

CURRICULUM MAP



MERRIMACK COLLEGE

Nursing, BS

YEAR ONE

FALL

Anatomy & Physiology I – HSC 1122	4 credits	Major Requirement
Introduction to Religion – RTS 1000	4 credits	General Education Requirement
Introduction to Human Development – HDE 1000	4 credits	Major Requirement
Introduction to College Writing – ENG 1050	4 credits	General Education Requirement
First Year Experience – FYE 1050	1 credit	General Education Requirement

Total Credits – 17

SPRING

Anatomy & Physiology II – HSC 1123	4 credits	Major Requirement
Introduction to Philosophy – PHL 1000	4 credits	General Education Requirement
1 of the following (4 credits):		
• Foreign Language (FL)	4 credits	General Education Requirement, Major Requirement
• Historical Studies (H)	4 credits	General Education Requirement, Major Requirement
• Art & Literature (AL)	4 credits	General Education Requirement, Major Requirement
• Basic Statistics (Q) – MTH 1111	4 credits	General Education Requirement, Major Requirement
Introduction to Professional Nursing – NUR 1550	4 credits	Major Requirement

Total Credits – 16

YEAR TWO

FALL

Nursing Fund. & Health Assessment – NUR 2000	4 credits	Major Requirement
Nursing Biochemistry – CHM 2037	4 credits	Major Requirement
General Education Elective/Minor	4 credits	General Education Requirement
General Education Elective/Minor or Interdisciplinary Elective	4 credits	Major Elective, General Education Requirement

Total Credits – 16

SPRING

Care Considerations for the Older Adult – NUR 2550	6 credits	Major Requirement
Microbiology for Health Professionals – HSC 3320	4 credits	Major Requirement
Pathopharmacology I – NUR 2600	4 credits	Major Requirement

Total Credits – 14

YEAR THREE

FALL

Medical Surgical Nursing – NUR 3000	8 credits	Major Requirement
Pathopharmacology II – NUR 3050	4 credits	Major Requirement
General Education Elective/Minor	4 credits	General Education Requirement

Total Credits – 16

Year 3, Spring Semester students are placed into a specialty cohort.

SPRING – Specialty Cohort A

1 of the following (4 credits):

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| ● Biomedical Ethics – PHL 2060 | 4 credits | Major Elective |
| ● Bioethics & Health Care – RTS 2820 | 4 credits | Major Elective |
| ● Justice in Health & Healthcare – PHL 3060 | 4 credits | Major Elective |

Research & Evidence-Based Nursing Practice – NUR3700	4 credits	Major Requirement
Pediatric Nursing – NUR3500	4 credits	Major Requirement
Obstetrical & Newborn Nursing – NUR3550	4 credits	Major Requirement

Total Credits – 16

SPRING – Specialty Cohort B

1 of the following (4 credits):

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| ● Biomedical Ethics – PHL 2060 | 4 credits | Major Elective |
| ● Bioethics & Health Care – RTS 2820 | 4 credits | Major Elective |
| ● Justice in Health & Healthcare – PHL 3060 | 4 credits | Major Elective |

Mental Health Nursing Care – NUR 3655	4 credits	Major Requirement
Critical Care Nursing – NUR 4000	4 credits	Major Requirement
Community/Public Health Nursing – NUR 3600	4 credits	Major Requirement

Total Credits – 16

YEAR FOUR

Year 4, Fall Semester students complete their second specialty cohort.

FALL – Specialty Cohort A

Role Transition – NUR 4050 OR Interdisciplinary Elective	4 credits	Major Requirement, Major Elective
Research & Evidence-Based Nursing Practice – NUR3700	4 credits	Major Requirement
Pediatric Nursing – NUR3500	4 credits	Major Requirement
Obstetrical & Newborn Nursing – NUR3550	4 credits	Major Requirement

Total Credits – 16

FALL – Specialty Cohort B

Role Transition – NUR 4050 OR Interdisciplinary Elective	4 credits	Major Requirement, Major Elective
Mental Health Nursing Care – NUR 3655	4 credits	Major Requirement
Critical Care Nursing – NUR 4000	4 credits	Major Requirement
Community/Public Health Nursing – NUR 3600	4 credits	Major Requirement

Total Credits – 16

SPRING

Capstone Synthesis – NUR 4500	4 credits	Major Requirement
Capstone Preceptorship – NUR 4550	6 credits	Major Requirement
Role Transition – NUR 4050 OR Interdisciplinary Elective	4 credits	Major Requirement, Major Elective

Total Credits – 14

Note: This is a sample curriculum map. Students may progress toward graduation using alternative pathways.