

NURSING RN/BSN TRACK / BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Total Credit Hours: 128

Major Credit Hours: 26

The RN/BSN track is designed to meet the unique needs of the professional nurse licensed to practice who, having graduated from an approved IDPFR diploma school of nursing, associate degree nursing program, or foreign-based program, seeks to earn a bachelor of science in Nursing (BSN) degree.

Lewis articulates with all diploma and associate degree nursing programs. RN/BSN students are awarded up to 72 hours for ADN graduates and 84 hours for additional four-year degree graduates plus an additional 12 semester hours of credit on the basis of demonstrating fulfillment of basic nursing competencies measured through passing the NCLEX exam and receiving licensure as a professional nurse in the state of Illinois. Credit for six clinical nursing courses may be awarded via challenge exam if additional college elective credit is needed for graduation. National accredited professional nursing certifications may also be accepted in lieu of challenge exams.

Registration and Progression

Students must receive a grade of "C" in required science and nursing courses to progress to the next semester in the program. Students who receive only one failing grade in a science (C-, D, F, or W), will be allowed to repeat that course twice. Science theory and science labs are counted as one class. Upon a second failed science, the student will be notified that they have been academically dismissed from the Nursing major. A student may repeat a required general education support course in which they earn a "C-", "D", "F", or "W" twice and if the student does not earn a minimum of a "C" on the by the third attempt they will be academically dismissed from the Nursing major. Dismissal from the Nursing program does not necessarily result in dismissal from the University.

Requirements

Degree Requirements

Non-Nursing Support Courses: 12

General Education Courses: 45

Electives: 33

Credit for Licensure: 12

Nursing Courses: 26

Code	Title	Hours
Junior Level		
NURS 30100	Evidence Based Practice	3
NURS 30600	Concepts of Professional Nursing	4
NURS 31200	Health Assessment/Health Promotion	3
NURS 34000	Pharmacotherapeutics for the Registered Nurse	3
Senior Level		
NURS 40200	Professional Development and Leadership ¹	3
NURS 41400	Healthcare Informatics	3
NURS 43200	Promoting Healthy Communities ²	4

NURS 43510	Leadership Practicum	3
Total Hours		26

¹ Note: NURS 40200 Professional Development and Leadership fulfills the Globalization requirement.

² Note: NURS 43200 Promoting Healthy Communities fulfills the Civic Engagement requirement.

Additional Admission Requirements

Admission Requirements

- State licensure
- Graduate of state approved nursing program
- GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale)