

Nursing (Bridge Option for Paramedics and Licensed Practical Nurses) Program Roadmap

Use this roadmap to guide your progress and keep you moving toward graduation.

- ✓ **Avoid surprises** – Meet with your advisor each term to monitor your progress and address concerns early.
- ✓ **Review course requirements** – Check course prerequisites, corequisites, and conditions before registering each term to ensure you meet all requirements and stay on track for graduation.
- ✓ **Stay eligible** – Maintain your GPA and complete required courses to remain in good standing.
- ✓ **Graduate on time** – Stay on schedule to avoid delays and excess credit hours that may not be covered by financial aid.

About the Program

Credit Hours: 72 total credit hours (including prerequisite coursework). Total hours may vary based on individual academic plan. Prior to enrolling in classes, please meet with an advisor for specific guidance about your individual academic plan.

Application Procedures

This is a Limited/Selective Access program. Applicants who **complete all requirements by the published review deadline** will be considered for admission. Meeting the minimum requirements makes you eligible for consideration but **does not guarantee admission** to the program. See the program webpage for [additional admissions information](#).

To meet the minimum requirements for consideration for acceptance to the Associate in Science Degree Nursing program, students must:

- Submit a completed Florida State College at Jacksonville application and specify the Associate in Science in Nursing program as the desired interest area. Completed applications should be submitted by the published application deadline for the Nursing program.
- Submit official transcripts and official score reports.
- Complete a minimum of 11 credit hours of prerequisite coursework with a grade of C or higher prior to the application deadline for the Nursing program. A GPA of 2.0 must be maintained.
- Complete a minimum of 19 credit hours of prerequisite coursework with a grade of C or higher prior to admission to the Nursing program. A GPA of 2.0 must be maintained.
- Submit current Health Education Systems, Inc. Admission Assessment (HESI A2/Elsevier A2 Preadmission Test) scores by the application deadline. A complete administration is required and is made up of nine (9) sub-tests and must be completed in one sitting. Scores are taken from a single complete administration that is most advantageous to the applicant. Minimum scores of 75% are required for each of the following sub-tests: grammar, mathematics, reading comprehension and vocabulary. **Note:** Students are limited to three (3) attempts per year on the Health Education Systems, Inc. Admission Assessment (HESI A2/Elsevier A2 Preadmission Test).
- Provide evidence of licensure in the state of Florida as a Licensed Practical Nurse or Paramedic who has worked the equivalent of at least six months in the last two years. Upon verification of Florida licensure students will receive a total of 10 articulated credit hours through the use of NUR1997.

Review Deadline(s)

The application deadline is February 15 each year with classes starting in Summer term.

Minimum Grade Requirement(s)

A minimum grade of C or higher is required in:

- All Prerequisite coursework
- All General Education coursework
- All Professional Nursing coursework

Note: Any student who does not earn a grade of C or higher in a NUR-prefix course will receive a grade of F or FN.

Stay on Track

Meet the associate in science degree graduation requirements:

- Complete all academic requirements for this program outlined in the Florida State College at Jacksonville catalog and curriculum.
- Earn a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (C) at Florida State College at Jacksonville in courses applicable to the Associate in Science degree programs, excluding developmental education courses.
- Earn an all-college cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (C) on a 4.0 scale on all courses attempted. This includes Florida State College at Jacksonville college-credit semester hours and transferred credits (excluding developmental education) in lower division courses.
- Complete at least 25 percent of the total hours required for the program in residence at Florida State College at Jacksonville. Credit by examination and credit for prior learning do not count toward this residency requirement.
- Complete the required semester hours for the degree, as including a minimum of 15 semester hours in General Education.
- Demonstrate competency in civic literacy by:
 - Completing a civic literacy course – AMH 2010, AMH 2020, or POS 2041 – with a grade of C or higher.
 - Achieving of the required standard score on a state-approved assessment.
- Earn a grade of a C or higher in each course used to satisfy the general education requirements and any other area designated as requiring a grade of C or higher.
- Satisfy all financial and other obligations to the College prior to graduation.

More Information Online

Program Webpage: fscj.edu/program?pcode=2335

Program Catalog Page: catalog.fscj.edu/programs/2335

Sample Roadmap for Prerequisite Courses

Courses to be Completed Prior to Review Deadline

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
MAC 1105 – College Algebra or MAC 1105C – College Algebra Enhanced or MAC 1114 – College Trigonometry or MAC 1140 – Precalculus Algebra or MAC 1147 – Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry or MAC 2233 – Calculus for Business and Social Sciences or MAC 2311 – Calculus With Analytic Geometry I or MAC 2312 – Calculus With Analytic Geometry II or MAC 2313 – Calculus With Analytic Geometry III or MAP 2302 – Differential Equations	3–5	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
BSC 2085C – Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
BSC 2086C – Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer

Courses to be Completed Prior to Program Admission

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
ENC 1101 – English Composition I or ENC 1101C – English Composition I Enhanced	3–4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
AMH 2010 – United States History to 1877 or AMH 2020 – United States History from 1877 to the Present or POS 2041 – American Federal Government	3	General Education & Civic Literacy	Fall, Spring, Summer
MCB 2010C – Microbiology Note: Students are strongly recommended to take the Chemistry placement test prior to enrollment in MCB 2010C.	4	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
ARH 2000 – Art in the Humanities or HUM 2020 – Topics in the Humanities or LIT 2000 – Literature in the Humanities or MUL 2010 – Music in the Humanities or PHI 2010 – Philosophy in the Humanities or THE 2000 – Theatre in the Humanities	3	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
DEP 2004 – Human Growth and Development	3	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer
PSY 1012 – General Psychology	3	General Education	Fall, Spring, Summer

Sample Roadmap for Admitted Students

College Credit Earned by Exam

Upon FSCJ validation of licensure in the state of Florida as a paramedic or practical nurse and completion of the required prerequisite coursework, students receive ten (10) college credits for Professional Nursing coursework within the Nursing (Bridge Option for Licensed Paramedics and Licensed Practical Nurses) program.

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
NUR 1997 – Validated Nursing Bridge I: Credit Earned by Exam for Paramedics or Licensed Practical Nurses	10	Professional Nursing	n/a

Term 1

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
NUR 1008C – Transition to Professional Nursing	5	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer
NUR 1411C – Nursing Care of the Family Across the Lifespan (Bridge)	5	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer

Term 2

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
NUR 1212C – Health Alterations Across the Lifespan I	5	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer
NUR 1460C – Health-Illness Concepts Across the Lifespan I	5	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer

Term 3

Course	Credits	Course Type	Terms Offered
NUR 2243C – Nursing Concepts: Families in Crisis–Complex Health Problems I	5	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer
NUR 2242C – Nursing Concepts: Families in Crisis–Complex Health Problems II	5	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer
NUR 2960 – NCLEX Review	2	Professional Nursing	Fall, Spring, Summer