

This example plan is designed to provide a blueprint for students to complete their degrees within four years. It includes recommended sequences of courses. Individual plans will vary based on previously earned credit, such as Dual Enrollment and AP credit, as well as the student's academic goals. Students will work with an academic advisor to develop a more individualized plan to complete their degree.

This example four-year plan is applicable to students admitted during the 2024–25 academic year.

Total Credits Required: 120 credits

Required GPA for Graduation: 2.0 (institutional)

Students' majors will be Undeclared: Nursing Track until they apply and are accepted into the Nursing Cohort.

Courses requiring a C or better are denoted with an asterisk (*). Legend is available on the last page of this document.

Year 1							
Fall				Spring			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area
GCSU 0001	First-Year Academic Seminar	1		GC1Y 1000	Critical Thinking (student's choice) (pre-req to GC2Y 2000)	3	Core
ENGL 1101*	English Composition I (pre-req to ENGL 1102)	3	Core	ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3	Core
Core Math*	Math (student's choice) (pre-req to MATH 1401)	3	Core	MATH 1401*	Elementary Statistics	3	Core
POLS 1101	American Government	3	Core	Core Humanities	Humanities and Ethics (student's choice)	3	Core
BIOL 1120* + BIOL 1120L* or CHEM 1151K*	Biodiversity & Lab or Survey of Chemistry I & Lab (pre-req to CHEM 1152K, BIOL 2251K, and BIOL 2260K)	4	Core	BIOL 1100* + BIOL 1100L* or CHEM 1152K*	Biological Processes & Lab (pre-req to BIOL 2251K and 2260K) or Survey of Chemistry II & Lab	4	Core
Total Semester Hours:		14		Total Semester Hours:		16	
Summer	Many core courses can be taken through summer Study Abroad programs.						
Notes:	ENGL 1101, ENGL 1102, Core Math, and GC1Y 1000 must be completed by 30 earned hours. First-Year Academic Seminar is a graduation requirement and impacts a student's GPA; however, it does not count toward the minimum of 120 semester hours required for a degree.						

Year 2							
Fall				Spring			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area
BIOL 2251K*	Anatomy & Physiology I (pre-req to BIOL 2252K and NRSNG 2780)	4	Field	BIOL 2252K*	Anatomy & Physiology II	4	Field
GC2Y 2000	Global Perspectives (student's choice)	4	Core	BIOL 2260K*	Foundations of Microbiology	4	Field
Core Art	Fine Arts (student's choice)	3	Core	PSYC 2103*	Intro to Human Development	3	Field
HIST 2111 or HIST 2112	The United States to 1877 or The United States Since 1877	3	Core	NRSNG 2780*	Healthcare Delivery Systems (pre-req to NRSNG 3140/3140L and 3240/3240L)	3	Field
				Core Social Science	Social Science (student's choice)	3	Core
Total Semester Hours:		14		Total Semester Hours:		17	
Summer	NRSNG 2780 can be taken in the summer after Year 2, decreasing the spring credit load to 14 hours.						
Notes:	Students typically apply to the BSN program and take the TEAS test after completing the first semester of Year 2. All core curriculum and legislative requirements must be completed prior to the start of the Nursing Cohort. GC2Y 2000 must be taken between 30–59 earned hours.						

Nursing Cohort Semesters 1 & 2

Cohort Semester 1				Cohort Semester 2			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area
NRSG 3140*	Therapeutic Health Assessment	3	Major	NRSG 3440*	Integrated Nursing Management of Adult & Geriatric Clients I	6	Major
NRSG 3140L*				NRSG 3440L*			
NRSG 3240*	Foundations of Nursing Practice	9	Major	NRSG 3540*	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	5	Major
NRSG 3240L*				NRSG 3540L*			
NRSG 3345*	Nursing Pathopharmacology	3	Major	NRSG 3560*	Community & Population-Based Nursing	4	Major
				NRSG 3560L*			
NRSG 4001*	Nursing Seminar: Human Cultures & the World	0	Major	NRSG 4002*	Nursing Seminar: Intellectual & Practical Skills	0	Major
Total Semester Hours:		15		Total Semester Hours:		15	
Notes:	<p>Admission to the nursing program is highly competitive and may be limited based on availability of qualified faculty and maintaining student-to-faculty ratios required by standards of the Georgia Board of Nursing. All students who apply to the major may not be admitted.</p> <p>Students admitted to the nursing program in a given semester will take all listed classes together as a cohort.</p> <p>Study Abroad opportunities in the Philippines, Tanzania, Belize, and Honduras are available as students progress through the program.</p>						

Nursing Cohort Semesters 3 & 4

Cohort Semester 3				Cohort Semester 4			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area
NRSG 4140*	Discovery & Evidence Based Practice in Nursing	2	Major	NRSG 4780*	Leadership & Management in Nursing	3	Major
NRSG 4580*	Integrated Nursing Management of Adult & Geriatric Clients II	8	Major	NRSG 4980*	Transition to Professional Nursing Practice	9	Major
NRSG 4580L*							
NRSG 4665*	Nursing Care of the Family	7	Major	NRSG 4981*	Synthesis of Clinical Reasoning	1	Major
NRSG 4665L*							
NRSG 4003*	Nursing Seminar: Personal & Social Responsibility	0	Major	NRSG 4004*	Nursing Seminar: Integrative & Applied Learning	0	Major
Total Semester Hours:		17		Total Semester Hours:		13	
Summer	NRSG 4140 may be taken as a summer class.						
Notes:	Study Abroad opportunities in the Philippines, Tanzania, Belize, and Honduras are available as students progress through the program. NRSG 4980 is the Nursing capstone course.						

Legend

Area	This section of the plan references the area of the curriculum the course fulfills.
Core	Core IMPACTS — coursework required for every student regardless of major, which includes the following areas: Institutional Priority (GC1Y 1000 and GC2Y 2000); M athematics and Quantitative Skills; P olitical Science and U.S. History; A rts, Humanities, and Ethics; C ommunicating in Writing; T echnology, Mathematics, and Sciences; and S ocial Sciences.
Field	Core Field of Study courses, part of each major's requirements. These courses prepare students for further study in their chosen major field. Field of Study courses are specific to each major program.
Major	Nursing Major requirements