

# RN-BSN/MSN Program Curriculum Rotation for Charleston Area Medical Center



A registered nurse may apply to take designated graduate nursing courses to fulfill requirements in the BSN program. Students earn a BSN with additional course work applying to the completion of an MSN. All courses are offered online.

Course Rotation	Credits	Course
<b>Summer 2011</b>		
Liberal arts core	6	
<b>Fall 2011</b>		
NUR 361	3	Concepts of Nursing Practice
Liberal arts core	6	
<b>Spring 2012</b>		
NUR 460	3	Comprehensive Assessment
Liberal arts core	6	
<b>Summer 2012</b>		
MSN 503 or NUR 426	3/2	Health Care Policy & Politics or Nursing Trends & Issues
Liberal arts core	3	
<b>Fall 2012</b>		
MSN 501 or NUR 327	3	Nursing Research or Elements of Research in Nursing
MSN 500	3	Nursing Theories
Liberal arts core	6	
<b>Spring 2013</b>		
NUR 435	4	Multisystem Nursing Care
NUR 445	2	Complex Nursing Care I
MSN 525 or NUR 455	3/2	Health Care Delivery Systems or Complex Care II
<b>Summer 2013</b>		
MSN 533 or NUR 440	3/2	Health Promotion or Clinical Practicum I
NUR 450	2	Clinical Practicum II
Liberal arts core	6	
<b>Fall 2013</b>		
Liberal arts core	6	

Liberal arts core courses can be taken during any semester in which the course is offered. Course rotation is subject to change. Courses are offered on a traditional semester system (15 weeks in Fall/Spring) and (6 weeks in Summer).

Liberal arts core courses include:

ENG 105, Process of Composition  
LIT 120, Literary Foundations  
LIT 250, Literary Explorations  
FAS 105, Fine Arts Exploration  
MAT 105, Introduction to Statistics  
SSC 105, Introduction to Social Science  
HIS 110, The Twentieth Century  
HIS 120, Historical Methods

Choice of foreign language or Global Perspectives  
PSY 110, General Psychology  
PHI 105, Logic and Knowledge  
PHI 205, Philosophy of the Human Person  
PHI 305, Ethics for Healthcare  
RST 106, The Religious Quest or RST 107, Catholicism  
RST 200, Select a 200 level course  
Science courses: Two courses from separate disciplines

<b>Total Nursing Credits</b>	<b>25 for BSN</b>	<b>32 for MSN</b>
<b>Total Liberal Arts Core</b>	<b>51</b> ( <i>Typical RN will transfer 12 or more hours</i> )	
<b>Total Credits Awarded</b>	<b>46</b>	
<b>Total Nursing Challenges</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>Total Credits Needed</b>	<b>127</b> ( <i>Six (6) hours of sciences are counted toward liberal arts core courses as well as science challenges</i> )	

Science courses include Chemistry, Anatomy, Physiology and Epidemiology. The RN may challenge these courses if the student has not obtained college credit and transferred the course. Challenges consist of take-home projects designed to demonstrate the student's mastery of the appropriate knowledge and skills.

All registered nurses with a current, active RN license in the United States are awarded 46 hours of nursing credits after successful completion of 12 credits in the nursing major with a "C" or above. This applies to both Associate degree and Diploma nurses.

Individual programs may vary depending on courses transferred. WJU will accept transfer credits regardless of time frame. Most liberal arts core courses will be waived in lieu of a bachelor's degree with the exception of courses unique to a Jesuit education. Each student will be assigned a personal advisor dedicated to their enrollment from admissions to graduation.

Pricing Structure:

**RN-BSN Track: \$17,280 (Maximum tuition cost)**

- + 39 hours of core requirements
- + 25 hours of nursing
- + Challenges at additional fee
- + Fees are not waived but will be held at 2011-2012 prices

**RN-MSN Track: \$22,410 (Maximum tuition cost)**

- + 39 hours of core requirements
- + 17 hours of BSN level nursing
- + 15 hours of MSN level nursing
- + Challenges at additional fee
- + Fees are not waived but will be held at 2011-2012 prices

Fee Structure:

- + Tuition for Liberal Arts Core Courses/BSN courses: \$300 per credit hour
- + Tuition for MSN courses: \$540 per credit hour
- + Technology Fee: \$125 per semester
- + Graduation Fee: \$260 final semester
- + Challenge Fee: \$140 per credit hour
- + New Student Fee: \$125 initial semester

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## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### BSN COURSES

#### **NUR 327 Elements of Research in Nursing (2 crs)**

Critical review and analysis of research in nursing. Specific guided reviews of research reports are conducted.

Prerequisite: NUR 361 and MAT 105

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#### **NUR 361 Concepts of Nursing Practice (3 crs)**

Emphasis on theory and concept identification in nursing, including general systems theory and the behavioral systems model. A focus on assessment includes health, physical and family assessments. This is a transition course for registered nurse students.

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#### **NUR 426 Nursing Trends and Issues (2 crs)**

Analysis of the evolution and significance of current trends and issues in nursing.

Prerequisite: NUR 361

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#### **NUR 435 Multisystem Nursing Care (4 crs)**

The course examines the care of the client with multisystem needs.

Prerequisite: NUR 361

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#### **NUR 440 Clinical Practicum I (2 crs)**

Clinical experience with a focus on the care of the client with multi-system needs in chronic illness with the focus on health promotion.

Prerequisite: Taken concurrently with or following NUR 435

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#### **NUR 445 Complex Care I (2 crs)**

This course examines nursing management concepts in the care of the clients with complex needs.

Prerequisite: NUR 361 and NUR 327

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#### **NUR 450 Clinical Practicum II (2 crs)**

Clinical experience with a focus on clinical management of clients with complex needs applying the principles of case management.

Prerequisite: Taken concurrently with or following NUR 445

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#### **NUR 455 Complex Care II (2 crs)**

This course examines clinical management of clients utilizing the principles of case management.

Prerequisite: NUR 361, NUR 327

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#### **NUR 460 Comprehensive Assessment (3 crs)**

This course examines in-depth principles and technologies for physical, family and community assessment.

Prerequisite: NUR 361 and science challenges

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#### **PSY 212 Developmental Psychology (3 crs)**

An analysis of development throughout the life-span, with special emphasis on various theoretical approaches to development.

Prerequisite: PSY 110

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## MSN COURSES: 15 CREDITS

### **MSN 500 Nursing Theories (3 crs)**

An examination of conceptual models and theories used to guide nursing education, practice and research.

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### **MSN 501 Nursing Research I (3 crs)**

Utilization of the research process with the goal of applying the research process and critiquing articles in the area of interest to the student.

Prerequisite: MSN 500 and MAT105; can be taken concurrently with MSN 500

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### **MSN 503 Health Care Policy and Politics (3 crs)**

The study of political, social, economic and ethical influences within the health care delivery system. Special attention is given to how change occurs and to how government regulations, consumerism, and court, agency and legislative actions impact on health care.

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### **MSN 525 Health Care Delivery Systems (3 crs)**

Explores the impact of managed care on the healthcare system. Emphasis is on the understanding and implementing aspects of managed care and includes the financial, legal and ethical issues. The use of critical pathways and the role of the case manager are also addressed.

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### **MSN 533 Health Promotion (3 crs)**

Current research and practice trends in health promotion and disease prevention will be examined.

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### **Sciences or NUR 280-284 (11 credits)**

Chemistry (3 crs)

Anatomy (3 crs)

Physiology (3 crs)

Epidemiology (Microbiology) (2 crs)

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### **Nursing courses awarded after successful completion of 12 credits in Nursing (46 credits)**

NUR 323, Introduction to Pathophysiology (2 crs)

NUR 227, Clinical Nutrition (1 cr)

NUR 329, Pharmacology (2 crs)

NUR 230, Basic Care (5 crs)

NUR 335, Systems Concepts (1 cr)

NUR 203, Health Assessment (1 cr)

NUR 309, Introduction to Nursing Care (10 crs)

NUR 319, Acute Nursing Care I (7 crs)

NUR 320, Acute Nursing Care II (6 crs)

NUR 421, Pathophysiology (2 crs)

NUR 326, Psychopathology (2 crs)

NUR 350, Basic Clinical Practicum (7 crs)

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