



This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding “critical courses” for this particular Program of Study.

| Critical | Course Subject and Title | Credit Hours | Min. Grade ¹ | Major GPA ² | Code | Prerequisites | Notes |
|---|---|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--|-------|
| Semester One (17-18 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| ! | ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition | 3 | C | | CC-CMW | | |
| ! | CHEM 102 Fundamental Chemistry II | 4 | C | | CC-SCI | 1 yr. high-school chemistry, <i>or</i> CHEM 101 <i>or</i> 111 | |
| ! | BIOL 243 & Lab – Human Anatomy and Physiology I | 4 | C | | PR | | |
| ! | PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology | 3 | C | | CC-GSS | | |
| | UNIV 101 The Student in the University (<i>or other elective</i>) <i>or</i> MATH 111/111i ³ (<i>if required per placement test</i>) <i>or</i> Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3-4 | C | | PR/CC | | |
| Semester Two (17 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| ! | ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition | 3 | C | | CC-CMW CC-INF | | |
| ! | STAT 112 Statistics and the Media | 3 | C | | CC-ARP | | |
| ! | NURS 112 Intro. to the Profession of Nursing: Focus on Roles & Opportunities | 1 | C | | MR | | |
| ! | BIOL 244 & Lab – Human Anatomy & Physiology II | 4 | C | | PR | BIOL 243 & Lab | |
| ! | PSYC 420 Survey of Developmental Psychology | 3 | C | | CR | PSYC 101 | |
| | SOCY 101 Introductory Sociology | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| Semester Three (15-16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| ! | BIOL 250 & Lab – Microbiology | 4 | C | | CR | College-level biology & chemistry | |
| ! | NURS 212 Evolution of Nursing Science | 2 | C | | MR | | |
| ! | NURS 216 Biophysical Pathology | 3 | C | | MR | CHEM 102 & BIOL 243 & 244 | |
| | STAT 205 Elementary Statistics for the Biological and Life Sciences ²⁰⁵ | 3 | C | | CC-ARP | MATH 111/111i <i>or</i> higher <i>or</i> consent of department | |
| | Foreign language ⁵ <i>or</i> other Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3-4 | C | | CC-GFL | | |
| Application for Nursing Upper Division must be submitted by the November deadline. | | | | | | | |
| Semester Four (12-15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | NURS 220 Clinical Nutrition | 3 | C | | MR | NURS 216 | |
| | Foreign language ⁵ <i>or</i> other Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ | 3 | C | | CC-GFL | | |
| | BIOL 206 Genetics and Society | 3 | C | | CC-SCI | | |
| | PHIL 213 Communicating Moral Issues | 3 | C | | CC-CMS CC-VSR | | |
| | Carolina Core Requirement ⁴ (<i>only if needed to meet CC requirements</i>) | 0-3 | C | | CC | | |
| Semester Five (16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | NURS 311 Introduction to Health Assessment | 3 | C | | MR | Coreqs: NURS 312 & 314 | |
| | NURS 312 Foundations of Nursing Practice | 5 | C | | MR | Coreqs: NURS 311 & 314 | |
| | NURS 313 Nursing Care of the Older Adult | 3 | C | | MR | NURS 311 & 312 | |
| | NURS 314 Clinical Reasoning in Nursing Practice | 2 | C | | MR | Coreqs: NURS 311 & 312 | |
| | NURS 324 Chemical Therapeutics | 3 | C | | MR | CHEM 102 & NURS 216; Coreqs: NURS 311, 312, 313, & 314 | |
| Semester Six (16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | NURS 400 Evidence Based Practice | 3 | C | | MR CC-INT | STAT 110 & NURS 314 | |
| | NURS 412 Acute Care Nursing of Adults I | 5 | C | | MR | NURS 311, 312, 314, & 324 | |
| | NURS 424 Maternal/Newborn Nursing | 4 | C | | MR | NURS 311, 312, 314, & 324; Coreqs: NURS 412 & 425 | |
| | NURS 425 Nursing of Children & Families | 4 | C | | MR | NURS 311, 312, 314, & 324; Coreq: NURS 424; Coreq/Prereq: NURS 412 | |
| Semester Seven (14 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | NURS 411 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing | 5 | C | | MR | NURS 311, 312, 314, & 324; Coreq: NURS 412 | |
| | NURS 422 Acute Care Nursing of Adults II | 5 | C | | MR | NURS 324 & 412 | |
| | NURS 431 Population Health Nursing | 4 | C | | MR | | |
| Semester Eight (12 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | NURS 428 Nursing Leadership & Management | 4 | C | | MR | Coreq: NURS 435 | |
| | NURS 435 Senior Nursing Capstone Practicum | 8 | C | | MR | Successful completion of all clinical courses | |

Graduation Requirements Summary

| Minimum Total Hours | Minimum Major Requirements Hours | College & Program Requirements Hours | Carolina Core Hours | Minimum LIFE & Institutional GPA |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| 120 | 67 | 19-22 | 31-34 | 3.0 |

1. Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 3.000 cumulative LIFE and Institutional GPA.
2. Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
3. Students who do not place into the required ARP courses must complete the necessary prerequisites before continuing with the required Carolina Core ARP courses.
4. Students in the College of Nursing are required to demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language by achieving a score of two or higher on the Foreign Language Placement Test or by completing one foreign language through 110 or 121.
5. The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
6. No elective courses of a remedial and developmental nature may apply as credit toward the 120 hours minimum.

Program Notes:

- Students must have a “C” or better grade in all critical courses and a cumulative 3.000 or higher progression, institutional, and LIFE GPA in order to be eligible to apply to Upper Division. Grade forgiveness will not be recognized in the GPA calculation.
- Admission into the baccalaureate degree in nursing major does not guarantee admission to the upper division. Admission to the upper division is a competitive process and the meeting of minimum admission criteria (GPA 3.0) does not guarantee admission to the upper division. Students who are not accepted to the upper division should talk with their advisor regarding the feasibility of reapplication. If the student chooses to reapply to upper division, the student must submit a new application for the next admission date and must compete with the new applicant group.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

University Requirements: Bachelor’s degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

| Codes: | |
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| CC | Carolina Core |
| CC-AIU | Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding |
| CC-ARP | Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving |
| CC-CMS | Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component |
| CC-CMW | Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component |
| CC-GFL | Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language |
| CC-GHS | Carolina Core – Historical Thinking |
| CC-GSS | Carolina Core – Social Sciences |
| CC-INF | Carolina Core – Information Literacy |
| CC-INT | Carolina Core – Integrative Course |
| CC-SCI | Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy |
| CC-VSR | Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility |
| CR | College Requirement |
| MR | Major Requirement |
| PR | Program Requirement |

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.