Nursing

The traditional BSN option is designed for undergraduate students who plan to complete the degree in four years after graduating high school. As freshman and sophomores, nursing students are considered pre-nursing. Students typically are admitted to the clinical major during their junior and senior years. Other BSN options include the accelerated option (http://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/accelerated-bsn) for students with a college degree and RN to BSN or RN-MS(N) option (http://nursing.missouri.edu/academic-programs/rn-to-bsn) for nurses with an associate's degree.

The Master of Science degree programs prepares nurses with post baccalaureate or post graduate degrees for roles as nurse educators, nurse leaders, and care managers. Graduates of the Masters of Science program proceed to prepare future nurses, promote health, provide care management, and nursing leadership.

The Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree (or practice doctorate) prepares post baccalaureate and post graduate students in a specific advanced nursing roles (clinical nurse specialist, family nurse practitioner, and leadership) at the highest level of nursing practice.

Our doctor of philosophy in nursing (PhD) program prepares clinical scholars, educators, and researchers for leadership roles in a variety of academic, industry, and healthcare settings. Because the knowledge and skills needed to produce excellent health-related research is not discipline specific, the PhD program does not require a prior degree in nursing. Indeed, we have had PhD students with academic preparation in health administration, health education, medical ethics, nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, public health and social work.

Faculty

**Assistant Professor** J. Chase*, L. Despins*, U. Jefferson**, L. Sherwin*  
**Teaching Professor** J. Sherman*  
**Associate Teaching Professor** G. Oliver*, S. Ulbrich*, R. Harris*, K. Bowman*  
**Assistant Teaching Professor** V. Bader*, S. Birk*, N. Birtley*, M. Butler*, P. Evans-Smith*, J. Sabrowski, S. Thomas*, L. Wood*, A. Heyen*  
**Adjunct Associate Professor** R. McDaniel*  
**Adjunct Assistant Professor** M. Beck*, C. Crumley*, S. Revelle*, T. Rood*, J. Miller  
**Adjunct Teaching Professor** J. Bostick*  
**Adjunct Instructor** B. Hanson, C. Yonkman, C. Thompson, B. Davenport  

* Graduate Faculty Member - membership is required to teach graduate-level courses, chair master's thesis committees, and serve on doctoral examination and dissertation committees.  
** Doctoral Faculty Member - membership is required to chair doctoral examination or dissertation committees. Graduate faculty membership is a prerequisite for Doctoral faculty membership.

Undergraduate

- BSN in Nursing (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/  
  schoolofnursing/nursing/bsn-nursing)

Academic Regulations

College Credits

Students applying to the Sinclair School of Nursing (SSON) may transfer coursework from accredited four-year institutions and community/junior colleges. There is no time limit imposed on courses transferable to the SSON. A maximum of 60 semester hours of non-nursing courses may transfer provided equivalency of the nursing general education requirements is determined.

Students may earn advanced standing credit in some courses by satisfactorily completing examinations in certain subjects. Those who elect not to take the examinations or who do not achieve satisfactory results are required to enroll in the course(s). The student may acquire College Level Examination Program (CLEP) advance standing by subject examinations in general education and required support courses. Departmental examinations are also available. Departmental examinations are comparable to final examinations given in the required courses offered on campus. A student who has a record of enrollment in a course with a grade less than a "C" shall not be eligible later for credit on the basis of examination covering the same subject.

Students in the RN to BSN and RN to MS(N) options may take advance standing by subject examinations, when transferring in less than 90 credit hours. For RN to BSN and RN to MS(N) students, a standardized nursing examination from the National League for Nursing (NLN) is available for nutrition. If an unsatisfactory score is obtained from the first attempt the student may repeat the failed examination one time. A CLEP examination is available for the subject of Human Growth and Development. If an unsatisfactory score is obtained from the first attempt, the examination may not be repeated for six months.

Distance Education Courses

Certain courses offered by the Mizzou Online (self-paced) may be applied toward degree requirements. Courses such as literature, advanced psychology or sociology may be taken through independent study. Students should not expect to begin nor continue work on independent study courses during the regular semester except by special permission of the associate dean and then only when carrying less than a full course load in residence.

Progression Criteria

Pre-nursing

- Satisfactory academic standing requires a minimum semester GPA of 2.0 and a cumulative GPA at or above the standards listed below:

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- Pre-nursing students with more than 60 credit hours must also have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher.

- A grade of C or better is required for anatomy, biology, chemistry, ENGLISH 1000, human development, microbiology, nutrition,
physiology, nursing courses and Writing Intensive courses. A grade of “C-” or better is required in algebra or statistics. A grade of “F” is unacceptable for any course.

- Students may repeat a course in which an unsatisfactory grade was earned. If less than a C is earned on repetition of a course, students are ineligible to continue enrollment in the School of Nursing.
- Students who are in the traditional BSN option and withdraw in good standing for any reason must contact the Associate Dean for readmission.

**Clinical Nursing**

- Progression into the next semester’s nursing courses is contingent on the completion, with a grade of C or better, of all of the previous semester’s courses.
- A satisfactory academic standing for clinical students is a minimum semester GPA and cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- A grade of C or better is required for all nursing courses. One repetition of a course is permitted, but requires approval of SAP committee. Students who earn less than a C on repetition of a nursing course are ineligible to continue enrollment in the School of Nursing.
- Students in the clinical nursing phase who withdraw in good standing for any reason must contact the Associate Dean for readmission.

**Probation and Academic Dismissal**

The faculty of the School of Nursing has established criteria governing nursing probation and dismissal.

**Pre-nursing**

- Students who do not meet the requirements set forth in the progression criteria are placed on academic probation. They must attain the cumulative grade point average required for their classification, as outlined previously, within two semesters or they are ineligible to re-enroll in the School of Nursing, and must transfer divisions.
- A student whose semester GPA falls below 1.0 is ineligible to re-enroll at MU for the period of one year.

**Clinical Nursing**

- A student who does not meet the requirements set forth in progression criteria is placed on academic probation.
- A student on academic probation must obtain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 within two semesters or is ineligible to re-enroll in the School of Nursing.
- Students who have been dismissed may reapply through the established admissions procedure for all students and petition the Faculty Assembly Student Admissions and Progression Committee. Students who are readmitted are guided by the rules in operation for the class they join.
- A student in the clinical nursing phase who has been dismissed from the School of Nursing for a second time may not reapply for admission.

**Additional Requirements**

Students in the clinical phase of the degree requirements must be prepared to provide their own transportation to clinical agencies. In addition, they must meet the following requirements:

- Required Immunizations
  - MMR
  - Hepatitis B series
  - Varicella or positive titer
  - Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis)
  - Yearly TB tests
  - Drug Screening
  - Criminal Background Check
  - CPR Certification (American Heart Association, BLS for Healthcare Providers)
  - SSON scrubs/student uniform
  - Functional Abilities

**Practicums**

Clinical practicums (patient/client care) are an integral part of the curriculum. Students have the opportunity to practice in a variety of health care and related agencies, including:

- University of Missouri Health Care
- Boone Hospital Center
- Truman Veterans Hospital
- Fulton State Hospital
- Mid-Missouri Mental health Center
- Multiple county and city health departments
- Long-term care facilities
- Day-care centers
- Schools (K-12)

**Licensure by the Missouri State Board of Nursing**

On receipt of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, students may be eligible to take the NCLEX examination for licensure as registered nurses. The Missouri State Board of Nursing grants a license to practice to persons who meet the policies and regulations contained within the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 335.011 to 335.096.

**Graduate**

- MS in Nursing (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/schoolofnursing/nursing/ms-nursing)
  - with emphasis in Leadership in Nursing and Health Care Systems (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/schoolofnursing/nursing/ms-nursing-emphasis-leadership-nurse-health-care-system)
  - with emphasis in Nurse Educator (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/schoolofnursing/nursing/ms-nursing-emphasis-nurse-education)
- PhD in Nursing (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/schoolofnursing/nursing/phd-nursing)
- DNP in Nursing (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/schoolofnursing/nursing/dnp-nursing)
  - with emphasis in Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist (http://catalog.missouri.edu/undergraduategraduate/schoolofnursing/nursing/dnp-nursing-emphasis-adult-gerontology-clinical-nurse-spec)
Financial assistance is available as scholarships, fellowships, and grants to areas of research and teaching.

Nursing is a professional career for those who would like to combine the skillful teaching, respected scholars and researchers in the nursing profession, and experienced, caring practitioners. The master's program provides a rich and rewarding learning environment for our students. Our faculty includes knowledgeable and skillful teachers, respected scholars and researchers in the nursing profession, and experienced, caring practitioners. The master's and Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 2150, Washington, DC 20001.

About the Sinclair School of Nursing

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Nursing was an integral part of the Parker Memorial Hospital Training School, which served as the university's first hospital in 1901. Although a nursing program was not officially established until 1920 within the School of Medicine, MU graduated its first nursing class in 1904. Sixteen years later, the Curators approved a Graduate Nursing designation. Today, the Sinclair School of Nursing provides a rich and rewarding learning environment for our students. Our faculty includes knowledgeable and skillful teachers, respected scholars and researchers in the nursing profession, and experienced, caring practitioners. The master's and Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001.

Facilities and Resources

Graduate students in the School of Nursing have access to all campus libraries and the various services they provide. The School of Nursing building is adjacent to University Hospital and Clinics, MU Psychiatric Center and Ellis Fischel Cancer Center. Women and Children's Hospital is located nearby. A variety of learning experiences also are available at other hospital and health and social service agencies in and around Columbia.

Career Opportunities

Nursing is a professional career for those who would like to combine the following words in any number of ways: Servant leadership, challenge, advanced nursing skills, caring, science, and meaningful work. Graduates of our program work in a variety of settings - from hospital inpatient units and hospital based clinics, to community health centers, private practices, and schools, to areas of research and teaching.

Funding

Financial assistance is available as scholarships, fellowships, assistantships and traineeships.

NURSE 1000: Advisory Seminar for Nursing
Orientation to the undergraduate nursing program, professional role development, and introduction to the professional milieu. Graded on an S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1

NURSE 2200: Foundations of Communication and Professionalism in Nursing
In this course, students develop their interpersonal communication skills and cultural competency in health care. Topics include social determinants of health, biases in the healthcare setting, health literacy, and health disparities. Students will learn evidence-based communication techniques. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 2200H: Foundations of Communication and Professionalism in Nursing - Honors
In this course, students develop their interpersonal communication skills and cultural competency in health care. Topics include social determinants of health, biases in the healthcare setting, health literacy, and health disparities. Students will learn evidence-based communication techniques. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 3002: Topics in Nursing - Biological, Physical, Mathematical
Specialized topics in nursing not available through regularly offered courses. Sections may be offered either on S/U or A-F basis.
Credit Hour: 1-4

NURSE 3002H: Topics in Nursing - Biological Sciences- Honors
Specialized topics in nursing not available through regularly offered courses. Sections may be offered either on S/U or A-F basis.
Credit Hour: 1-4
Prerequisites: Honors Eligibility required

NURSE 3080: Introduction to Nursing Informatics
Informatics is the science of managing information. This course provides basic content for understanding informatics in nursing. Principles, theories, and practices of informatics from seeking and storing to retrieving and analyzing information will be presented. Students will apply basic content as they consider informatics from consumer and provider perspectives for current or future use as nursing professionals.
Credit Hours: 2
Prerequisites: clinical major

NURSE 3080W: Introduction to Nursing Informatics - Writing Intensive
Informatics is the science of managing information. This course provides basic content for understanding informatics in nursing. Principles, theories, and practices of informatics from seeking and storing to retrieving and analyzing information will be presented. Students will apply basic content as they consider informatics from consumer and provider perspectives for current or future use as nursing professionals.
Credit Hours: 2
Prerequisites: clinical major
NURSE 3100: Pharmacology for Nursing
This course will focus on pharmacological classification and the nurse's role in medication administration and patient education. Medication issues with special populations will be addressed. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: PTH_AS 2201 and PTH_AS 2203 and MPP 3202

NURSE 3170: Nursing Skills, Technologies, and Simulation
Provides laboratory experiences for fundamental to complex nursing skills and procedures. Focuses on application of therapeutic interventions and procedure to provide safe, patient-centered care.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: Clinical BSN Nursing CLN_BSN
Recommended: NURSE 3270

NURSE 3180: Role Transitions
Explores returning-to-school issues important to adult learners. Links previous basic nursing courses with baccalaureate courses and begins building new knowledge on prior nursing education.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 3080

NURSE 3200: Pathophysiology
Focus is on commonly occurring alterations in health across the life span. Developmental concepts, diagnostics, and treatment modalities are integrated throughout course content. Course is designed for students applying to the accelerated BSN option.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: Restricted to students in the Clinical Nursing Major

NURSE 3260: Pathophysiology
Focus is on commonly occurring alterations in health across the life span. Developmental concepts, diagnostics, and treatment modalities are integrated throughout course content. Course is designed for students applying to the accelerated BSN option.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: MICROB 2800 or MICROB 3200
Prerequisites: MPP 3202; PTH_AS 2201 and PTH_AS 2203

NURSE 3270: Foundations of Nursing: Physical Assessment and the Nursing Process
NURSE 3270 provides knowledge and skills in physical assessment and the application of the Nursing Process. Clinical application of foundational knowledge determines the health status of individuals.

Credit Hours: 5
Prerequisites or Corequisites: For Clinical BSN, students must have completed NURSE 2000 and NURSE 2100 and be concurrently enrolled in NURSE 3170, NURSE 3200, NURSE 3300; for Clinical BSN Accelerated students must have completed NURSE 3200 or NURSE 3260 and be concurrently enrolled NURSE 3170 and NURSE 3100 or NURSE 3300

NURSE 3280: Fundamentals of Nursing
This course assists students to identify and apply the nursing process in both laboratory and clinical settings. The course provides classroom, laboratory and clinical experiences for learning fundamental to complex nursing skills and technologies. Assists students with necessary application of foundational knowledge and critical thinking in the clinical setting. The student will utilize skills of data collection, documentation, communication, implementation and evaluation of a plan of care to meet health care needs. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 5
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 3200 and NURSE 3300 or NURSE 3100
Prerequisites: restricted to Clinical BSN Nursing Major
Corequisites: NURSE 3370

NURSE 3300: Pharmacology and Nursing Implications
This course will focus on pharmacological classifications and the nurse's role in medication administration and patient education. Medication issues with special populations will be addressed. Graded on a A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: Restricted to Clinical Nursing Majors
Recommended: PTH_AS 2201 and PTH_AS 2203 and MPP 3202

NURSE 3350: Individual Study
Independent study for qualified students in specific areas of interest in nursing under faculty guidance. Some sections may be graded A-F only or S/U only.

Credit Hour: 0-6
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

NURSE 3370: Health Assessment in Nursing
This course provides opportunities for students to acquire and build upon knowledge of health and illness and to develop skill in assessment of the whole individual. Students will learn a holistic approach to assessment, focused on physical, mental and social aspects, to determine the health status of individuals, families and communities. Students will develop skills in taking a health history and conducting a complete head-to-toe assessment of adults as well as individuals across the life-span from infants and children to older adults. Students will perform skills in a laboratory setting that are transferable to the clinical setting. The student is expected to apply knowledge from prerequisite and concurrent courses in data collection and interpretation of findings to determine the need for nursing care. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: Traditional Students - Clinical Nursing Majors (CLN_BSN) NURSE 2200 or NURSE 2100; Accelerated Students - Acceptance into the Accelerated Nursing Program
Corequisites: Traditional Students - NURSE 3280; Accelerated Students - NURSE 3280

NURSE 3470: Mental Health Nursing
Students discover behavioral, social, interpersonal, and neuro-biological aspects of mental health nursing. Therapeutic use of self in designing and implementing nursing care for clients throughout the life cycle is emphasized. Content on psychopathology is included.
NURSE 3750: Nursing of the Childbearing Family
This course provides learning experiences with childbearing families. Students apply the nursing process to promote health and well-being for the childbearing family. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 3260 or NURSE 3200, and NURSE 3270, NURSE 3100, admission to accelerated BSN option

NURSE 3760: Nursing of Adults I
Application of the nursing process to deliver care for hospitalized adults with health deviations. Evidence, technologies, professional standards and collaboration are used to enhance patient-centered, safe and effective care.

Credit Hours: 6
Prerequisites: NURSE 3170, NURSE 3270, NURSE 3100 or NURSE 3300, NURSE 3200 or NURSE 3260
Corequisites: NURSE 3900

NURSE 3770: Nursing of Adults II
Provides learning experiences with adults across the lifespan with health deviations. Self-care and dependent care abilities are emphasized.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 3270, admission to accelerated option

NURSE 3800: Gerontological Nursing Care
Emphasis on normal aging processes, health promotion, disease prevention, management of complex health conditions, and evaluation of care for older adults.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 3270
Corequisites: NURSE 3300 or NURSE 3100 or equivalent

NURSE 3810: Introduction to Nursing Science
Introduces nursing as a science from the perspective of knowledge development. Structures nursing knowledge from a theoretical perspective. Presents nursing research as a method of knowledge development and validation.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: STAT 1200 or STAT 1300 or ESC_PS 4170 and Clinical Nursing Major

NURSE 3910: RN to MS Role Transition
Seamless academic progression to support registered nurses prepared in community colleges and hospital based programs to advance their education is essential, based upon recommendations from professional nursing organizations, as well as institutions of higher learning. This course focuses on the role transitions encountered in advanced nursing roles at the master's level. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: RN to MSN majors

NURSE 4000: Nursing Ethics and Law
This course examines and explores legal and ethical principles and applications as they pertain to clinical nursing practice and healthcare. The information in this course is applied in concurrent and subsequent program courses and provides a foundation for ethical and legal professional nursing practice.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 3270 or NURSE 3080

NURSE 4000W: Nursing Ethics and Law - Writing Intensive
Analyzes clinical nursing situations using ethical principles and decision-making models. Examines the basic doctrines and principles foundational for providing legally sound nursing practice.

Credit Hour: 3-4
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 3080 or NURSE 3670
Prerequisites: Senior Clinical Major

NURSE 4201: Legal Concepts in Nursing
This course examines fundamental legal guidelines for professional nursing practice using content gleaned from nursing and medicine. The student will analyze and apply legal principles pertaining to nursing practice. Enrollment requires a prerequisite of a medical ethics, healthcare ethics or a bioethics course which is subject to instructor approval. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hour: 1
Prerequisites: PHIL 2440 or PHIL 1150 or HLTH_SCI 4480

NURSE 4201W: Nursing Ethics and Law - Writing Intensive
Examines clinical nursing situations using ethical principles and decision-making models. Examines the basic doctrines and principles foundational for providing legally sound nursing practice.

Credit Hours: 1
Prerequisites: PHIL 2440 or PHIL 1150 or HLTH_SCI 4480

NURSE 4210: Nursing Ethics
This course examines and explores legal and ethical principles and applications as they pertain to clinical nursing practice and healthcare. The information in this course is applied in concurrent and subsequent program courses and provides a foundation for ethical and legal professional nursing practice. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 3270 or NURSE 3080

NURSE 4210W: Nursing Ethics - Writing Intensive
This course examines and explores legal and ethical principles and applications as they pertain to clinical nursing practice and healthcare. The information in this course is applied in concurrent and subsequent program courses and provides a foundation for ethical and legal professional nursing practice. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 3270 or NURSE 3080

NURSE 4270: Nursing of Children
Nursing of children with acute and chronic health and developmental deviations. Self-care and dependent care abilities are emphasized. Content includes health promotion for infants, children and adolescents.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: NURSE 3470, NURSE 3670

NURSE 4300: Nursing Issues/Leadership and Management
Examines leadership and organizational theories in relation to resource management and effective delivery of nursing to sets of clients. Analyzes
societal/political issues and trends related to nursing and contemporary health care.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** NURSE 3670

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**NURSE 4380: Health Assessment and Pathophysiology**  
Examines biologic basis for selected commonly occurring diseases throughout the life-span. Study and performance of health assessments with application of findings to adults and children.

**Credit Hours:** 4  
**Prerequisites:** NURSE 3670, NURSE 4380: Health Assessment and Pathophysiology

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**NURSE 4400: Nursing Leadership and Management**  
Examines leadership, management, and organizational theories in relation to resource management and effective delivery of nursing to sets of clients. Analyzes societal and political issues and trends related to nursing and contemporary health care. Graded on A-F basis only.

**Credit Hours:** 2  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** NURSE 3180

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**NURSE 4470: Nursing of the Childbearing Family**  
This course provides nursing care learning experiences for childbearing families. Students apply the nursing process to promote health and well-being for the childbearing family.

**Credit Hours:** 4  
**Prerequisites:** NURSE 3100 or NURSE 3670

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**NURSE 4870: Nursing of Adults II**  
Application of nursing process to care for adults with acute physiological health deviations. Leadership and management principles are integrated in delivering care for sets of clients.

**Credit Hour:** 3-7  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** NURSE 4970

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**NURSE 4870H: Nursing of Adults II Honors**  
Application of nursing process to care for adults with acute physiological health deviations. Leadership and management principles are integrated in delivering patient care. Graded on A-F basis only.

**Credit Hours:** 4  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** NURSE 4970

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**NURSE 4930: Evidence-Based Nursing Practice**  
Concepts of evidence-based nursing practice are applied to clinical nursing questions, emphasizing use of research findings in practice settings to generate best nursing practices and optimal patient care outcomes.

**Credit Hours:** 5  
**Prerequisites:** NURSE 4950

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**NURSE 4930W: Evidence-Based Nursing Practice - Writing Intensive**  
Concepts of evidence-based nursing practice are applied to clinical nursing questions, emphasizing use of research findings in practice settings to generate best nursing practices and optimal patient care outcomes.

**Credit Hours:** 5  
**Prerequisites:** NURSE 4950

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**NURSE 4950: Nursing Theory and Research**  
Addresses nursing research as means of acquiring and refining knowledge. Research utilization to impact nursing addressed. Examines development and utilization of nursing theory, primarily Self-Care Deficit Nursing Theory.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** NURSE 3080

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**NURSE 4950W: Nursing Theory and Research - Writing Intensive**  
Addresses nursing research as means of acquiring and refining knowledge. Research utilization to impact nursing addressed. Examines development and utilization of nursing theory, primarily Self-Care Deficit Nursing Theory.

**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Prerequisites or Corequisites:** NURSE 3080

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**NURSE 4970: Nursing in Communities**  
Examines roles and functions of nurses within community with emphasis on application of community/public health concepts and design and implementation of nursing systems of care for individuals, families, and populations.

**Credit Hour:** 4-5  
**Prerequisites:** NURSE 4930

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**NURSE 4970H: Nursing in Communities - Honors**  
(same as NURSE 4970W). Examines roles and functions of nurses within community with emphasis on application of community/public health concepts and design and implementation of nursing systems of care for individuals, families, and populations. Graded on A-F basis only.

**Credit Hours:** 5  
**Prerequisites:** Honors eligibility required. Students must meet one of the following - Traditional students - NURSE 4470, NURSE 4270 and NURSE 3470; or Accelerated students - NURSE 3750 and NURSE 3760 and pre- or co-enrolled in NURSE 3470

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**NURSE 4970HW: Nursing in Communities - Honors/Writing Intensive**  
Examines roles and functions of nurses within community with emphasis on application of community/public health concepts and design and implementation of nursing systems of care for individuals, families, and populations.

**Credit Hours:** 5  
**Prerequisites:** Honors Eligibility required; Students must meet one of the following - Traditional students - NURSE 4470, NURSE 4270 and NURSE 3470; or Accelerated students - NURSE 3750 and NURSE 3760 and pre- or co-enrolled in NURSE 3470
NURSE 4970W: Nursing in Communities - Writing Intensive
Examines roles and functions of nurses within community with emphasis on application of community/public health concepts and design and implementation of nursing systems of care for individuals, families, and populations.

Credit Hours: 5
Prerequisites: Students must meet one of the following - Traditional students - NURSE 4470, NURSE 4270 and NURSE 3470; or Accelerated students - NURSE 3750 and NURSE 3760 and pre- or co-enrolled in NURSE 3470

NURSE 7010: Biostatistical Foundations for Health Researchers
Examines basic concepts of data management, study design, descriptive and inferential biostatistics using analytic software. Emphasizes statistical literacy and critical thinking for health researchers. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 7087: Leadership and Technology Institute
Introduction to knowledge and skills essential to support research and practice doctorates. May be repeated for credit.

Credit Hour: 1
Prerequisites: Admission to DNP or PhD program

NURSE 7100: Theoretical Basis for Advanced Nursing
Analysis, application and evaluation of a variety of nursing and non nursing theories used in advanced nursing practice and research.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 7110: Advanced Nursing Role Acquisition
An overview of the advanced nursing practice role and professional issues. Provides foundational knowledge on which other advanced nursing courses will build.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: Admission to the graduate program or faculty consent

NURSE 7120: Advanced Physiology and Pathophysiology
Focus on the normal and altered physiological functioning of body systems. Provides essential knowledge of human health and disease across the lifespan necessary for advanced nursing practice.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 7130: Advanced Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapeutics
Advanced practice nurse drug therapy management for health maintenance and treatment of acute episodic and chronic health problems in various populations over the life span.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: BSN or instructor's consent

NURSE 7140: Advanced Health Assessment and Promotion
Expands history and physical assessment techniques across lifespan. Addresses diagnostic reasoning, differential diagnosis, selection of common diagnostic test, disease risk factors, and health promotion strategies.

Credit Hours: 3.5
Prerequisites: BSN or instructor's consent

NURSE 7150: Research Basis for Advanced Nursing
Examines fundamentals of scientific inquiry. Addresses research design issues. Focuses on interpreting, critiquing, and synthesizing research findings.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7100

NURSE 7500: Foundations of Care Management: Professional, Legal, Financial, and Business
This course will introduce students to the interdisciplinary care management role. Topics covered include practice settings and models of care as well as professional, legal, financial, and leadership responsibilities within the context of the current U.S. health system. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 7510: Pharmacology, Pathophysiology, & Physical Assessment for Care Managers
This course develops student's knowledge of common acute and chronic health conditions. Topics include normal and altered physiological functioning, physical assessment, and therapeutic interventions. Students gain an understanding of human health and disease across the lifespan, which can be applied to care management practice. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 7750: Functional Dimensions of Aging (same as ARCHST 7640, F_C_MD 7750, HMI 7750, H_D_FS 7750, SOC_WK 7752). This online course provides a variety of learning activities to facilitate understanding and appreciation of physical, psychosocial, and economic challenges older adults may experience. Content will include determinants of and approaches to quality of life and successful aging. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 7751: Psychosocial Function and Older Adults (same as ARCHST 7650, F_C_MD 7751, HMI 7751, H_D_FS 7751, P_HLTH 7751 and SOC_WK 7751). This course takes an Interdisciplinary approach to understanding the psychosocial function of older adults and explores approaches to alleviate disabling conditions that interfere with psychosocial function and quality of life in old age. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 8001: Topics in Advanced Clinical Nursing
Specialized topics in advanced clinical nursing not available through regularly offered courses.

Credit Hours: 3
NURSE 8002: Research Topics in Nursing and Health
Topics courses are intended for special offerings, or as opportunities to experiment with a new course prior to seeking approval for it as a regular course. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 8010: Family Dynamics and Intervention
(same as H_D_FS 8012). Theories of family function and dysfunction; techniques of assessment; models of family intervention. Practicum with selected families.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7100 (Nursing students)

NURSE 8020: Intermediate Statistical Methods for Health Researchers
Examination of generalized linear models, multiple logistic regression, and multilevel modeling as applied to health sciences research.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7010 or equivalent

NURSE 8030: Interpreting Statistical Evidence in the Health Sciences
Students learn to critically evaluate statistical designs and data analysis methods used in health sciences research and scientific evidence for health care decision making. May be repeated for credit.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: Graduate level statistics course

NURSE 8085: Problems in Nursing
Guided readings, special study and/or a practicum in an area of the student's interest or in an area which the student needs to strengthen. Selected sections of the course may be offered on A-F or S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-4
Prerequisites: instructor's consent

NURSE 8090: Research in Nursing
Original investigation for presentation as thesis or dissertation. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-99
Prerequisites: graduate statistics, instructor's consent

NURSE 8100: Principles of Epidemiology
Explores key concepts of epidemiology and epidemiologic methods for studying the distribution and determinants of health and disease in populations. Application to public health and population-based practice addressed.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7150 or instructor's consent

NURSE 8210: Special Health Care Needs of Children
Perform developmental, neuro developmental, and psychosocial assessments of chronically ill children. Collaborate with families, schools; health care, community, family services to meet child's needs.
Credit Hour: 3.5-5

NURSE 8210: Participatory Approaches for Health and Health Systems
(same as F_C_MD 8425). Focuses on the use of participatory approaches for the design of health and health-system interventions. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 8100 or F_C_MD 8420 or instructor consent

NURSE 8400: Adult and Geriatric Primary Care I
Advanced practice nursing clinical diagnosis and management of acute and chronic cardiovascular, respiratory, HEENT, renal, metabolic and musculoskeletal problems in adults, older adults and their families.
Credit Hour: 3.5-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 7120, NURSE 7130, NURSE 7140

NURSE 8410: Adult and Geriatric Primary Care II
Advanced practice nursing clinical diagnosis and management of acute and chronic gastrointestinal, endocrine, hematological, neuropsychological problems and bioterrorism and CAM issues in adults, older adults and their families.
Credit Hour: 3.5-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 8400

NURSE 8420: Newborn Through Adolescence Primary Care
Advanced nursing practice of newborn through adolescence of health maintenance/promotion, clinical diagnosis and management of common childhood illness, behavioral, developmental problems. Advanced knowledge of human growth, development, family dynamics, community resources, collaborative relationships. Integrated clinical practicum.
Credit Hour: 3.5-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 7140 or NURSE 7310

NURSE 8425: Reproductive and Sexual Health Primary Care
Credit Hour: 3.5-4
Prerequisites: NURSE 8610

NURSE 8640: Group Therapy and Social Skills Training
Application of group and behavioral methods in mental health prevention, promotion, maintenance, and restoration. Designing, implementing, and evaluating mental health promotion groups and social skills training programs.

Credit Hour: 3.5-4
Prerequisites: NURSE 8610

NURSE 8660: Mental Health Nursing Interventions for Families
Application of nursing and family theories in advanced nursing management of families experiencing a variety of problems. Emphasis on designing, implementing, and evaluating advanced nursing interventions for families.

Credit Hour: 3.5-4
Prerequisites: NURSE 8620 or consent of instructor

NURSE 8680: Pediatric Mental Health Assessment and Treatment
Develops advanced skills in psychiatric assessment and follow-up evaluation of children and adolescents experiencing mental health problems. Explores diagnosis, treatment, and management of child and adolescent mental health disorders. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hour: 3.5-4
Prerequisites: NURSE 8610 or faculty consent

NURSE 8700: Clinical Management of Acute and Critical Care Problems
Advanced practice nurse management of selected clinical problems across the lifespan commonly encountered in the acute and/or critical care settings. Patient safety, technology, and product selection addressed. Integrated clinical practicum with selected population and setting. May be repeated for credit.

Credit Hour: 3.5-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 7140

NURSE 8710: Clinical Management of Acute and Critical Care Problems
Advanced practice nurse management of selected clinical problems across the lifespan commonly encountered in the acute and/or critical care settings. Patient safety, technology, and product selection addressed. Integrated clinical practicum with selected population and setting. May be repeated for credit.

Credit Hour: 3.5-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 7140, NURSE 8410 or instructor's consent

NURSE 8720: Symptom Management in Acute and Chronic Illness
Clinical management of symptoms of acute and chronic illness across the lifespan. Preparation for teaching patient self-management strategies. Integrated clinical practicum with selected population and setting.

Credit Hour: 3-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 8610 and NURSE 7140 or faculty consent

NURSE 8720: Symptom Management in Acute and Chronic Illness
Clinical management of symptoms of acute and chronic illness across the lifespan. Preparation for teaching patient self-management strategies. Integrated clinical practicum with selected population and setting.

Credit Hour: 3-5
Prerequisites: NURSE 8610 and NURSE 7150 or faculty consent

NURSE 8820: Health Care Financial Management
Prepares nurses to use the techniques that facilitate financial analysis and decision-making for patient care programs across the healthcare continuum. Focuses on efficient, effective management of resources for delivery of quality healthcare services. Prerequisites: NURSE 7100

Credit Hours: 4

NURSE 8830: Informatics Applications and Innovations in Health Care Systems
This course explores informatics from the perspective of health related fields through technology assessment and evaluation, and research and development in technological innovations. The impact of technology on patient privacy will also be examined. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7087 or instructor's consent

NURSE 8840: Nursing Leadership, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship
This course will provide an overview of leadership theories and strategies for managing individuals, groups, or systems within rapidly changing healthcare environments. Innovative and cutting edge phenomena in healthcare will be explored as well as entrepreneurship. May be repeated for credit. Graded on A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7087 or instructors consent

NURSE 8854: Teaching Strategies in Nursing
Examines principles, issues, techniques, and evaluation methods in teaching nursing. Focuses on the development of a variety of teaching strategies and evaluation methods for didactic and clinical settings.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7100 and NURSE 7110 or instructor's consent

NURSE 8860: Organizations & Human Resource Management in Nursing
This course will examine various organizational theories, organizational behavior, and the impact of change within organizations. Participants will apply and analyze workforce management principles in regard to
employee rights, resources, and responsibilities. May be repeated for credit. Graded on an A-F basis only.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7087 or instructors consent

NURSE 8864: Curriculum Development in Nursing
Examines theoretical foundations, principles, and issues in curriculum design. Explores systematic evaluation of curriculum at all levels.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7100 and NURSE 7110 or instructor's consent

NURSE 8890: Clinical/Scholarly Project
Design, implement and evaluate nursing projects derived from theory, including written report with explanation or justification to support the empirical and/or theoretical basis for the project. Graded on a S/U basis only.

Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7100, NURSE 7150, graduate statistics

NURSE 8900: Research Practicum in Nursing
Selected independent research activities in conjunction with ongoing research programs of faculty. Graded on S/U basis only.

Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7150, graduate statistics, instructor's consent

NURSE 8910: Translational Evidence-Based Nursing Practice
Provides essential skills for utilizing research to support practice change: assessing practice based problems, analyzing current evidence, proposing practice changes, and developing plans for implementing evidence-based practice concepts.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 8100 or faculty consent

NURSE 8920: Quality, Safety, and Performance Outcomes
Uses information systems to identify and analyze patient safety and other clinical issues and recommend system-wide actions and measurement plans that result in safe, effective, efficient, equitable, patient-centered outcomes.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 8910

NURSE 8930: Health Program Design and Management
Designing, implementing and evaluating effective health programs. Addresses leadership and organizational change issues.

Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 8920 or instructor's consent

NURSE 8940: Nursing and Health Policy
Designed to explore and critically evaluate the role of nursing and nurse leaders/scholars in health policy development and the organization and financing of health care in response to the health and social needs of the public.

Credit Hours: 3

NURSE 8950: Teaching Nursing Practicum
Participation in application of principles and methods of teaching, learning, and evaluation to the education of nursing students. Graded on S/U basis only.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: NURSE 8854 and NURSE 8864

NURSE 8954: Distance-Mediated Teaching Nursing Practicum
Faculty-guided application of distance mediated teaching, learning, and evaluation methods with graduate &/or undergraduate nursing students. Course graded on S/U basis only.

Credit Hours: 4
Prerequisites: NURSE 8854 and NURSE 8864 or equivalents

NURSE 8960: Leadership in Nursing and Healthcare Systems Practicum
Participation in application of principles and methods of leadership, management, and evaluation to facilitate patient care operations in various settings. Graded on an S/U basis only.

Credit Hours: 5
Prerequisites: NURSE 8800, NURSE 8810, NURSE 8820

NURSE 8980: Advanced Clinical Nursing Practicum
Intensive preceptor or faculty-guided clinical experience that synthesizes previous theory and clinical coursework. Refines knowledge and skills required to transition to an autonomous advanced nursing practice role. Graded on S/U basis only.

Credit Hour: 2-7
Prerequisites: NURSE 8910 or faculty consent

NURSE 9070: DNP Clinical Residency
Intensive clinical experience. Prepare experts in advanced nursing practice and leadership to effectively evaluate practice problems, translate evidence into practice, monitor outcomes, and implement innovative models of care. May be repeated for credit. Some sections may be graded on either an A-F or S/U basis only.

Credit Hour: 1-5
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 8930 and NURSE 9070

NURSE 9080: DNP Residency Project
Final synthesis of DNP coursework culminating in an in-depth practice change project or case analysis impacting a rural or other underserved population or critical healthcare system need. May be repeated for credit. Some sections may be offered on an A-F or S/U graded basis only.

Credit Hour: 1-3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 8930 and NURSE 9070

NURSE 9087: Leadership and Transformational Role Institute
Synthesis of advanced nursing practice knowledge and leadership skills. Prepares DNP graduate to implement an advanced nursing practice role that will result in practice and/or policy change at the local, state, or national levels. May be repeated for credit.

Credit Hours: 2
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 9080 and NURSE 9070
NURSE 9090: Research in Nursing and Health
Original research leading to dissertation. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-12
Prerequisites: Instructor's consent

NURSE 9100: State of the Science
The existing body of research literature is the foundation upon which new scientific knowledge is built. This course will guide the student through the purpose and processes of scholarly writing. Students will conduct a systematic review of the scientific literature on a selected focus area in the health sciences. Students will work with course faculty, with input from the student's advisor, to develop and implement strategies to search, evaluate, and synthesize the literature in the selected area. Scholarly writing will be emphasized in this course. Graded on an A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: Admission to a doctoral program or permission of instructor

NURSE 9120: Philosophical and Theoretical Basis for Research
Based on an understanding of the philosophy of science, critically appraise and adapt conceptual models and theoretical frameworks for use in research.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7100 or faculty consent

NURSE 9131: Responsible Conduct of Research in the Health and Social Sciences
(same as H_D_FS 9131) This course examines professional research ethics including the rights of human subjects. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1
Prerequisites: Instructor's permission required

NURSE 9132: Writing Research Grants: Skill Building
(same as H_D_FS 9130). This course teaches the components of writing a research grant for external funding. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 9120, graduate research methods course, or instructor's permission

NURSE 9410: Advanced Quantitative Methods
(same as H_D_FS 9200). Study of explanatory and predictive quantitative designs in health-related research, including nested, double-blind, time series, casual models, retrospective cohort; secondary database use will be explored.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 9131, Advanced Statistics Course

NURSE 9420: Qualitative Methods
(same as H_D_FS 9420) Examines the following selected qualitative research approaches appropriate for the study of nursing phenomena and the extension or modification of scientific knowledge so as to be relevant to nursing: case study research methods, verbal qualitative approaches, and nonverbal qualitative approaches. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 7150 and doctoral status (or permission of faculty)

NURSE 9450: Doctoral Seminar: Social Determinants of Health
Doctoral seminar on defining, measuring and conducting research on social determinants of health. May be repeated for credit.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: NURSE 9120 and NURSE 9410

NURSE 9460: Theories and Interventions in Health Behavior Science
Focuses on health behavior science theories, linking theories to measurement, and designing health behavior interventions. Graded on A-F basis only.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 9100, NURSE 9120 or faculty consent

NURSE 9470: Technology Evaluation in Health Care Systems Research
(same as HMI 9440). Examines technology applications and evaluation methods used to determine outcomes, efficiencies, effectiveness, satisfaction, and cost of using technology. Prerequisites: 6 credit hours of graduate statistics; Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 9410 or faculty consent

NURSE 9540: Seminar in Nursing
Course content varies. May be repeated to a maximum of six hours.
Credit Hour: 1-99

NURSE 9550: Meta-Analysis Research
(Same as H_D_FS 9550). Examines quantitative synthesis including research questions, search strategies, coding issues, meta-analysis statistical procedures, and interpretation of findings. Emphasizes conceptual understanding and practical methods.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 9100 or faculty consent

NURSE 9560: Qualitative Systematic Reviews
(Same as SOC_WK 9560 and H_D_FS 9560) Examine and carry out elements of qualitative systematic reviews: topic/problem identification, data collection, and analysis. Understand how to limit threats to validity and maximize generalizability.
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisites: 6 credit hours of graduate statistics courses, NURSE 9410 or graduate level qualitative methods course

NURSE 9710: Advanced Research Practicum
Mentored research experience designed by student, mentor, and program committee based on student's substantive areas of interest and program of research. Graded on S/U basis only.
Credit Hour: 1-6
Prerequisites or Corequisites: NURSE 9120; advisor consent