

NURSING MAJOR (BSN TRADITIONAL)

The pre-licensure baccalaureate nursing track is designed to prepare graduates to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) and to enter the nursing profession as a generalist in a variety of care settings, serving culturally diverse clients of all ages in an ever-changing, dynamic health care context. Learning takes place in a variety of settings including; the classroom, simulation laboratory, and supervised clinical practice experiences to ensure students have a solid foundation for practice. Students will gain an understanding of leadership, advocacy, collaboration, and evidence-based practice concepts that will allow them to impact patient outcomes positively.

Admissions Criteria

- Students must have completed at least 48 credits before enrolling in the nursing program*
- Hold a cumulative college GPA of 3.00.
- Hold a 3.0 GPA of combined science prerequisites (microbiology, human anatomy and physiology I and II, and chemistry for health sciences).
- Complete the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam with a minimum score of 65% within a year prior to your application to the nursing program (only two attempts allowed per year).
- Complete prerequisites with the required letter grade (C or higher), within the time limit, and meet the prerequisite course repetition policy.
- Demonstrate English language proficiency: Applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency via examination if (1) English is not their native language, and (2) the applicant has lived in the United States fewer than eight years at the time of application to the nursing program.
- Upon conditional acceptance to the nursing program, clear a criminal background check and complete additional clinical compliance requirements prior to full admission to the nursing program.
- An applicant denied admission to the CSP nursing program may reapply once. An application denied admission twice should not reapply as the application will not be reviewed for a third time.
- Students who have completed nursing courses toward a pre-licensure program at another college or university must submit recommendation letters from two nursing faculty at their previous institution. Nursing coursework taken at previous institutions will not transfer into CSP's nursing program.

General Education Requirements

All degree seeking undergraduate students must complete the general education (<http://catalog.csp.edu/archive/2021-2022/undergraduate/academic-information/general-education-requirements/>) requirements.

Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Science (<http://catalog.csp.edu/archive/2021-2022/undergraduate/academic-information/graduation-requirements/#bs>) degree consists of a major of typically 45 to 60 credits, general education courses, and elective courses totaling a minimum of 120 credits.

Code	Title	Credits
Prerequisites (must be completed prior to starting the nursing program) ¹		
BIO 315	Human Anatomy and Physiology I ⁴	4
BIO 316	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIO 300	Microbiology	4
CHE 105	Chemistry for Health Sciences (4)	
COM 309	Intercultural Communication ³ (4)	
MAT 165	Quantitative Reasoning for Health Care Professionals (3)	
PSY 230	Lifespan Developmental Psychology	4
Required ^{1, 2}		
NUR 376	Applied Pathophysiology	3
NUR 378	Pharmacology in Nursing	4
NUR 380	Fundamentals of Professional Nursing	6
NUR 382	Health Promotion and Assessment	3
NUR 384	Behavioral Health Nursing	4
NUR 388	Population Health	5
NUR 390	Nursing Care of the Adult I	6
NUR 417	Nursing Care of the Adult II	6
NUR 418	Nursing Care of Childbearing and Childrearing Family	6
NUR 419	Aging, Chronicity and Palliative Care	3
NUR 420	Nursing Informatics	2
NUR 424	Transition into Professional Nursing	7
NUR 426	Nursing Introduction to Evidence Based Practice	3
NUR 428	Leadership in Nursing	3
Total Credits		77

¹ The CSP BSN program also requires completion of specific general education content areas prior to beginning the nursing program. While these content areas must be completed, they are not considered formal prerequisites to the program with minimum grades required (e.g., C or higher). However, students must still meet the 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA requirement.

² Co-requisites: The following general education courses or areas can be fulfilled while in the nursing program: Literature/History/Political Science, Fine Arts, and Intermediate Theology. Electives may be completed, as needed.

³ COM 103 Interpersonal Communication is a concurrent or prerequisite to this course.

⁴ BIO120 General Biology I is a prerequisite to this course.

CSP's pre-licensure nursing programs prepare students to take the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN®), which is required for professional nursing licensing in all states. CSP BSN program graduates are eligible to apply to take the NCLEX-RN® in any state. States may require additional licensure application conditions including but not limited to background studies that may include fingerprinting. State specific professional nursing licensure requirements are accessible via the identified state's nursing board website. Please click here (<https://publish.smartsheet.com/f09beb91e1ef4e31980126505e1a4b81/>) for more information.