

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Program Objectives

Upon completion of the baccalaureate nursing program in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at Valdosta State University, the graduate will be able to:

- synthesize theoretical, empirical, and experiential knowledge gained from the liberal arts, human and natural sciences, and nursing to develop holistic plans of care for individuals, families, and communities throughout the lifespan.
- coordinate with the interdisciplinary team to assess, plan, implement, and evaluate safe, effective care.
- deliver holistic care using critical thinking, sound decision making, and effective communication.
- plan, implement, and evaluate nursing care based on evidence from research and nursing practice.
- apply leadership and management principles as a novice professional nurse in the effective delivery of nursing care.
- integrate professional standards and ethical principles into nursing practice
- incorporate teaching/learning principles in promoting health for diverse individuals, families, and populations.
- evaluate the impact of trends and issues affecting health and access to health care
- advocate for persons, groups, and communities based on awareness of ethical and legal issues affecting health care.
- integrate technology in planning, delivery, and evaluation of nursing care.

Requirements for the B.S.N. Degree

Core Curriculum, Areas A-E (See VSU Core Curriculum)

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Nursing students must take the science requirements noted for Area D.2.b.

Core Curriculum Area F

BIOL 2651	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIOL 2652	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
BIOL 2900	Microbiology in Health and Disease	4
NURS 2700	Pathophysiology	3
MATH 2620	Statistical Methods ¹	3
Select three hours from the following guided electives:		3
PSYC 2103	Introduction to Human Development	
SOCI 1101	Introduction to Sociology ²	
PSYC 1101	Introduction to General Psychology ²	

¹ Students are strongly encouraged to take MATH 2620 in area D.2.b of the Core.

² Students are strongly encouraged to take SOCI 1101 and PSYC 1101 in Area E of the Core.

Senior College Curriculum

	Semester one	Hours	Semester two	Junior Hours
NURS 3102		3	NURS 3201	3
NURS 3103		4	NURS 3202	5
NURS 3111		8	NURS 3203	7
		15		15
	Semester one	Hours	Semester two	Senior Hours
NURS 4114		7	NURS 4201	4
NURS 4124		8	NURS 4202	3
			NURS 4224	8
		15		15

Total Hours: 60

Total Hours required for the degree: 120 Semester Hours