



## Our Mission

- ▼ to provide both a liberal and professional education to students of nursing
- ▼ to generate and refine nursing knowledge and practice through nursing research and research utilization
- ▼ to serve society through professional and volunteer outreach to individuals, families, and communities

## Clinical Immersion Program

The traditional undergraduate program is designed for beginning students of nursing. The curriculum is an innovative clinical immersion format, which maintains high educational standards while focusing the senior year on intense clinical experiences that will prepare our students to enter their nursing careers a step ahead of many other nursing graduates.

## Program Highlights

- ▼ Fully accredited by Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education
- ▼ Direct admission into the nursing major freshman year
- ▼ Nursing courses begin in the freshman year
- ▼ State-of-the-art simulation laboratories and resource center to support pre-senior-year clinical preparation
- ▼ Live standardized patient labs throughout the program in collaboration with the Theatre and Physical Therapy departments.
- ▼ Senior-year clinical immersion
- ▼ Nursing elective study abroad courses available to junior and senior students
- ▼ Exceptional NCLEX pass rates with a standardized exam preparation program utilized throughout
- ▼ Focus on awareness of culturally diverse healthcare needs

- ▼ Field experiences to enhance understanding of the reality of practice and perspectives of care
- ▼ Guaranteed course capacity in Nursing courses

## The nurse clinical immersion program requires 122 credits for completion and is set up as follows:

- ▼ Freshman Experience: Introduction to the profession and clinical skills with essential science and liberal arts courses.
- ▼ Sophomore Experience: Development of clinical skills, foundational knowledge, and decision making in nursing through classroom, simulation and laboratory experiences.
- ▼ Junior Experience: Expansion of nursing knowledge into essential and specialty clinical nursing with associated simulation and field experiences.
- ▼ Senior Experience: Clinical immersion and enhancement of professional nursing knowledge for entry into practice.

## Getting Involved

- ▼ Honors Program
- ▼ Student Nursing Organization (SNO)
- ▼ Minority Student Nursing Organization
- ▼ Research Assistantships / Teaching Assistantships
- ▼ Honor Society of Nursing, Beta Xi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International

Traditional BSN Curriculum FRESHMAN YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
COURSE	CREDITS	COURSE	CREDITS
New Student Connections	1	Human Physiology	4
Human Anatomy	2	Nursing Connections	1
General Chemistry	4	Elementary Bioorganic Chemistry	5
Introductory Biology I	4	Critical Reading & Writing	3
General Psychology OR University Breadth Requirement	3	General Psychology OR University Breadth Requirement	3
TOTAL: 14		TOTAL: 16	
SOPHOMORE YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Clinical Decision Making	2	Pharmacology	3
Health: Promotion & Vulnerability OR Basic Statistical Practice	3	Scientific Basis of Nursing	3
Scientific Basis of Nursing	3	Health & Physical Assessment	3
Introduction to Microbiology OR Life Span Development	4/3	Introduction to Microbiology OR Life Span Development	4/3
Nutrition Concepts	3	Basic Statistical Practice OR Health: Promotion & Vulnerability OR University Breadth Requirement	3
TOTAL: 14-15		TOTAL: 15-16	
JUNIOR YEAR (students may take either rotation of these courses in Fall/Spring)			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Psychosocial Nursing	3	Adult Health Nursing	3
Research Concepts in Health Care OR University Breadth Requirement	3	Care of Children & Families	3
Adult Health Nursing	3	Care of Women	3
Communities & Health Policy	2	Clinical Work Experiences*	1
Clinical Work Experiences*	1	Research Concepts in Health Care OR University Breadth Requirement	3
Basic Statistical Practice OR University Breadth Requirement	3	Free Elective	3
TOTAL: 15		TOTAL: 16	
SENIOR YEAR			
FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Adult Health Nursing I	3	Adult Health Nursing II	3
Maternal-Child	3	Care of Populations	3
Clinical Psychosocial Nursing	3	Clinical Preceptorship	3
Clinical Integration Seminar I	2	Clinical Integration Seminar II	2
Topics in Health Care Delivery	3	Topics in Health Care Delivery	3
Free Elective	3		
TOTAL: 17		TOTAL: 14	
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS 122			

Note: \* Total of 2 credits NURS 390 required prior to senior year nursing coursework.

#### Requirements Categories:

- Creative arts and humanities—3 credits
- History and cultural change—3 credits
- Social and behavioral sciences—3 credits
- Mathematics, natural sciences, and technology—3 credits  
(for the nursing major—several courses will fit this requirement)

## Clinical Coursework

Healthcare agencies throughout the tri-state region provide on-site clinical experiences for nursing students. Locally, St. Francis Hospital, Christiana Care Health System, Veteran's Administration, Union Hospital, Bayhealth and Nemours/Alfred I duPont Hospital for Children are common placements. Additionally we utilize a variety of community clinical sites throughout the region. Clinical site placement is determined randomly. All students are expected to travel up to one hour from campus for a wide variety of excellent clinical opportunities.