

The Baccalaureate Nursing Degree

The BSN Program provides the nursing graduate, following completion of the state licensing exam for Registered Nurses, the knowledge to function as a beginning nurse, nurse manager or leader in various health care settings. In addition, the graduates are prepared to enter graduate nursing programs in order to advance their careers.

Academic Program

The basic preparation for professional nursing practice is the baccalaureate level. Baccalaureate education prepares the nurse to function as a generalist utilizing the triad of research, teaching, and practice in providing nursing care in traditional and nontraditional settings. The professional nurse is broadly prepared to assume responsibilities as a leader, client advocate, change agent, health care provider, health teacher and consumer of research. Baccalaureate education also prepares the graduate for further educational endeavors and future roles in nursing.

Clinical Learning

The student utilizes several clinical settings to develop skills necessary to provide safe and efficient care at different levels. In the clinical setting, the student performs care under the direction of an ASU nursing faculty member. Satisfactory completion is required in each clinical course.

Requirements

Admission requirements to be submitted to the Albany State University Department of Nursing.

To enter the BSN concentration, students must meet the requirements established for all undergraduate degree programs at ASU. Applicants should contact the Chair or the BSN Coordinator of the Department of Nursing well in advance of the planned entry date. In addition, the applicant should:

- Submit a nursing application to the Nursing Office
- Have a nursing core class GPA of at least 2.75
- Have completed at least 5 of the 5 required Sciences with no more than 1 Science failure
- Successfully completed English 1101 & 1102 with a grade of C or higher
- Have passed the nursing admission exam
- Submit documentation of immunization status and a current health record to Student Health Services
- Submit documentation of CPR Certification

Undergraduate Nursing Curriculum

The following undergraduate nursing courses are required:

COURSE		CR HRS
COHP 212	0 Growth & Development/Health Professions	3
NURS 221	0 Pharmacology	3
NURS 123	2 Pre-Nursing Seminar	2
NURS 260	1 Introduction to Geriatric Nursing	3
NURS 223	1 Fundamental Concepts in Professional Nursin	ng 5
NURS 233	1 Adult Health Nursing I	5
NURS 313	4 Pediatric Nursing	5
NURS 313	6 Womens' Health Nursing	5
NURS 332	0 Pathophysiology	3
NURS 333	5 Mental Health Nursing	5
NURS 351	0 Health Assessment	3
NURS 413	1 Nursing Research	3
NURS 414	0 Leadership/Management	2
NURS 424	0 Community Health Nursing	5
NURS 434	2 Adult Health Nursing II	5
NURS 434	5 Senior Comprehensive Nursing	5
NURS 411	1 NCLEX Prep	3

Accreditation

The Undergraduate Nursing Program at Albany State University is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission and the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The BSN Program is approved by the Georgia Board of Nursing.