

West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2025-2026

NAME: _____ **WT ID:** _____ **DATE:** _____

Nursing—For Basic and Transfer Students and
Nursing—For Licensed Vocational Nurse /
Practical Nurse

Department of Nursing – BNLC 107 651-2693

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS		HRS
Communication (Core 10)		
ENGL 1301 Intro. to Academic Writing & Argumentation OR ENGL 1311 Writing About Ideas	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
Mathematics (Core 20)		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
Life and Physical Sciences (Core 30)		
See University Core Requirements below	(6)	
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Core 40)		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, 2371 Choose 1	3	
Creative Arts (Core 50)		
ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, 1307 (for music majors), 1310; or THRE 1310 Choose 1	3	
American History (Core 60)		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381, 2382 (recommend taking in summer or intersession) Choose 2	6	
Government/Political Science (Core 70)		
POSC 2305 and 2306 (recommend taking in summer or intersession)	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core 80)		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
Component Area Option (Core 90)		
Take four hours from: AGRI 2300; BUSI 1301, 1304; CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; EDUC 1300; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*/**** , 1312*, 2311*/**** , HSCI 2300**** , IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); MUSI 1053 (1-2 hours); PHIL 2303; SES 1120	4	
Also, extra 4 th -hour credits from Core 20 and Core 30 (MATH, BIOL, CHEM, ENVR, GEOL, PHYS)		
See University Core Requirements below	(2)	
PRE-NURSING Admission Requirements A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS: 14 HOURS ♦		
CORE 20 MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: fourth hr. moves to Core 90) NOTE: MATH 1332 satisfies the prerequisite for CHEM 1305, but not 1411. MATH 1342 and 1350 do not satisfy the prerequisite for either CHEM 1305 or 1411.	3	
CORE 30 BIOL 2401*[3] Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	
CORE 30 BIOL 2402*[3] Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3	
CORE 80 PSYC 2301 General Psychology	3	
CORE 90 BIOL 2401L[1] and 2402L[1]	2	
ADDITIONAL PRE-NURSING COURSE REQUIREMENTS: 25-27 HOURS A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology	3	
PSYC 2308 Child Development OR PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development	3	

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BIOL 2420*, 2420L Applied Microbiology OR BIOL 2572*, 2572L Microbiology - See Elective hour note below.	4-5	
CHEM 1305*, 1305L General Chemistry I OR CHEM 1411*, 1411L Chemistry I - See Elective hour note below.	3-4	
HSCI 2330* Health Promotion	3	
NURS 3304* Elem. Biostatistics in Health-Care Research	3	
NURS 3310* Applications to Nursing: Pathophysiology	3	
NURS 3350*, 3350L Principles of Nursing Skills	3	
NURSING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 52 HOURS		
NURS 3330*, 3330L Health Assessment	3	
NURS 3340*, 3340L Pharmacology for Nursing Practice	3	
NURS 3550*, 3550L Nursing Concepts & Competencies	5	
NURS 3570*, 3570L Health of Women and Children	5	
NURS 3580*, 3580L Adult Health I	5	
NURS 3360* Evidence-Based Practice	3	
NURS 3290* Geriatric Health	2	
NURS 4530*, 4530L Population-Focused Nursing Practice	5	
NURS 4540*, 4540L Adult Health II	5	
NURS 4350*, 4350L Behavioral Health Nursing	3	
NURS 4341* Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing Practice	3	
NURS 4351* Preparation for Professional Nursing Practice	3	
NURS 4693* Clinical Internship for Professional Nursing Practice	6	
NURS 4131* Evidence-Based Practice Seminar	1	
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

♦ Licensed Vocational Nurses complete the Pre-licensure BSN program for Basic and Transfer Students; however, LVNs receive credit for NURS 3350.

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

*** Or equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

**** Recommended.

Elective hour: If CHEM 1305 or BIOL 2420 is taken, an additional elective hour may be needed to total 120 overall hours required for the Nursing program.

NOTE: This is NOT a degree plan. All undergraduate students must request an official degree plan from their academic dean's office by the time they have completed 30 credit hours.

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Major: Nursing – For Basic & Transfer Students and Major Code: 701, 713 (LVN)
Nursing – For Licensed Vocational/Practical Nurse, B.S.N.

Year 1: Fall		Year 1: Spring	
CORE 10 (Communication) – ENGL 1301 or 1311	3	CORE 40 (Lang., Phil. & Culture) – See checklist for options ¹	3
CORE 20 (Mathematics) – See checklist for options ¹	3	CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options ¹	3
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options ¹	3	CORE 80 (Soc. & Behav. Sci.) – PSYC 2301 General Psych.	3
CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – See checklist for options ¹ - HSCI 2300 is recommended	1-3	CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – See checklist for options ¹ - ENGL 1302, 1312, 2311 is recommended	1-3
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology	3	CHEM 1305/1305L General Chemistry I or CHEM 1411/1411L Chemistry I	3-4
Total:	13-15	Total:	13-16
Summer			
PSYC 2308 Child Dev. or PSYC 2314 Life. Growth & Dev.	3		
BIOL 2420/2420L Appl. Micro. or BIOL 2572/2572L Micro.	4-5		
Total:	7-8		
Year 2: Fall		Year 2: Spring	
CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) – BIOL 2401/2401L Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4 th hour counts towards Core 90)	4	CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) - BIOL 2402/2402L Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4 th hour counts towards Core 90)	4
CORE 10 (Communication) – See checklist for options ¹	3	CORE 50 (Creative Arts) – See checklist for options ¹	3
CORE 70 (Govt./Political Science) – POSC 2306	3	CORE 70 (Govt./Political Science) – POSC 2305	3
HSCI 2330 Health Promotion	3	NURS 3310 Applications to Nursing: Pathophysiology	3
NURS 3304 Elem. Biostatistics in Health-Care Research	3	NURS 3350/3350L Principles of Nursing Skills	3
Total:	16	Total:	16
Year 3: Fall		Year 3: Spring	
NURS 3330/3330L Health Assessment	3	NURS 3290 Geriatric Health	2
NURS 3340/3340L Pharmacology for Nursing Practice	3	NURS 3570/3570L Health of Women and Children	5
NURS 3360 Evidence-Based Practice	3	NURS 3580/3580L Adult Health I	5
NURS 3550/3550L Nursing Concepts and Competencies	5		
Total:	14	Total:	12
Year 4: Fall		Year 4: Spring	
NURS 4350/4350L Behavioral Health Nursing	3	NURS 4131 Evidence-Based Practice Seminar	1
NURS 4530/4530L Population-Focused Nursing Practice	5	NURS 4341 Leadership & Mgmt. in Prof. Nurs. Practice	3
NURS 4540/4540L Adult Health II	5	NURS 4351 Preparation for Professional Nursing Practice	3
		NURS 4693 Clinical Internship for Prof. Nursing Practice	6
Total:	13	Total:	13

¹ **CORE:** Nursing majors are required to take specific courses for Core 30, Core 80, and Core 90. For all other categories, they may select from any available options (see degree checklist). Apart from the major-specific core requirements, there is no set order in which core courses must be taken.

Identified Marketable Skills	Top Three Local Employers or Industries/Professional Programs/Possible Career Opportunities
Critical thinking – Leadership – Case management – Ability to practice across a variety of inpatient and outpatient settings – Effective communication – Collaborative – Patient advocate	BSA Health System (https://bsahs.org/) Northwest Texas Healthcare System (https://www.nwths.com/) Vibra Healthcare (https://vibrahealthcare.com/)

Additional notes:

- The core curriculum must total exactly 42 hours; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.
- At least 36 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

DISCLAIMER: This curriculum guide should be used in conjunction with the corresponding degree checklist for general planning purposes only. The degree checklist (later a student's official degree plan) should be referred to as the comprehensive list of all courses required for the degree. An official degree plan is required after completing 30 hours. Students should always seek the advice of their academic adviser before scheduling classes.