

4-Year Plan of Study
B.S. Nursing
RN to BS Online



Suggested 4-year plan of study

Transferred Courses

Course	Transfer Credits	Credits
Transferred courses	A maximum of 88 credits composed of nursing (30 credits) and liberal arts and science courses taken at another accredited two- or four-year educational institution, if evaluated by the Registrar as equivalent to those offered at Fitchburg State University, is acceptable in transfer. Fitchburg State University Department of Nursing follows the Massachusetts Nursing Education Transfer Compact.	88

Must be taken as first course

Course Number	Course Title	Credits (3)
NURS 3500	Role Transition in Baccalaureate Nursing	3

The following Nursing Courses may be taken in any order

Course Number	Course Title	Credits (21)
NURS 3600	Health and Physical Assessment	3
NURS 3720	Evidence in Nursing Practice* (see note below)	3
NURS 4020	Social Justice and Advocacy	3
NURS 4030	Genomics for Nursing Practice	3
NURS 4040	Health Care Policy and Finance	3
NURS 4500	Nursing in a Global Community	3
NURS 4520	Caring for Forensic Populations	3

Final Nursing Courses taken in Consecutive Order

Course Number	Course Title	Credits (8)
NURS 4010	Population Health (CV) (45 hrs. in Person Clinical Practice Experience)	4
NURS 4600	RN to BS Capstone (45 hrs. in Person Clinical Practice Experience)	4

Completion of 120 credits is required for graduation

Note: *Statistics is a Prerequisite for NURS 3710 Evidence in Nursing Practice

GENERAL EDUCATION

Foundation (3 credits each)

- Reading & Info Literacy First-Year Exper. (R & IL)
- Writing (W): Writing I
- Writing & Info. Literacy (W & IL): Writing II
- Quantitative Reasoning (QR)
- World Languages, Speaking and Listening (WS)

Exploration (3 credits each)

- Civic Learning (CV)
- Diverse Perspectives (DP)
- Ethical Reasoning (ER)
- Fine Arts Expression & Analysis (FA)
- Historical Inquiry & Analysis (HI)
- Literary Inquiry & Analysis (LI)
- Personal Wellness (PW)
- Procedural & Logical Thinking (PL)
- Scientific Inquiry & Analysis (SI)

General Education: MAJ

There may be major courses that have been approved to fulfill up to 3 General Education requirements (at least 9 credits). Varies by major and concentration.

Other

If students transfer in at least 34 credits of general education-quality courses (general courses that satisfy the breadth of the LA&S General Education), their LA&S General Education requirements are considered fulfilled, similar to the current Mass-Transfer Pathway agreements.

First Year Experience is not required for students who have completed an Associate's degree or who transfer 90 or more credits.

Students who have completed a Bachelor-level degree or their transcript indicates that they have completed the institution's general education program requirements LA&S General Education requirements are considered fulfilled