

Pittsburg State University Guides You to Success

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree prepares individuals for careers in nursing and opens many professional opportunities.

The “Future of Nursing Report” issued by the Institute of Medicine and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation recommends that 80 percent of registered nurses have a Bachelor of Science in Nursing by 2020. The American Nurses Association is promoting an initiative requiring future nurses to obtain a BSN within 10 years after completion of an associate degree in nursing.

The Pittsburg State University Department of Nursing is committed to assisting nurses from associate degree programs to further their education. Our nursing program is largely online. There are two courses which require on campus time:

- Transitions into Baccalaureate Nursing– meets on campus twice;
- Client/Family Theory and Practicum– the capstone courses meet four times on campus in the summer.

Clinical requirements for the RN-BSN student are met through licensure as a registered nurse (RN), validation of current nursing practice as a RN and through completion of integrated clinical assignments and activities which meet the program clinical objectives. There are no supervised clinical experiences.

It is important to make certain the correct courses are taken from Fort Scott Community College in order to seamlessly complete a BSN degree from Pittsburg State University.

Pittsburg State University’s Nursing Program participates in the Kansas Articulation Plan to promote educational mobility for registered nurses. Registered nurses must validate prior learning in order to receive credit for up to 37 hours of upper division nursing courses for the Pittsburg State University BSN program. Validation is accomplished by:

1. Achieving a passing score on the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN), as evidenced by a current license to practice as a Registered Nurse.
2. A validation letter of three months of current RN nursing practice.
3. Successful completion of NURS 304 Transitions into Baccalaureate Nursing Practice course with a grade of “C” or above.
4. Completion of NURS 723 Client/Family Health: Theory, Assessment, Promotion and NURS 724 Client/Family Health: Practicum courses with a grade of “C” or above.

Required Nursing Courses from Pittsburg State University

RN-BSN COURSES	CREDITS
N265 Health Promotions Disease Prevention.....	2
N304 Transitions into Baccalaureate Nursing.....	1
N320 Health Assessment.....	3
N405 Health Alterations in Older Adults.....	3
N482 Research in Nursing.....	2
N502 Community Nursing	4
N521 Leadership Roles and Management Functions in Nursing	3
N525 Advanced Medical Surgical Nursing of the Adult Client.....	6
N723 Client/Family Health Theory, Assessment, Promotion.....	2
N724 Client/Family Health: Practicum.....	2
Nursing Elective.....	2-10
Total.....	30-38

Total hours for Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree

	CREDITS
General education and basic courses.....	62-66
Nursing course credits from PSU.....	30-38
Validation course credits from Associate degree in Nursing	37
Total.....	129-141

Based on equivalencies as of 7-20-2012

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PSU BASIC REQUIREMENTS	FORT SCOTT EQUIVALENTS	CR.HRS	TAKEN
COMM 207 Speech Communication	SPE 1093 Public Speaking or SPE 2013 Interpersonal Communication	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENGL 101 English Composition	ENGL 1013 English 101	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENGL 299 Intro to Research Writing	ENGL 1023 English 102	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
MATH 113 College Algebra	MAT 1083 College Algebra	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
CHEM 105 and CHEM 106 Introductory Chemistry & Lab	CHE 1095 Basic Chemistry or CHE 1015 General Chemistry	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology	SOC 1013 Sociology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
POLS 101 US Politics	POL 1013 American Government	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
PSYCH 155 General Psychology	PSY 1013 General Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
FCS 203 Nutrition and Health	NUT 1213 Nutrition	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Select one from two of the following two categories: 6			<input type="checkbox"/>
Economy			
ECON 191 Issues in Today's Economy	ECO 1013 Microeconomics or ECO 2023 Macroeconomics		
FCS 230 Consumer Education	ECO 2702 Personal Finance and Money Management		
Business			
ACCTG 201 Financial Accounting	BUS 2013 Financial Accounting		
CSIS 130 Computer Info. Systems	COM 1053 Intro to Computer Science		
MGMKT 101 Intro to Business	BUS 1273 Introduction to Business		
Select one of the following: 3			<input type="checkbox"/>
ART 178 Intro to the Visual Arts	ART 1053 Art Appreciation		
ART 217 Crafts I	ART 2013 Crafts I		
ART 222 Jewelry Design	ART 1733 Hand wrought Jewelry		
ART 233 Drawing I	ART 1013 Drawing and Composition I or ART 1023 Drawing and Composition II		
ART 244 Ceramics I	ART 2063 Ceramics I		
ART 266 Sculpture I	ART 2093 Sculpture		
ART 277 Painting I	ART 1033 Watercolor I		
ART 288 Western Art History I	ART 1743 Art History I		
ART 289 Western Art History II	ART 1753 Art History II		
ART 311 Art Education	ART 2103 Art for Elementary Teachers		
COMM 105 Performance Appreciation	DRA 1313 Theatre Appreciation		
ENGL 250 Intro to Creative Writing	ENG 2313 Creative Writing		
MUSIC 120 Music Appreciation	MUS 1213 Music Appreciation		
MUSIC 121 Intro to Music Literature	MUS 1233 Introduction to Music Literature		

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GEOG 106 World Regional Geography	GEO 1023 World Regional Geography	3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Select one from two of the following three categories: 6			<input type="checkbox"/>
History			
HIST 101 World History to 1500	HIS 2013 History of Civilization I		
HIST 102 World History from 1500	HIS 2023 History of Civilization II		
HIST 201 American History to 1885	HIS 1013 United States History 101		
HIST 202 American History from 1885	HIS 1023 United States History 102		
Literature			
ENGL 113 General Literature	ENG 2293 General Literature or ENG 2013 American Literature		
ENGL 114 General Literature (Genre)	ENG 2023 American Literature II		
ENGL 116 General Literature (Theme)	ENG 2213 Intro to Literature: Drama ENG 2223 Intro to Literature: Poetry ENG 2233 Intro to Literature: Am. Fiction ENG 2253 Intro to Literature: Short Story		
Philosophy			
PHIL 103 Introduction to Philosophy	PHI 1113 Philosophy of Life		
PHIL 208 Logic and Critical Thinking	PHI 1133 Classical Formal Logic		
PHIL 231 World Religions	REL 1093 Religions of the World		
Additional PSU Nursing Program requirements:			
BIOL 257 and 258 Anatomy & Physiology/Lab	BIO 1255 Anatomy and Physiology	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
BIOL 371 and 372 General Microbiology/Lab	BIO 1245 Microbiology	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
PSYCH 263 Developmental Psychology	PSYCH 1023 Developmental Psychology	3	<input type="checkbox"/>

Check our website for program or equivalency changes.
The Department of Nursing reserves the right to make changes if necessary.