

## pre-NURSING (BSN) MAJORS (Suggested Associate in Science Degree Curriculum)

**THIS PROGRAM IS NOT DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE PLANNING TO APPLY TO THE PRAIRIE STATE COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM. STUDENTS ENTERING THIS PROGRAM WILL BE TAKING ALL THEIR NURSING COURSES AT THE SENIOR UNIVERSITY.** STUDENTS PLANNING TO APPLY TO THE PRAIRIE STATE COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM SHOULD ASK FOR THE *Associate in Applied Science Degree Worksheet* for the PSC Nursing Program, along with the *Nursing Program Information Booklet* for the PSC Nursing Program.

This worksheet is designed to help students select courses which are likely to apply to a major in **NURSING (BSN)** at an upper division university. These suggested courses satisfy requirements in the Associate in Science degree program at Prairie State College and provide the basis for transferring to a four-year institution. This program meets the guidelines of the **IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative) General Education Core**. Students should obtain a copy of the **Associate in Science Degree Worksheet** and should visit the IAI website at [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org) for more information.

A registered nurse (RN) supervises, teaches, and delegates nursing care to health team members and delivers direct care and treatment. The RN also prepares patients for surgery, administers intravenous therapy, establishes patient care plans, assesses and evaluates patient needs, and supervises nursing care. Students who earn a bachelors degree in nursing may apply to take the NCLEX-RN examination for licensure as a Registered Nurse.

### SUGGESTED CURRICULUM

*Each senior institution has its own transfer policies. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information in regard to every individual school. Consult the school of your choice and/or the Prairie State College Counseling and Advising Center to discuss the transferability of courses.*

#### TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (39 credits)

##### Area A: Communications (9 credits)

|              |            |  |
|--------------|------------|--|
| ENG 101 (3)  | [C1 900]*  | Composition I (Prereq. ENG 099, C or better or qualifying score on English Placement Test) |
| ENG 102 (3)  | [C1 901R]* | Composition II (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)  |
| COMM 101 (3) | [C2 900]   | Principles of Communication (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)                        |

\*Must have a C or better in ENG 101 & 102 to receive credit for the degree.

##### Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)

Select three courses with at least one course selected from the humanities area and one course from the fine arts area. Refer to the Associate in Science Degree Worksheet, Area B, for a listing of approved course choices.

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| Humanities Course (3)           | Select any Area B Humanities Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above) |
| Fine Arts Course (3)            | Select any Area B Fine Arts Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)  |
| Humanities/Fine Arts Course (3) | Select any Area B Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)            |

##### Area C: Mathematics (3 credits)

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| MATH 115 (3) | [M1 902] | General Education Statistics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better OR MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better OR qualifying score on Math Placement Test) |
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##### Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (9 credits)

|              |           |   |
|--------------|-----------|---|
| BIOL 112 (4) | [L1 900L] | Organismal Biology (Prereq. High school biology)  |
| CHEM 110 (5) | [P1 902L] | General Chemistry I (Prereq. MATH 095 or placement in MATH 151 AND high school chemistry or CHEM 105) |

##### Area E: Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

Select three courses in at least two different disciplines. Refer to the Associate in Science Worksheet, Area E, for a listing of approved course choices.

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| PSYCH 101 (3)                    | [S6 902]                                   | Introduction to Psychology (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)            |
| PSYCH 102 (3)                    | [S6 900]                                   | Human Growth & Development: Life-Span (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above) |
| Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3) | Select any Area E course, other than PSYCH |   |

## **NURSING (BSN) MAJOR COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS (23 credits)**

*(Check with the school to which you plan to transfer to verify the transferability of these courses for this major)*

**Select 23 credits from the “suggested” course recommendations listed below:**

### **Suggested IAI Nursing Support Science courses include:**

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| BIOL 111 (4) | Cellular and Molecular Biology <i>(Prereq. high school biology or equivalent or equivalent with a C or better within the past 5 years; placement in ENG 099 or above)</i> |
| BIOL 211 (4) | Microbiology <i>(Prereq. BIOL 111 with C or better)</i>   |
| BIOL 221 (4) | Human Anatomy & Physiology I <i>(Prereq. BIOL 111 with C or better OR high school chemistry within the past 5 years with C or better)</i>                                 |
| BIOL 222 (4) | Human Anatomy & Physiology II <i>(Prereq. BIOL 221)</i>   |
| CHEM 130 (4) | General Chemistry II <i>(Prereq. CHEM 110 with C or better)</i>   |
| CHEM 203 (5) | Organic Chemistry I <i>(Prereq. CHEM 130 with C or better)</i>  |

### **Other suggested courses which satisfy the PSC AS degree requirements may include electives such as:**

Any additional general education courses selected from Areas B, C, D, or E

Any entry level majors course in a transferable major area

Any foreign language courses\*

Up to four credits of physical education courses

Additional courses recommended as transferable by the school to which you plan to transfer.

*\*Foreign Language Requirement: Some universities have a foreign language requirement. Generally, four years of a single foreign language in high school, or four semesters in college, will fulfill this requirement. It is recommended that students complete the entire sequence at one institution.*

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## **62 CREDITS REQUIRED FOR AN ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE**

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### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Counseling & Advising Center Room 1190 (708) 709-3506

### **FOR TRANSFER INFORMATION:**

u.select, formerly known as Course Applicability System (CAS): [www.transfer.org/uselect/](http://www.transfer.org/uselect/)

Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org)

Links to Articulation Tables for Illinois Colleges: <http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf>

Visit the web sites of colleges and universities to which you plan to transfer.

### **FOR CAREER INFORMATION:**

*Occupational Outlook Handbook*, U.S. Department of Labor: <http://www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm>

National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission: [www.nlnac.org](http://www.nlnac.org)

A Guide to Nursing Education and Careers: [www.allnursingschools.com](http://www.allnursingschools.com)