PRE-NURSING GUIDELINES

STUDENTS CAN EXPECT AT LEAST THREE SEMESTERS OF PREREQUISITE COURSE WORK BEFORE APPLYING TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING. THIS IS A FOUR YEAR, 127-129 DEGREE HOUR PLAN. ALL PRE-MAJOR AND MAJOR COURSES MUST HAVE A “C” OR BETTER. AN APPROPRIATE SCORE IS REQUIRED ON THE MANDATORY STANDARDIZED ADMISSION EXAM TAKEN AT TIME OF APPLICATION.

STUDENTS ARE ACCEPTED BASED ON THEIR GPA AND HESI SCORES. STUDENTS BEGIN THE NURSING PROGRAM IN EITHER THE SPRING OR FALL TERMS. THE MINIMUM GPA FOR ELIGIBILITY IS 2.75 (THE AVERAGE GPA IS 3.500 OR ABOVE).

TO ENSURE ACADEMIC SUCCESS, PRE-NURSING STUDENTS SHOULD VISIT WITH THEIR ADVISOR EACH SEMESTER. STUDENTS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO UPDATE ANY CHANGES IN ADDRESS, PHONE, EMAIL, ETC.

IT IS THE STUDENT’S RESPONSIBILITY TO KNOW THEIR DEGREE PLAN, BE AWARE OF THE NMSU REGISTRATION SCHEDULE AND ENROLL IN CLASSES ON THEIR DESIGNATED DATE.

WHEN YOU ARE REGISTERED IN THE LAST OF YOUR PREREQUISITES, A NURSING APPLICATION IS REQUIRED AND IS AVAILABLE FROM THE PRE-NURSING ADVISOR IN THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES, SUITE 110.

FINAL ACCEPTANCE TO THE NURSING PROGRAM IS DETERMINED BY THE SCHOOL OF NURSING AND IS BASED ON YOUR GPA FOR THE PREREQUISITE COURSES AND YOUR SCORES ON THE ADMISSION EXAM. THERE IS A SEPARATE APPLICATION PROCESS BECAUSE ENROLLMENT IS LIMITED EACH FALL AND SPRING SEMESTER.

DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING YOUR NURSING APPLICATION ARE:
- FEBRUARY 1ST FOR THE FOLLOWING FALL SEMESTER
- SEPTEMBER 1ST FOR THE FOLLOWING SPRING SEMESTER

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New Mexico State University
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE NURSING

Beginning Summer 2013

University/Statewide Common Core (35cr)
Courses listed below will meet NMSU requirements. Courses are guaranteed to transfer to other New Mexico Schools as part of the New Mexico Common Core

I – COMMUNICATIONS (9-10 cr)
a. College Level English Comp (3-4)
   Engl 111G, Engl 111H, or Spcd 111G
b. College Level Writing (3)
   Engl 203G, 211G, 218G, 311G, or 318G
c. Public Speaking (3)
   Axed 201G, Comm 253G, Comm 265G, Hon 265G

II – MATHEMATICS (3 cr)
A ST 251, A ST 311/STAT 251, STAT 271
Hon 210G, or Hon/Math 275G

III – LABORATORY SCIENCE (8 cr)
Anth 130G/130L, Astr 105G, 110G
Agro/Hort 100G
Biol 101G/L, 110/L, 111G/L, 211G/L, Hon 205G
Chem 110G/L, 111G/L, 112G/L
CS 171G
ES 110G, Geog 111G, Geol 111G, 212, Hon 219G
HNDs 263G
Phys 110G, 120, 211/L, 212/L, 215/L, 216/L, 221/211L, 222/212L

IV – SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (6-9 cr)
AGE/HNFS 210G
Geog 112G, 120G
HLS 150, SWK 221G,
Jour 105G, Ling 200G
Psy 201G, Hon 203G, 232G
Soc 101G, 201G, Hon 235G
W S 201G, 202G

V - HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS (6-9 cr)
239G, 244G
Mus 101G, 201G, Hon 208G
Thtr 101G, Hon 270G

SUGGESTED FORMAT FOR P-NUR CURRICULUM

FRESHMAN YEAR

SEMESTER 1
Communications (I.a.) ENGL 111G 3-4 cr _______
Math 121G (college algebra) (II) 3 cr _______
Chem 110G, w/lab (III) 4 cr _______
Biol 211G w/lab (Cellular) (III) 4 cr _______
Psy 201G (IV) 3 cr _______
17-18cr

SEMESTER 2
Communications (I.b.) ENGL 211G or 218G 3 cr _______
Biol 353 Anatomy or A&P II 4 cr _______
Biol 353 Lab 1 cr _______
A ST 311G/Stat 251 3 cr _______
HNDs 251 or 163 (Nutrition) 3 cr _______
C EP 110G (Human Growth/Behavior) (IV) 3 cr _______
17 cr

SOPHOMORE YEAR

SEMESTER 3
Biol 254 Physiology or A&P I 3 cr _______
Communications (Ic.) COMM265G 3 cr _______
Biol 219 or 311 (Microbiology) 3 cr _______
Biol 311 lab (Microbiology lab) 2 cr _______
Humans/Fine Arts (V) 3 cr _______
14 cr

PREREQUISITES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED

To take CHEM110/L you must have appropriate MATH (check w/your advisor)
To take BIOL 254, 253/L and 219 or 311/L, you must have a “C” or better in BIOL211/L
To take NURS 328 you must have successfully completed Anatomy & Physiology with passing grades.
School of Nursing requires Math 121 or Math 142G

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*** Applications must be requested from the pre-Nursing advisors. Grades and class requirements will be confirmed before applications will be given out.

Deadlines for applications and admission exam scores:
February 1 for Fall Cohort
September 1 for Spring Cohort

Minimum GPA: 2.75 in pre-Nursing classes
Minimum Admission Exam Score: 75% in ALL categories

Viewing a Wider World (6 crs). NMSU Upper Division Graduation Requirement (min. 48 crs). Science courses must be taken within 7 yrs. of application to the BSN program and must include associated labs. All pre-major and major courses must have a “C” or better.

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# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE NURSING (BSN)
## CORE CURRICULUM

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<td><strong>NURS 328</strong> Human Pathophysiology - Foundations for Nursing</td>
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A grade of “C” is required in all courses
With the exception of NURS 328, all NURS courses are only open to those admitted to the Nursing Major.
Total credits: 127-129   **Nursing: 68**