

# NURSING, EAU CLAIRE PROGRAM, COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR

(Code 700-004)

## University Requirements

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

Credit Requirements	
Minimum total for graduation <sup>1</sup>	120
Upper division credits (courses numbered 300 and higher)	39
Liberal Education Core ( <a href="http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header1">http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header1</a> )	36
Academic Concentrations ( <a href="http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header16">http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header16</a> )	
Grade Point Requirements ( <a href="http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header14">http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header14</a> ) <sup>2</sup>	
Total	2.00 average
Resident	2.00 average
Major	2.00 average
Minor	2.00 average
Certificate	2.00 average
University Residency Requirements ( <a href="http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header15">http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header15</a> )	
Minimum total	30
Senior year	23
Major, Standard, upper division in residence	12
Major, Comprehensive, upper division in residence	21
Certificate	25 percent of credits

### Procedures Required for Graduation

Obtain admission to the degree program and/or the College offering it.

Apply for graduation on CampS.

<sup>1</sup> Certain programs exceed this minimum.

<sup>2</sup> See special requirements in each College.

## Applicability of Credits Toward Graduation

**Junior College or Two-Year College Credits.** A maximum of 72 semester credits earned in a junior college or two-year college will be accepted as degree credits at UW-Eau Claire.

**Extension Credits.** Credits earned in credit outreach courses offered by UW-Eau Claire are treated as resident credits. Credits earned in extension courses offered by other units of the University of Wisconsin System are treated as transfer credits. All other (non-UW) extension and correspondence credits are normally limited to one-fourth of the total required for graduation from any curriculum.

**WTCS Credits.** A maximum of 72 semester credits earned in college parallel programs at Madison Area Technical College, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Nicolet Area Technical College, or Chippewa Valley Technical

College may be accepted as degree credits at UW-Eau Claire. A set number of general education courses will be accepted from other technical schools. Occupational and technical courses may also be considered for transfer if the quality and content of the course work from the technical college is judged to be comparable to course work at UW-Eau Claire. Refer to the Transfer Credit Wizard ([https://my.uwec.edu/psp/PUBLIC/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/EAU\\_SS\\_CUSTOM.EAU\\_TRNCRDZW.GBL](https://my.uwec.edu/psp/PUBLIC/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/EAU_SS_CUSTOM.EAU_TRNCRDZW.GBL)) or contact the UW-Eau Claire Admissions Office for information about the current transfer policy.

**USAFI Credit.** UW-Eau Claire will accept up to 32 semester credits for work done through the United States Armed Forces Institute, under the provision for non-UW correspondence credit (see Extension Credits above).

**Activity Credit (band, chorus, drama, KINS 100-184 courses)** Students may count toward graduation no more than one credit of KINS 110-184 courses. Students may count toward graduation no more than four credits earned in any single activity course and no more than 12 credits resulting from any combination of activity courses (excluding KINS 110-184 courses).

**Other Restricted Credits.** For other University restrictions, see the following: Cooperative Education; Credit by Examination; Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Registration; Transfer of Credits. College or departmental restrictions may also be placed on Independent Study (399-499 courses), Directed Study (395-495), and other types of credits.

APPLICABILITY OF CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION	Credit Restrictions
<b>Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory</b>	
Total degree credit	maximum 12
Major, Standard	maximum 1 course
Major, Comprehensive	maximum 2 courses
Minor	maximum 1 course
<b>Credit by Examination</b>	
Total degree credit	maximum ¼ of total
Major or minor	maximum ½ of total
<b>Two-Year College Credits</b>	
Total degree credit	maximum 72 credits
<b>Activity credit (band, chorus, drama, KINS 100-184)</b>	
Total KINS 100-184	maximum 1 credit
Total Band, chorus, drama	maximum 12 credits
Single course band, chorus, drama	maximum 4 credits
<b>Extension credits</b>	
UW-System	no maximum
Other extension/correspondence	maximum ¼ of total
<b>USAFI</b>	
USAFI	maximum 32 credits

## Liberal Education Core

The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire measures learning outcomes to ensure that its graduates have achieved a liberal education and prepared themselves to contribute to a complex society. Upon graduation, each undergraduate will have met the five learning goals of our liberal education core and the 12 learning outcomes they comprise.

### LIBERAL EDUCATION CORE REQUIREMENTS

a minimum of  
36 credits

#### Knowledge Goal

Knowledge Outcome 1 (K1): Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One experience in laboratory science must be selected from either K1 or K2.

Knowledge Outcome 2 (K2): Social Sciences (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k2/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One experience in laboratory science must be selected from either K1 or K2.

Knowledge Outcome 3 (K3): Humanities (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k3/>) Two (2) learning experiences

Knowledge Outcome 4 (K4): Fine Arts (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k4/>) One (1) learning experience

#### Skills Goal

Skills Outcome 1 (S1): Written and Oral Communication (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-S1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One S1 must meet the University Writing Requirement (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header10>)

Skills Outcome 2 (S2): Mathematics (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-S2/>) One (1) learning experience

One S2 to meet the University Mathematics Requirement (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header11>)

Skills Outcome 3 (S3): Creativity (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-S3/>) One (1) learning experience

#### Responsibility Goal

Responsibility Outcome 1 (R1): Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-R1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One R1 must satisfy Design for Diversity (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-DDIV/#header13>)

Responsibility Outcome 2 (R2): Global Perspectives (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-R2/>) One (1) learning experience

Responsibility Outcome 3 (R3): Civic and Environmental Issues (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-R3/>) One (1) learning experience

#### Integration Goal

Integration Outcome 1 (I1): Integration (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-I1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

#### Service-Learning Goal

Service-Learning (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-SL/#header13>) 30 hours

## Admission Requirements

Admission to the Professional Nursing Program. (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/nursing-health-sciences/#collegeadmissionrequirementstext>)

## Major/Degree Requirements

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The nursing major for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree is comprehensive. Students taking a comprehensive major are not required to declare a minor or certificate in another area. However, students who are interested in a minor or certificate are encouraged to discuss options with their adviser. Students must also seek an adviser in the area of the minor.

To qualify for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree, students must complete at least 120 semester credits with a total and resident GPA of at least 2.50; must meet all university requirements for graduation; and must meet all nursing program requirements for the degree.

**Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Policy:** No course required for the degree in nursing may be taken on a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis. Audit enrollment is not allowed.

## Required Non-Nursing Courses

Code	Title	Credits
CHEM 105 & CHEM 106	General Chemistry I Lecture and General Chemistry I Laboratory <sup>1</sup>	5
CHEM 150	Survey of Biochemistry <sup>2</sup>	3
BIOL 214	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIOL 250	Microbiology <sup>3</sup>	3
BIOL 314	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
PSYC 230	Human Development <sup>4</sup>	3
MATH 246 or PSYC 265	Elementary Statistics or Statistical Methods in Psychology I	4
S1 course (excluding Writing Requirement courses) <sup>5</sup>		3

## Required Nursing Courses (60 semester credits)

Code	Title	Credits
NRSRG 245	Pharmacology for Nursing Practice	3
NRSRG 249	Normal and Therapeutic Nutrition in Nursing Practice	2
NRSRG 257	Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice	4
NRSRG 267	Practicum: Foundational Skills for Nursing Practice	3
NRSRG 317	Practicum: Advanced Skills for Nursing Practice	4
NRSRG 327	Nursing Leadership and Systems I	3
NRSRG 337	Nursing Care of Adults and Older Adults I	3
NRSRG 347	Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing	2

NRS 357	Nursing Care of Adults and Older Adults II	4
NRS 359	Practicum: Nursing Care of Adults and Older Adults	2
NRS 367	Community and Public Health Nursing	3
NRS 376	Nursing Care of Women, Infants, and Families	3
NRS 424	Nursing Leadership and Systems II	3
NRS 428	Practicum: Nursing Leadership I <sup>6</sup>	3
NRS 446	Nursing Care of Children and Families	4
NRS 447	Practicum: Nursing Care of Individuals, Infants, Children, and Families	2
NRS 457	Nursing Care of Chronically Ill Patients and Their Families	3
NRS 467	Seminar: Innovative Solutions to Complex Healthcare Problems	2
NRS 477	Practicum: Nursing Leadership II	4
NRS 487	Transition to Professional Nursing Practice	3

<sup>1</sup> CHEM 105 and CHEM 106 required. CHEM 105 and CHEM 106 together meet the nursing general chemistry requirement and constitute one course for the purpose of the nursing admission criteria. Must achieve a grade of C or better in both CHEM 105 and CHEM 106 (not an average of the two).

<sup>2</sup> CHEM 150 available spring semesters at UW-Eau Claire and some fall and winterim terms.

<sup>3</sup> BIOL 250 available fall semesters at UW-Eau Claire and some winterim and summer terms. Course also frequently available at the Wisconsin technical schools.

<sup>4</sup> PSYC 100 is not required for nursing, but it is a prerequisite for PSYC 230 and counts as a LE-K2 experience.

<sup>5</sup> LE-S1 course (excluding Writing Requirement courses) required for Nursing.

<sup>6</sup> NRS 428 meets the university Service-Learning and LE-S3 requirements; provides one integration (LE-I1) experience.

## Independent Study

Under the course numbers 399 and 499, the Department of Nursing in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences provides students with opportunities for student-initiated independent study in areas of special interest with guidance of a faculty member.

*Eligibility.* Independent Study courses are open only to juniors and seniors. A student with a nursing major may elect an Independent Study, provided the student has at least 3.00 resident and total GPAs. Registration requires the permission of the faculty member who agrees to supervise the project and of the department offering the course.

*Restrictions.* One to three credits of Independent Study (399 or 499) may be elected during any semester. A total of no more than six independent study credits in nursing may be counted toward graduation. Independent Study courses may not be applied toward completion of the liberal education requirements.

*Procedure.* The student shall obtain the Independent Study eform from the Registrar's Office website and complete the form in consultation with the supervising faculty member. Initial approval by the department chair is required prior to enrollment.

## Directed Study

Courses numbered 295, 395, and 495 offered by the Nursing Department in the College of Nursing and Health Sciences are designed to permit individual students or groups of students to undertake special projects related to their educational interests and goals.

*Eligibility.* Registration for a Directed Study course requires the permission of the faculty member who agrees to supervise the project and of the department offering the course. Any further conditions of eligibility may be established by the department or published as part of the course description.

*Restrictions.* One to three credits of Directed Study (295, 395, or 495) may be elected during any semester. A total of no more than six directed study credits in nursing may be counted toward graduation. Directed Study courses may not be applied toward completion of the liberal education requirements.

*Procedure.* The student shall obtain the Directed Study eform from the Registrar's Office website and complete the form in consultation with the supervising faculty member. Initial approval by the department chair is required prior to enrollment.

## Program Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from UW-Eau Claire with the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree demonstrate accomplishment of the AACN Essentials\* through:

1. Integrates nursing knowledge with a liberal education foundation and knowledge from other disciplines.
2. Provides holistic, compassionate, coordinated, just, respectful, and developmentally appropriate nursing care that is client-focused and evidence-based.
3. Promotes population health through collaboration, advocacy, and implementation of policies that improve health, health equity, and crisis preparedness.
4. Understands the role of scholarship in nursing practice and uses evidence to improve health and healthcare.
5. Applies principles of safety, risk management, and quality improvement in nursing practice.
6. Intentionally collaborates with care team members including patients, families, communities, stakeholders, and other professions.
7. Coordinates resources across complex healthcare systems to provide safe, quality, and equitable care to diverse populations.
8. Uses informatic processes, technologies, and data to guide, manage, and improve the delivery of healthcare.
9. Demonstrates the formation and cultivation of the professional nursing identity and ethical conduct.
10. Participates in activities that foster personal health and well-being, career-long learning, professional resilience, and the development of nursing expertise and leadership attributes.

\*The Essentials: Core Competencies for Professional Nursing Education, AACN 2021