



Addendum to 2023-2024 Nursing Student Handbook

3.7 Graduation Requirements for the Traditional BS in Nursing

Candidates for a Bachelor of Science in nursing degree must complete all of the following:

- Successfully complete:
 - A **minimum of 124 credits** for the class 2024 and completion of all courses, as per the nursing curriculum plan for the class of 2024.
 - A **minimum of 124 credits** for the class 2025 and beyond, completion of all courses, as per the nursing curriculum plan for the classes of 2025 and beyond.
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- Achieve a grade of “C” or higher in:
 - all science courses (Human A&P I and II, Nursing Biochemistry, and Microbiology for Health Professions);
 - Research Methods (EXS2550) or NUR3700– Nursing Research and EBP
 - all of the nursing courses (Intro. to Professional Nursing, Nursing Fundamentals and Health Assessment, Mental Health Nursing, Care Considerations for the Older Adult with Chronic Conditions, Pathopharmacology I & II, Adult Medical Surgical Nursing, Pediatric Nursing, Obstetrical and Newborn Nursing, Nursing Research and EBP (for Classes of 2025 and beyond), Community/Public Health Nursing, Critical Care Nursing, Role Transition, Capstone Synthesis, and Capstone Preceptorship) *.
- Maintain cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.75.
- Successfully passed a nationally normed, standardized, NCLEX style comprehensive examination.

*Students can repeat one nursing course only. A second failed nursing course or failure of the same nursing course twice (defined as a final grade < a “C”) will result in dismissal from the Nursing program.

3.8 Requirements for Progression in the Traditional BS in Nursing Program

1. First Year students must:

- Achieve a grade of "C" or higher in NUR1550 Introduction to Professional Nursing; HCS1122 Human Anatomy & Physiology I; and HSC1123 Human Anatomy & Physiology II; and

- Successfully complete a minimum of 32 credits with a CGPA of 2.75 or higher prior to entering second year.

* Any student who has not successfully completed a minimum of 32 credits or has earned an overall GPA of less than 2.75 by the end of the first year spring semester will receive a letter from the Nursing Program. This letter will advise the student to contact their advisor to discuss potential options for meeting progression standards prior to entering second year.

** If progression standards are not met prior to entering second year, the student will be dismissed from the nursing program.

2. Second Year students must:

- Achieve a weighted cumulative average on all examinations within each nursing course of at least a "C" (73- 76.99) and receive an overall course grade of "C" in each of the nursing courses. If the weighted cumulative exam average is less than 73%, the final course grade will be calculated solely on the cumulative exam grade, and the student will fail the course with a grade of C-, D+, D, D-, or F;
- achieve a grade of "C" or higher in CHM 2037 Nursing Biochemistry and HCS3320 Microbiology for Health Professions;
- have a CGPA of 2.75 or higher at the end of each semester;
- receive a grade of "pass" on end-of-semester clinical evaluation;
- achieve a medication calculation quiz score of 100%;
- maintain compliance with all health and clinical agency requirements; and
- have successfully completed a minimum of 62 credits prior to entering third year.

* Any student who has not successfully completed a minimum of 62 credits or has earned an overall GPA of less than 2.75 by the end of the second year spring semester will receive a letter from the Nursing Program. This letter will advise the student to contact their advisor to discuss potential options for meeting progression standards prior to entering the third year.

** If progression standards are not met prior to entering the third year, the student will be dismissed from the nursing program.

3. Third Year students must:

- Achieve a weighted cumulative average on all examinations within each nursing course of at least a "C" (73- 76.99) and receive an overall course grade of "C" in each of the nursing courses. If the weighted cumulative exam average is less than 73%, the final course grade will be calculated solely on the cumulative exam grade, and the student will fail the course with a grade of C-, D+, D, D- or F;
- have a CGPA of 2.75 or higher at the end of each semester;
- receive a grade of "pass" on end-of-semester clinical evaluations;

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- achieve a medication calculation quiz score of 100%;
- maintain compliance with all health and clinical agency requirements; and
- have successfully completed **a minimum of 94 credits** to qualify for promotion to year four.

*Any student who has not successfully completed **a minimum of 94 credits** or has earned an overall GPA of less than 2.75 by the end of the third year spring semester will receive a letter from the Nursing Program. This letter will advise the student to contact their advisor to discuss potential options for meeting progression standards prior to entering the fourth year.

** If progression standards are not met prior to entering the fourth year, the student will be dismissed from the nursing program.

4. Fourth Year students must:

- Achieve a weighted cumulative average on all examinations within each nursing course of at least a "C" (73- 76.99) and receive an overall course grade of "C" in each of the nursing courses. If the weighted cumulative exam average is less than 73%, the final course grade will be calculated solely on the cumulative exam grade, and the student will fail the course with a grade of C-, D+, D, D-, or F;
- have a CGPA of 2.75 or higher at the end of each semester;
- receive a grade of "pass" on end-of-semester clinical evaluations;
- achieve a medication calculation quiz score of 100%;
- maintain compliance with all health and clinical agency requirements; and
- successfully complete **a total of 127 credits*** to qualify for graduation.
- pass a computerized, standardized, nationally normed, comprehensive nursing examination during the spring semester.

*** Completed a minimum of 124 credits for the class of 2024; completed all courses, as per the nursing curriculum plan for the classes of 2024. Completed a minimum of 124 credits for the class of 2025 and beyond, completed all courses, as per the nursing curriculum plan for the classes of 2025 and beyond.**

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