

**West Texas A&M University  
Advising Services  
Degree Checklist  
2026-2027**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **WT ID:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nursing—For Registered Nurses  
Department of Nursing - OM 313 651-2630**

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦		HRS
<b>Communication (Core 10)</b>		
ENGL 1301 Intro. to Academic Writing & Argumentation OR ENGL 1311 Writing About Ideas	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
<b>Mathematics (Core 20)</b>		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
<b>Life and Physical Sciences (Core 30)</b>		
See University Core Requirements below	(6)	
<b>Language, Philosophy and Culture (Core 40)</b>		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/***, 2313*, 2315*, 2371 <b>Choose 1</b>	3	
<b>Creative Arts (Core 50)</b>		
ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, 1307 (for music majors), 1310; or THRE 1310 <b>Choose 1</b>	3	
<b>American History (Core 60)</b>		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381, 2382 (recommend taking in summer or intersession) <b>Choose 2</b>	6	
<b>Government/Political Science (Core 70)</b>		
POSC 2305 and 2306 (recommend taking in summer or intersession)	6	
<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core 80)</b>		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
<b>Institutionally Designated Option (90)</b>		
<b>Take four hours from:</b>		
AGRI 2300; BUSI 1301, 1304; CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; EDUC 1300; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*/****, 1312*, 2311*/****, HNRS 2171; HSCI 2300****; IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); MUSI 1053 (1-2 hours); PHIL 2303; SES 1120	4	
Also, extra 4 <sup>th</sup> -hour credits from Core 20 and Core 30 (MATH, BIOL, CHEM, ENVR, GEOL, PHYS)		
See University Core Requirements below	(2)	

**NURSING—FOR REGISTERED NURSES MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 89-91**  
A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.

UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS: 11 HOURS	
<b>CORE 20</b> MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: 4th hr. moves to Core 90)  <i>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.</i>	3
<b>CORE 30</b> BIOL 2401*[3] Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3
<b>CORE 30</b> BIOL 2402*[3] Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3
<b>CORE 80</b> PSYC 2301 General Psychology	3
<b>CORE 90</b> BIOL 2401L[1] and 2402L[1]	2

**ADDITIONAL ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS: 13-15 HOURS**

PSYC 2308 Child Development PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth and Development	3
BIOL 2420*, 2420L Applied Microbiology OR BIOL 2572*, 2572L Microbiology <i>- See Elective hour note below.</i>	4-5

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BIOL 1308*, 1308L Biology for Non-Science Majors OR BIOL 1406*, 1406L Basic and Contemporary Biology I OR CHEM 1305*, 1305L General Chemistry I OR CHEM 1411*, 1411L Chemistry I <i>- See Elective hour note below.</i>	3-4
NURS 3304*-70 Elementary Biostatistics in Health-Care Research	3
<b>NURSING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 64 HOURS</b> Credits for previous nursing course work and practice knowledge (34 hours total) will be held in escrow until successful completion of the final course in the RN to BSN degree completion program.	
<b>REQUIRED IN-RESIDENCE (ONLINE) NURSING COURSES: 30 HOURS</b>	
NURS 3325*-70 Integration into Professional Nursing	3
NURS 3355*-70 Cultural Competence for Health Promotion	3
NURS 4345*-70, 4345L Professional Nursing Leadership/Mgt. & Practicum	3
NURS 3345*-70 Pharmacotherapeutics Applied to Pathophysiology	3
NURS 3360*-70 Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURS 3375*-70 Quality Management and Informatics in Nursing	3
NURS 4335*-70 Issues in Health-Care Delivery	3
NURS 4323*-70, 4323L Nursing Decisions for Populations	3
NURS 4385*-70 Concepts in Legal and Ethical Nursing	3
NURS 4390* Capstone/Evaluation of Learning RN to BSN	3
<b>MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE</b>	<b>120</b>

\* 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 an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.  
 \*\*\*\* Recommended.

**Elective hour: If a student takes CHEM 1305, student may need one additional elective credit hour to meet the 120 total hours required for the Nursing program.**

**NOTE: RN to BSN students (Major Code 718) are required to complete in-residence 30 credits of course work, all of which are upper-division (3000-4000). The minimum requirement of 36 hours of advanced credits is met with the completion of 30 NURS credits in the program or other upper-level courses used for substitutions in the program, as described above, with the remaining 6 credits of upper division being waived.**

**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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<b>Year 1: Fall</b>	
CORE 10 (Communication) – ENGL 1301 or 1311	3
CORE 20 (Mathematics) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 40 (Lang., Phil. & Culture) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 90 (Comp. Area Opt.) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup> - HSCI 2300 is recommended	1-3
<b>Total:</b>	<b>13-15</b>

<b>Year 1: Spring</b>	
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 80 (Soc. & Behav. Sci.) – PSYC 2301 General Psych.	3
CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup> - ENGL 1302, 1312, or 2311 is recommended	1-3
BIOL 1308/1308L Biology for Non-Science Majors or BIOL 1406/1406L Biology I or CHEM 1305/1305L Gen. Chem. I or CHEM 1411/1411L Chem. I	3-4
<b>Total:</b>	<b>10-13</b>
<b>SUMMER:</b> BIOL 2420/2420L or BIOL 2572/2572L	<b>4-5</b>

<b>Year 2: Fall</b>	
CORE 10 (Communication) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) – BIOL 2401/2401L Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4 <sup>th</sup> hour counts towards Core 90)	4
CORE 70 (Govt./Political Science) – POSC 2306	3
NURS 3304 Elementary Biostatistics in Health-Care Research	3
<b>Total:</b>	<b>13</b>

<b>Year 2: Spring</b>	
CORE 50 (Creative Arts) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) - BIOL 2402/2402L Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4 <sup>th</sup> hour counts towards Core 90)	4
CORE 70 (Govt./Political Science) – POSC 2305	3
PSYC 2308 Child Dev. or PSYC 2314 Lifespan Growth & Dev.	3
<b>Total:</b>	<b>13</b>

**Years 3 and 4 RN to BSN Course Sequence Options**

**3 Semester Plan - FALL start**

FALL 1	SCH	SPRING 1	SCH	SUMMER 1	SCH
NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 1	3	NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 1	3	NURS 3345 - Pharm Applied Patho	3
NURS 3325 - Integrations	3	NURS 4390 - Capstone	3	NURS 4385 - Legal/ Ethical	3
NURS 3360 - Evidence Practice	3	NURS 4335 - Issues	3		
FALL 2		SPRING 2			
NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 2		NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 2			
NURS 3375 - Quality	3	NURS 3355 - Culture	3		
<b>TOTAL SCH:</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>12</b>		<b>6</b>

**4 Semester Plan - FALL start**

FALL 1	SCH	SPRING 1	SCH	SUMMER 1	SCH	FALL 1	SCH
NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 1	3	NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 1	3	NURS 3345 - Pharm Applied Patho	3	NURS 3360 - Evidence Practice	3
NURS 3325 - Integrations	3	NURS 4335 - Issues	3	NURS 4385 - Legal/ Ethical	3	NURS 4390 - Capstone	3
FALL 2		SPRING 2					
NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 2		NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 2					
NURS 3375 - Quality	3	NURS 3355 - Culture	3				
<b>TOTAL SCH:</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>9</b>		<b>6</b>		<b>6</b>

**3 Semester Plan - SPRING start**

SPRING 1	SCH	SUMMER 1	SCH	FALL 1	SCH
NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 1	3	NURS 3345 - Pharm Applied Patho	3	NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 1	3
NURS 3325 - Integrations	3	NURS 4385 - Legal/ Ethical	3	NURS 4390 - Capstone	3
NURS 4335 - Issues	3			NURS 3360 - Evidence Practice	3
SPRING 2				FALL 2	
NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 2				NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 2	
NURS 3355 - Culture	3			NURS 3375 - Quality	3
<b>TOTAL SCH:</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>6</b>		<b>12</b>

**4 Semester Plan - FALL start**

SPRING 1	SCH	SUMMER 1	SCH	FALL 1	SCH	SPRING 1	SCH
NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 1	3	NURS 3345 - Pharm Applied Patho	3	NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 1	3	NURS 4390 - Capstone	3
NURS 3325 - Integrations	3	NURS 4385 - Legal/ Ethical	3	NURS 3360 - Evidence Practice	3		
NURS 4335 - Issues	3						
SPRING 2				FALL 2		SPRING 2	
NURS 4345 - Leadership/part 2				NURS 4323 - Populations/ part 2		NURS 3355 - Culture	3
				NURS 3375 - Quality	3		
<b>TOTAL SCH:</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>6</b>		<b>9</b>		<b>6</b>

<sup>1</sup> **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.

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