	6

Semester 3	Credit Hours	Semester 4	Credit Hours
NUR/NSP Cluster Nursing Elective (Clinical, Education or Leadership/Management)	3	NUR/NSP Cluster Nursing Elective (Clinical, Education or Leadership/Management)	3
NUR/NSP Cluster Nursing Elective (Clinical, Education or Leadership/Management)	3	<u>NUR 4634C</u> Population Health	3
	Semester Hours:	Semester Hours:	6
	6		

GPA Requirements

Minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA on all undergraduate coursework.

Grading Requirement

All Nursing courses must be passed with a C or better in didactic/lecture and an S in clinical.

Other Requirements

All students must meet USF's residency and degree requirements.

Research Opportunities

All undergraduate students in any degree program can participate in undergraduate research. There are a number of options to receive academic credit for a mentored research experience and to have the experience show on the official transcript. Students who wish to enroll in an undergraduate research course should consult with their academic advisor to understand how the credit will apply towards the degree requirements. If no credit is needed, students may be eligible to enroll in the 0-credit IDS 2912, IDS 4914 or IDH 4910 courses. These courses will not impact degree credits or GPA but will show on an official transcript and document the experience. The Office for Undergraduate Research will assist students in understanding the various course options.

• B.S. - NURSING: UPPER DIVISION SEQUENCE (NUR) (CIP = 51.3801) TOTAL DEGREE HOURS: 120

<http://health.usf.edu/nursing/academics/upper-division/admissions.html>

The **Upper Division** (NUR) sequence is for students who have completed all nursing prerequisite courses and have a minimum GPA of 3.20.

Notice: This curriculum is for all students admitted into the Upper Division Sequence starting in Fall 2017. Students admitted prior to Fall 2017 will follow the appropriate admission year plan.

LIMITED ACCESS - THIS MAJOR HAS ADDITIONAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS AS LISTED IN THIS SECTION.

This is a full-time limited access program, as mandated by the state, and is structured sequentially. Admission is competitive. Any student who applies to the undergraduate program at the College of Nursing is initially coded as "Pre-Nursing" prior to official acceptance to the College of Nursing.

C.A.R.E. (Creating Access to RN Education) sequence is a special program developed for the first time in college (FTIC) students. Requirements for consideration are a minimum 3.8 cumulative weighted high school grade point average and a combined score of at least 1360 on the SAT or a composite score of at least a 29 on the ACT. To maintain C.A.R.E. status pre-nursing students must maintain a 3.60 GPA and a minimum grade of C (3.0 GPA) in all state mandated prerequisite courses

Admissions Requirements:

- Admission to the University of South Florida (Tampa Campus).
- Completed application to the College of Nursing prior to the published deadline for the intended term of entry.
- Minimum 3.20 cumulative GPA on all undergraduate work.
- Completion of seven of the eight Nursing prerequisite courses by the published application deadline for the

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intended term of entry.

- Note: Any outstanding Nursing prerequisite courses must be completed by the program start date, with a minimum grade of C or better, while maintaining a cumulative GPA greater than or equal to 3.0.
- Completion of English Composition I, English Composition II, and the State Computation Requirement (formerly known as Gordon Rule Math) by the published application deadline.
- Completion of the University's Foreign Language Entrance Requirement (FLENT) and University Foundations of Knowledge and Learning (FKL) Core Curriculum (General Education) requirements by the intended term of entry.

If a student receives a grade less than a C in any two prerequisite courses while declared as Pre-Nursing, the student will be required to select another major at the University of South Florida. Grade forgiveness will not apply to the mandated requirement of changing the major. In addition, if a student does not meet the minimum GPA requirement to be eligible to apply for admission following 60 completed hours and all prerequisite courses attempted, the student will be required to select another major at the University of South Florida.

STATE MANDATED COMMON COURSE PREREQUISITES

The state-mandated nursing common pre-requisites are required to be completed before the published application deadline for the intended term of entry. A grade of 'C' or better is required.

The University's Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirements and College of Nursing's prerequisite/support courses may be completed through the A.A. degree from a Florida College System institution. If a student wishes to transfer without an A.A. degree and has fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, the student must meet the university's entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements. The A.A. degree satisfies admission requirements only if courses are carefully selected and include the required major prerequisite/support courses.

The College of Nursing requires certain courses within the Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirement for the natural, social and behavioral sciences, and mathematics. Students must complete the prerequisite courses listed below prior to being admitted to the Upper Division sequence except those students in the C.A.R.E. program. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

All courses not approved by the Florida State Course Numbering System (includes all Florida public colleges, universities, and College System institutions) used to satisfy these prerequisite requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

- BSC X085C Human Anatomy & Physiology I or any Human Anatomy & Physiology I course, 4 semester hours
- BSC X086C Human Anatomy & Physiology II or any Human Anatomy & Physiology II course, 4 semester hours
- CHM, BSC, PHY, PCB, BCH XXXX Any Chemistry, Biology, Physics, or Biochemistry course, 3 semester hours
- DEP X004 Human Growth & Development or any Human Growth & Development course, 3 semester hours
- HUN X201 Human Nutrition or any Human Nutrition course **OR** NUR 1192, 3 semester hours
- MCB X010C Microbiology or Any Microbiology course, 4 semester hours
- PSY, SYG, or SOP XXXX Any Psychology, Sociology, or Social Psychology course, 3 semester hours
- STA X014 Statistics or any Statistics course, 3 semester hours

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR IN NURSING: UPPER DIVISION SEQUENCE

TOTAL MAJOR HOURS: 68

Major requirements for the B.S. Degree:

Major Core (68 hours)

- NUR 3026 Patient Centered Care: Essentials of the Nursing Practice
- NUR 3026L Patient Centered Care: Essentials of the Nursing Practice Clinical
- NUR 3027L Patient Centered Care: Essentials of the Nursing Practice Lab
- NUR 3066 Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span
- NUR 3066L Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span Lab
- NUR 3125 Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice
- NUR 3145 Pharmacology in Nursing Practice
- NUR 3225 Complex Health Nursing I
- NUR 3225L Complex Health Nursing I Clinical
- NUR 3825 Introduction to the Profession of Nursing
- NUR 4165 Evidence-Based Practice
- NUR 4227 Complex Health Nursing II
- NUR 4227L Complex Health Nursing Clinical II
- NUR 4285 Healthy Aging: Nursing Care of Older Adults

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NUR 4467 Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families
 NUR 4467L Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families Clinical
 NUR 4535 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
 NUR 4535L Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing Clinical
 NUR 4635 Public Health Nursing
 NUR 4635L Public Health Nursing Clinical
 NUR 4827 Role Transition and Leadership in Nursing
 NUR 4888 Coordination of Care in Nursing
 NUR 4937 Nursing Seminar
 NUR 4948L Preceptorship

Eight Semester Plan

The schedule that follows indicates the required courses for this degree program and the recommended sequence of registration for full-time students. Note: Items that are critical are marked with a "!" and are included in the plan for a student to stay on track.

Semester 1	Credit Hours	Semester 2	Credit Hours
! <u>ENC 1101</u> Composition I	3	! <u>BSC 2086</u> Anatomy and Physiology II for Nursing and other Healthcare Professionals	3
! <u>BSC 2085</u> Anatomy and Physiology I for Health Professionals	3		
! <u>BSC 2085L</u> Anatomy and Physiology Lab I for Nursing and other Healthcare Professionals	1	! <u>ENC 1102</u> Composition II	3
! <u>MAC 1105</u> or <u>MGF 1106</u> or Other GR Math	3	! <u>STA 2023</u> or <u>STA 2122</u>	3
! PSY, SYG, or SOP XXXX Any Psychology, Sociology, or Social Psychology course. PSY 2012 or SYG 2000 is strong recommended to meet General Education Core Social Sciences.	3	! <u>BSC 2086L</u> Anatomy and Physiology Lab II for Nursing and other Healthcare Professionals	1
		<u>DEP 2004</u> The Life Cycle	3
		Semester Hours:	13
Semester Hours:	13		

Summer

Summer Opportunities

Semester 3	Credit Hours	Semester 4	Credit Hours
! <u>HUN 2201</u> Nutrition	3	<u>CAFA</u> FKL/Gen Ed Fine Arts	3
! Any three credit class in Chemistry, Biology, Biochemistry, or Physics (3) - (CHMXXXX, BCHXXXX, BSCXXXX, PHYXXXX, or PCBXXXX)	3	<u>CAGC</u> FKL/Gen Ed Human and Cultural Diversity in a Global Context	3
! <u>MCB 2000</u> Microbiology for Nursing and other Healthcare Professionals	3	<u>CAHU</u> FKL/Gen Ed Humanities	3
! <u>MCB 2000L</u> Microbiology Lab for Nursing and other Healthcare Professionals	1	<u>SGEH</u> General Education Core Humanities	3
<u>CASB</u> FKL/Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences	3	Semester Hours:	12
Semester Hours:	13		

Summer

Summer Opportunities

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Semester 5		Credit Hours	Semester 6		Credit Hours
!	<u>NUR 3125</u> Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	3	!	<u>NUR 3145</u> Pharmacology in Nursing Practice	3
!	<u>NUR 3825</u> Introduction to the Profession of Nursing	2	!	<u>NUR 3225</u> Complex Health Nursing I	3
!	<u>NUR 3066</u> Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span	2	!	<u>NUR 3225L</u> Complex Health Nursing Clinical I	4
!	<u>NUR 3066L</u> Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span Lab	1	!	<u>NUR 4467</u> Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families	4
!	<u>NUR 3026</u> Patient Centered Care: Essentials of Nursing Practice	3	!	<u>NUR 4467L</u> Nursing Care of Women, Children and Families Clinical	3
!	<u>NUR 3026L</u> Patient Centered Care: Essentials of Nursing Practice Clinical	2	Semester Hours:		17
!	<u>NUR 3027L</u> Patient Centered Care: Essentials of Nursing Practice Lab	1			
Semester Hours:		14			

Summer		Credit Hours
!	<u>NUR 4535</u> Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	3
!	<u>NUR 4535L</u> Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Clinical	2
!	<u>NUR 4285</u> Healthy Aging: Nursing Care of Older Adults	2
!	<u>NUR 4165</u> Evidence-Based Practice	3
Semester Hours:		10

Semester 7		Credit Hours	Semester 8		Credit Hours
!	<u>NUR 4227</u> Complex Health Nursing II	4	!	<u>NUR 4935</u> Telehealth (Optional)	1
!	<u>NUR 4227L</u> Complex Health Nursing Clinical II	4	!	<u>NUR 4635</u> Public Health Nursing	3
!	<u>NUR 4888</u> Coordination of Care in Nursing	2	!	<u>NUR 4635L</u> Public Health Nursing Clinical	3
!	<u>NUR 4937</u> Nursing Seminar	3	!	<u>NUR 4827</u> Role Transition and Leadership in Nursing	2
Semester Hours:		13	!	<u>NUR 4948L</u> Preceptorship	6
			Apply for Graduation		
			Semester Hours:		15

GPA Requirements

Minimum 3.20 cumulative GPA on all undergraduate work. Required prerequisite course grades may be weighted.

Course Grade Requirement

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• B.S. - NURSING: VCARE (VCA) (CIP = 51.3801) TOTAL DEGREE HOURS: 120

<http://health.usf.edu/nursing/academics/vcare/>

The VCARE sequence is for students who have U.S. Army Medic, U.S. Air Force Medic, or U.S. Navy Corpsman training and experience and minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00.

LIMITED ACCESS - THIS MAJOR HAS ADDITIONAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS AS LISTED IN THIS SECTION.

This is a full-time limited access program, as mandated by the state, and is structured sequentially. Admission is competitive.

Admission Requirements

- Admission to the University of South Florida (Tampa Campus).
- Completed application to the College of Nursing prior to the published deadline for the intended term of entry.
- Applicants must have U.S. Army Medic, U.S. Air Force Medic, or U.S. Navy Corpsman training and experience to be a candidate for the V-CARE sequence.
- Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on all undergraduate work.
- Completion of the Nursing prerequisite courses by the published application deadline for the intended term of entry.
 - Students who do not have all prerequisite courses completed by the Fall admission cycle may be eligible for conditional admission.
 - Note: Any outstanding Nursing prerequisite courses must be completed by the program start date, with a minimum grade of C or better, while maintaining a cumulative GPA greater than or equal to 3.0.
- Completion of English Composition I, English Composition II, and the State Computation Requirement (formerly known as Gordon Rule Math) by the published application deadline.
- If selected, an interview with College of Nursing faculty.
- Completion of the University's Foreign Language Entrance Requirement (FLENT) and University Foundations of Knowledge and Learning (FKL) Core Curriculum (General Education) requirements by the intended term of entry.

STATE MANDATED COMMON COURSE PREREQUISITES

The state-mandated nursing common pre-requisites are required to be completed before the published application deadline for the intended term of entry. A grade of 'C' or better is required while maintaining a cumulative GPA equal to or greater than 3.0.

The University's Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirements and College of Nursing's prerequisite/support courses may be completed through the A.A. degree from a Florida College System institution. If a student wishes to transfer without an A.A. degree and has fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, the student must meet the university's entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements. The A.A. degree satisfies admission requirements only if courses are carefully selected and include the required major prerequisite/support courses.

The College of Nursing requires certain courses within the Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum (General Education) requirement for the natural, social and behavioral sciences, and mathematics. Students must complete the prerequisite courses listed below prior to being admitted to the VCARE sequence except those students in the C.A.R.E. program. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher.

All courses not approved by the Florida State Course Numbering System (includes all Florida public colleges, universities, and College System institutions) used to satisfy these prerequisite requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment

- BSC X085C Human Anatomy & Physiology I or any Human Anatomy & Physiology I course, 4 semester hours
- BSC X086C Human Anatomy & Physiology II or any Human Anatomy & Physiology II course, 4 semester hours
- CHM, BSC, PHY, PCB, BCH XXXX Any Chemistry, Biology, Physics, or Biochemistry course, 3 semester hours
- DEP X004 Human Growth & Development or any Human Growth & Development course, 3 semester hours
- HUN X201 Human Nutrition or any Human Nutrition course **OR** NUR 1192, 3 semester hours
- MCB X010C Microbiology or Any Microbiology course, 4 semester hours
- PSY, SYG, or SOP XXXX Any Psychology, Sociology, or Social Psychology course, 3 semester hours
- STA X014 Statistics or any Statistics course, 3 semester hours

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REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR IN NURSING: VCARE

TOTAL MAJOR HOURS: 56

Major requirements for the B.S. Degree:

Major Core (56 hours)

NUR 3066L Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span Lab
 NUR 3081 Bridge to Professional Nursing
 NUR 3081L Bridge to Professional Nursing Practice
 NUR 3125 Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice
 NUR 3145 Pharmacology in Nursing Practice
 NUR 3225 Complex Health Nursing I
 NUR 3225L Complex Health Nursing I Clinical
 NUR 4165 Evidence-Based Practice
 NUR 4227 Complex Health Nursing II
 NUR 4227L Complex Health Nursing II Clinical
 NUR 4285 Healthy Aging: Nursing Care of Older Adults
 NUR 4467 Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families
 NUR 4467L Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families Clinical
 NUR 4535 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
 NUR 4535L Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing Clinical
 NUR 4635 Public Health Nursing
 NUR 4635L Public Health Nursing Clinical
 NUR 4827 Role Transition and Leadership in Nursing
 NUR 4888 Coordination of Care in Nursing
 NUR 4948L Preceptorship

Semester Plan

The schedule that follows indicates the required courses for this degree program and the recommended sequence of registration for full-time students. Note: Items that are critical are marked with a "!" and are included in the plan for a student to stay on track.

Semester 1	Credit Hours	Semester 2	Credit Hours
! <u>NUR 3125</u> Pathophysiology for Nursing Practice	3	! <u>NUR 4467</u> Nursing Care of Women, Children, and Families	4
! <u>NUR 3145</u> Pharmacology in Nursing Practice	3	! NUR 3225 Complex Health Nursing I	3
! <u>NUR 3081</u> Bridge to Professional Nursing	4	! <u>NUR 3225L</u> Complex Health Nursing Clinical I	3
! <u>NUR 3081L</u> Bridge to Professional Nursing Practice	2	! NUR 4467L Nursing Care of Women, Children and Families Clinical	3
! <u>NUR 3066L</u> Health Assessment, Wellness, and Prevention Across the Life Span Lab	1	! <u>NUR 4165</u> Evidence-Based Practice	3
		Semester Hours:	16
Semester Hours:	13		

Summer	Credit Hours
! NUR 4535 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	3
! NUR 4535L Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Clinical	2
! NUR 4227 Complex Health Nursing II	4
! NUR 4227L Complex Health Nursing Clinical II	3
! <u>NUR 4285</u> Healthy Aging: Nursing Care of Older Adults	2
Semester Hours:	14

Semester 3 **Credit Hours**

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! <u>NUR 4888</u> Coordination of Care in Nursing	2
! NUR 4635 Public Health Nursing	3
! NUR 4635L Public Health Nursing Clinical	1
! NUR 4827 Role Transition and Leadership in Nursing	2
! <u>NUR 4948L</u> Preceptorship Apply for Graduation	5
Semester Hours:	13

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