

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

A = Approve I = Information Item R = Respond In Writing

Course Number: NURS 351

or Degree Plan(s): BSN

Rationale: In response to accreditation and regulation (CCNE and Texas Board of Nursing) changes in expectations, the BSN Program is undergoing a complete revision beginning with Program outcomes. The previous outcomes (Program and Course) were re-written to provide better clarity and transparency. All courses will undergo revisions in outcomes and course descriptions to align with the Program Outcomes. Additionally, over time, some course content migration has occurred so the BSN Program desires to better capture both expectations and actual content delivery with the updates. The actual content in the courses will not change.

Description (previous):

Nursing Assessment introduces students to the knowledge, judgment, skills, behaviors, and attitudes of holistic, comprehensive, and focused assessments needed to plan, implement, and evaluate strategies to achieve the highest potential health outcomes.

Description (new):

This course equips students with the skills to perform and document comprehensive health assessments. Students will explore how sociocultural factors and religion influence patient health as well as how the interprofessional team can contribute to patient care.

Student learning outcomes (previous):

1. Accurate interview, health history, and comprehensive, holistic head-to-toe assessment on an adult patient.
2. Accurate focused assessments based on presenting clinical manifestations, and the patient needs.
3. Accurate functional assessment of a compromised adult, and identify appropriate levels of health care needed for referral.
4. Accurate anticipation of laboratory and diagnostic tests needed based on the patient's history and assessment, and identify safe nursing implications related to the tests.
5. Expression of Scriptural values related to compassion in nursing practice, and recognizes professional values needed for Christian service and leadership in nursing.

Student learning outcomes (new):

1. Demonstrate the ability to perform focused and comprehensive health assessments using evidence-based techniques.
2. Interpret abnormal findings from focused and comprehensive health assessments.
3. Identify members of the interprofessional team that can contribute to patient care based on assessment findings.
4. Demonstrate documentation of health assessment findings.
5. Recognize how cultural, religious, and ethnic diversity influence patient health.

	Campus-Level Academic Review ¹	I	A	R	I	R	I	R
Change to a Course Include signatures from all chairs/program directors for cross-listed courses. ¹								

1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	A	I	I	A
5.	Number of credit hours	A	A	A	A	A	A
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A	A	A
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I	I	I
9.	Course restriction (e.g., majors only, junior standing)	A	A	A	A	A	A
10.	Level change (U to G or G to U)	A	A	A	A	A	A
11.	Cross list course	A	A	A	A	A	A
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A	A	A
13.	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A	A	A
	Change to a Degree Plan						
14.	Educational Program — Revise	A	A	A	A	A	A
15.	Educational Program — Adopt/revise admission requirements	A	A	A	A	A	A
16.	GPA — Revise program-required GPA	A	A	A	A	A	A
17.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	A	A	A

	Full Review									
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)									
18.	General requirements for Bachelor's and Associate Degrees	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
19.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
20.	Requirements for graduating with honors	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan									
21.	Educational Program — Add or Discontinue ^{2 3}	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
22.	Educational Program — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I
23.	Minor — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
24.	Minor — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	-	A	I
25.	Degree — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
26.	Degree — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I

	Change to General Education Requirements for Undergraduates (System)									
27.	Change course outcomes of an included course	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
28.	Add or drop a required course from the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	A	A	I
29.	Add or drop a course from a menu within the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	-	A	I
30.	Comprehensive revision of General Education Requirements	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I

Notes

² Any change to a cross-listed course requires the signature of both department chairs or program directors overseeing the course to ensure that the courses stay in sync. This includes courses taught at other campuses (e.g. BIBL 101 and BIBO 101).

³ For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible. Master's programs must include a minimum of 30 hours, and doctoral programs must include a minimum of 30 hours beyond the master's.

⁴ When a department/school or dean proposes closing a program, approval routing follows the typical process beginning with the department/school. An administrative proposal by the provost or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "provost-proposed" routing on the chart.

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Abilene Undergraduate or Abilene Graduate**

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Provost

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Date

University General Education Council

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Date

University Faculty

Abilene Faculty Senate Chair signature

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Dallas Faculty Council Chair signature

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Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

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President

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