

Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number _____ or Degree Plan(s) School of Nursing
Admission Requirements State the requested change and reason. A memo may be attached if more space is necessary.

Make the changes listed below to the School of Nursing Admission Requirements from the current catalog to be placed in the new catalog. The purpose of making the changes is to remove the "B" requirement from the catalog and to clarify the admission requirements. See attachments to compare the two.

These are numbers from current catalog.

1. Move this statement to number 2 in the proposed catalog. Change the wording in the second sentence from nursing core to supplement for major courses. Remove the last sentence.
2. Add to the new number 1.
3. Add the statement "Four Courses listed under supplement..." Change the wording from nursing core to supplement in the second sentence. Move the information about the CNA certificate to number 4 "Once admitted, etc."
4. Move to number 1. Remove last sentence.
5. Move to number 4 and put in list form (see new wording and specifics in proposed catalog changes)
6. Place this information in the list for number 4.
7. Place information in the list in number 4.
8. Move this to number 5 in proposed catalog.
- 9 and 10 in current catalog have been moved to list in number 4
11. Move to proposed number 6.
12. Move to proposed number 7.

Circle the number that corresponds to the requested change. Degree plan changes are on the second page.

Change to a Course		Dept./School	College Academic	Deans	COUNCIL ³				Provost	President
					TEC	UGEC	UUAC	GRAD		
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A		I			I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A		I			I	I
3.	Content (substantive change)	A	A	A		I			A	A
4.	Number of hours (lecture, lab, contact)	A	A	A		A			A	A
5.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I		I			I	I
6.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A		A			A	A
7.	Prerequisites	A	A	A		I			I	I
8.	Course fee(s)	A	--	A		--			A	I
9.	From U to G or G to U	A	A	A		A			A	A
10.	Cross list with another department: U or G level	A	A	A		A			A	A
11.	Department of record	A	A	A		A			A	A
12.	Open or close a course	A	A	A		A			A	A
13.	New course — See website for application and process. This change includes combining or splitting a course(s).	A	A	A		A			A	A

Note: When an academic unit does not have a council, the UGEC and/or UUAC will serve as its academic council, depending on the nature of the issue.

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1.	University Requirements — Change in approved course content ⁶	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--
2.	University Requirements — Add or drop a required course from the University Requirements chart ⁶	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	--
3.	University Requirements — Add or drop a course from a menu within the University Requirements ⁶	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--
4.	University Requirements — Change hours within a menu on the University Requirements chart ⁶	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	--
5.	Major — Revision of major ^{4,5}	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--
6.	Major — Adopt or change admission requirements	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--
7.	Major — Add ^{4,5}	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	I
8.	Major – Discontinue (proposed by the department or college)	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	I
9.	Major – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	See below.										
10.	GPA — Revise major or cumulative requirement	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	--
11.	Minor — Revise course selection	A	A	A	I				I	--	I	--
12.	Minor — Add	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--
13.	Minor – Discontinue (proposed by the department or college)	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--
14.	Minor – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	See below.										
15.	Degree — Add	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	I
16.	Degree – Discontinue (proposed by the department or college)	A	A	A	A				A	A	A	I
17.	Degree – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	See below.										
18.	Any change to a graduate degree program	A	A	A	A				A	--	A	--

COUNCIL ³										
	Provost-Proposed Change	Provost	Department	Dean	TEC	UAC	Graduate	Faculty	President	Board of Trustees
1.	Major/Graduate Program – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	A	R	R	A			A	A	I
2.	Minor – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	A	R	R	A			--	^	--
3.	Degree – Discontinue (proposed by the Provost)	A	R	R	A			A	A	I

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1.	General requirements for graduation including course requirements that are common to all majors for all degrees ⁷	--	--	--		A		A	A	A
2.	Admission requirements	--	--	--		A		A	A	A
3.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	--	--	--		A		A	A	A
4.	Requirements for graduating with honors	--	--	--		A		A	A	A
5.	Other academic policy changes	--	--	--		A		A	--	A

¹ Councils may request additional information about "Information" items. These items are approved as "Consent Agenda."

² The Dean and Department should respond to the Provost's recommendation to close a program in writing. Advise & Respond (R) requires that the voting body should receive the written responses at least one week prior to the vote.

³ All courses that meet University Requirements for general education must go through UGEC. Courses or degrees offered only to students seeking teacher certification must go through the Teacher Education Council. All undergraduate changes must go before the UUAC. All graduate degree plan changes must go through the Graduate Council.

⁴ A minimum of 30 hours is required for a major. A maximum is specified for each degree (e.g., BA, BS). The university minimum for elective hours is 6, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible.

⁵ Program or course changes that apply to any major that includes Teacher Certification will be reviewed by the college, the Teacher Education Council (TEC), and then the UUAC.

⁶ Courses that satisfy ACU's University Requirements (General Education) will normally have lower-level numbering, be free of prerequisites and co-requisites, appeal to more than one or two majors, and "not narrowly focus on those skills, techniques, and procedures specific to a particular occupation or profession" (SACS 2.7.3). Departments may request exceptions to the first three criteria.

⁷ The UUAC approved the clarification that "general requirements for graduation" means the enumerated items in the "General Requirements for Bachelor's Degrees" section of the catalog.

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Curriculum/Catalog Changes Signature Page

Department/School Chair(s)	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

College Academic Council(s)	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Dean(s)	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Teacher Education Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

General Education Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Undergraduate Academic Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Graduate Council	
_____ <i>Chair's signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Provost	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

Faculty	
_____ <i>Chair of faculty senate</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

President	
_____ <i>Signature</i>	_____ <i>Approval date</i>

facilities. Admission to Abilene Christian University does not guarantee admission to School of Nursing.

1. The School of Nursing will review all applications with a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 in the lower-level nursing curriculum based on a 4.0 scale. Nursing core courses completed with a letter grade less than "C," or 2.0 on a 4.0 scale, will not be accepted toward the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. Applicants must have a grade of "B" or better in BIOL 291 Anatomy and Physiology I, BIOL 292 Anatomy and Physiology II.
2. Students are required to take a nursing admission assessment exam.
3. Students must have all nursing core prerequisites completed before entering the School of Nursing and have all prerequisites completed within the first year of admission to School of Nursing. Students must obtain the CNA certificate before entering the program.
4. Students must apply for admission to the School of Nursing. The deadline for submitting application for admission in the fall semester is the first week of February of the same year. **Late applications will be reviewed after initial admission decisions are made. Applicants are required to have personal contact with the Dean of the School of Nursing by January of the same year.**
5. Once accepted, students must submit evidence of physical examination and of physical health, which is consistent with meeting the objectives of the program. ~~Tetanus/diphtheria (Tdap), MMR, Hepatitis B series, and Varicella (proof of chickenpox or titer) immunizations are required. Rubella screening is required with subsequent immunizations if screening titer indicates lack of immunity. Seasonal flu vaccine is required or a signed "declination form". Evidence of negative tuberculosis must be presented annually. Health reports and test results will be available to health agencies used for student learning experience upon request by an authorized representative of the agency. Additionally, students accepted for admission will be required to submit to a criminal background check organized by the Texas Board of Nursing prior to beginning the nursing program. Students will also be required to submit random drug screenings in order to practice in the clinical facilities.~~
6. All students are required to have a urine drug screen completed at a designated lab prior to clinical participation.
7. Students accepted into the School of Nursing must annually provide proof of medical health insurance; if not on parent's insurance, the student must have a private policy.
8. Applicants seeking admission by transfer must meet all of the same standards required of those students who have matriculated at ACU.
9. The student must annually provide proof of current CPR certification (**American Heart Association CPR for Health Care Provider or American Red Cross CPR for the Professional Rescuer is required**).
10. Professional liability insurance is required of each student. This insurance is included in the student's tuition costs.
11. In order for a student to meet program requirements for the completion of the BSN curriculum, the student must demonstrate minimal competency in nursing theory and practice. This competency is demonstrated through successful scoring on the identified exit exam.
12. Students seeking the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) may take a minor outside the School of Nursing. This minor is NOT required as a part of the BSN degree, and credit hours beyond the minimum hours required may be needed to complete the minor.

PROPOSED NURSING (BSN)

Admission to the School of Nursing is a prerequisite to all nursing courses (or approval by the School of Nursing Dean).

BSN: NURSING DEGREE PLAN (NURS)

UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

Please see the University Requirements section of this catalog (page 40).

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Nursing

**NURS 250 Applied Pathophysiology	3
NURS 320 Evidence-Based Gerontologic Nursing	2
NURS 330 Pharmacology in Nursing	3
NURS 350 Clinical Skills I: Fundamentals of Nursing	4
NURS 351 Nursing	3
NURS 352 Evidence	3
NURS 360 Clinical	4
NURS 361 Evidence	4
NURS 370 Clinical	2
NURS 371 Evidence	2
NURS 380 Nursing	3
NURS 430 Clinical	2
NURS 431 Evidence	2
NURS 450 Clinical	4
NURS 453 Evidence	4
NURS 464 Nursing	3
NURS 475 Clinical	6
NURS 476 Evidence-B	3
NURS 498 Nursing Capstone	3
TOTAL	60

SUPPLEMENT FOR MAJOR

Mathematics

*MATH 123 Introduction to Probability and Statistics	(3) ¹
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Psychology

*PSYC 232 Developmental Psychology	3
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Science

**BIOL 291/293 Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab	4
**BIOL 292/294 Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab	4
*BIOL 353/354 Microbiology with Lab	4
*CHEM 113 Introductory Chemistry.....	(3) ¹
*CHEM 114 Introductory Organic and Biological Chemistry or NUTR 120 Nutrition and Wellness or NUTR 221 Introductory Nutrition	(3) ¹
TOTAL	15

¹Hours (in parentheses) may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours

ELECTIVES

Minimum	0
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TOTAL MAJOR HOURS	75
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OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

*Minimum grade for most core courses	C
**Minimum grade required for BIOL 291/292.....	B
Minimum total hours	128
Courses numbered 0** do not count in minimum hours required for degree.	

Degree Requirements - Suggested Course Sequence

Note: The course sequence below is suggested for a four year progression through the program. However, we encourage students to contact our School of Nursing degree plan specialist or Dean to inquire about our 5-6 year progression schedule for part-time or transfer students.

Freshman Year

Fall Semester:

- CORE 110 The Question of Truth (3-0-3)
- BIBL 101 Jesus: His Life and Teachings (3-0-3)
- CHEM 113 Introductory Chemistry (3-0-3)
- ENGL 111 Composition and Rhetoric (3-0-3)
- PEAC 100 Lifetime Wellness (1-2-1)
- MATH 123 Introduction to Probability and Statistics (3-0-3)

Spring Semester:

- FL or Cultural Competency (3-0-3)

Lower-Level Requirements

All freshmen students accepted for admission, and stating a preference for nursing as a major, will be placed in lower-level general education, core and nursing pre-requisite courses.

Acceptance into the lower-level courses, however, does not guarantee that students will be selected for enrollment in the School of Nursing.

School of Nursing Admission Requirements

Students must meet all university degree requirements. A separate admission process is required for students to be admitted to the School of Nursing. **Admission is competitive, and the size of the classes is determined by the Texas Board of Nursing. Admission to Abilene Christian University does not guarantee admission to School of Nursing.**

- Students must apply for admission to the School of Nursing. The deadline for submitting application for admission in the fall semester is the first week of February of the same year. Students are required to take a nursing admission assessment exam. **Late applications will be reviewed after initial admission decisions are made.**
- The School of Nursing will review all applications with at least 60 hours completed with a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 based on a 4.0 scale. Courses in the supplement for major (see nursing degree plan) completed with a letter grade less than "C," or 2.0 on a 4.0 scale, will not be accepted toward the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.
- Four courses listed under Supplement for the Major (not including labs) must be completed before turning in the application for admission. All courses listed under the Supplement for the Major must be completed before entering the School of Nursing. Students must complete all other prerequisite courses within the first year of admission to the School of Nursing.
- Once accepted to the School of Nursing, students must submit the following:
 - Certified Nursing Assistant Certificate
 - Essential performance form (provided by the School of Nursing) that attests to the ability of the student to meet emotional, cognitive, and physical requirements of the program.
 - Proof of immunizations and lab tests (a list will be provided by the School of Nursing)
 - Documentation of Health Insurance
 - Drug screen at a designated lab (further information is provided by the school of nursing). Students may also be required to submit to random drug screenings in order to practice in the clinical facilities.
 - Completed criminal background check required by the Texas Board of Nursing.
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NURS 360 Clinical Nursing	4
NURS 361 Evidence-Based Nursing	4
NURS 370 Clinical Health	2
NURS 371 Evidence-Based Health	2
NURS 380 Nursing	3
NURS 430 Clinical	2
NURS 431 Evidence-Based	2
NURS 450 Clinical Nursing	4
NURS 453 Evidence-Based Nursing	4
NURS 464 Nursing	3
NURS 475 Clinical	6
NURS 476 Evidence-Based Advanced Medical-Surgical Nursing	3
NURS 498 Nursing Capstone	3
TOTAL	60

SUPPLEMENT FOR MAJOR-- Four of the following courses (not including labs) must be completed before applying to the nursing program.

Mathematics

MATH 123 Introduction to Probability and Statistics (3)¹

Psychology

PSYC 232 Developmental Psychology (3)¹

Science

BIOL 291/293 Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab 4

BIOL 292/294 Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab 4

BIOL 353/354 Microbiology with Lab 4

CHEM 113 Introductory Chemistry (3)¹

CHEM 114 Introductory Organic and Biological Chemistry

or NUTR 120 Nutrition and Wellness or NUTR 221

Introductory Nutrition (3)¹

TOTAL 12

¹Hours (in parentheses) may also fulfill university requirements and are not included in total major hours

ELECTIVES

Minimum 3

TOTAL MAJOR HOURS 75

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Minimum grade for Major Requirements and Supplement for

Major.....C

Minimum total hours.....128