

Nursing — LPN to BS

The baccalaureate degree in nursing at Fitchburg State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.ccnaccreditation.org).

National League for Nursing - NACE I Exams

PN-RN Transfer Credits.....18

First Year

Fall Semester

17 Credits

BIOL 1200	Anatomy & Physiology I.....	4
CHEM 1200*	Chemistry for Health Sciences	4
ENGL 1100	Writing I.....	3
PSY 1100	Introduction to Psychological Science.....	3
	LA&S Art or Music Elective.....	3

Spring Semester

16 Credits

BIOL 1300	Anatomy & Physiology II.....	4
BIOL 1650	Nutrition.....	3
ENGL 1200	Writing II.....	3
MATH 1700*	Applied Statistics	3
SOC 1100	Introduction to Sociology.....	3

*CHEM 1200 and MATH 1700 may be taken either fall or spring semester of the freshman year

Third Year

Fall Semester

16 Credits

NURS 3200	Mental Health Nursing.....	5
NURS 4400	Community Health Nursing	5
	LA&S Free Elective.....	3
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Spring Semester

12 Credits

NURS 4800	Selective Practicum.....	9
NURS 4850	Nursing Leadership & Management	3

Second Year

Fall Semester

16 Credits

NURS 2300	Health Assessment.....	3
NURS 2400	Transition from LPN to Professional Nursing.....	1
NURS 2500	Pathopharmacology I.....	3
PSY 1200	Lifespan Development.....	3
	LA&S CTW History Elective.....	3
	Option C Selected Elective	3

Spring Semester

16 Credits

BIOL 2700	Medical Microbiology	4
NURS 2600	Pathopharmacology II.....	3
NURS 3710	Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	3
	LA&S Literature Elective.....	3
	LA&S Art Elective	3

Summer Semester I

4 Credits

NURS 3101	Nursing Care of the Medical Surgical Patient	4
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Summer Semester II

5 Credits

NURS 3501	Nursing Care of the Family	5
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PLEASE NOTE: All LPN to BS in Nursing majors, including transfer students, must complete MATH 1700 Applied Statistics by May of the freshman year. Please be advised that students must meet the Math Readiness Requirement to be able to enroll in this course.

Once the sequence of nursing courses is begun, nursing courses must be completed in the outlined sequence. All liberal arts and sciences courses must be completed by the end of the nursing curriculum.

Under the new LA&S curriculum, Nursing majors are exempt from the university EXSS requirement.

The program is unique, in that it spans both Graduate & Continuing Education (GCE) and Day course schedules to allow students to progress through the accelerated curriculum to reach their goals as quickly as possible, and on a schedule that works with their career demands. Courses offered or taken through the day division in fall and spring carry the undergraduate day tuition and fees; courses offered in the evening, winter, or summer through GCE carry the undergraduate GCE tuition and fees.

PLEASE NOTE: Courses in bold typeface require a minimum grade of 2.5 to progress. See reverse for liberal arts and science requirements.

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Nursing — LPN to BS (liberal arts and science requirements)

Content Clusters: two courses from the clusters below must have a Global Diversity Designation

58 Credits

Arts / Music

5 Courses - Minimum of 15 credits

One of these courses must have a

Global Diversity Non-Western (GDAN) designation.

Writing I (ENGL 1100).....	3
Writing II (ENGL 1200).....	3
Art or Music	3
Literature	3
Elective.....	3

Citizenship

3 Courses - Minimum of 9 credits

Intro to Sociology meets the

Global Diversity Western (GDC) designation.

History.....	3
Introduction to Psychological Science (PSY 1100).....	3
Intro to Sociology (SOC 1100).....	3

Science, Math, Technology

4 Courses - Minimum of 12 credits

Applied Statistics (MATH 1700)	3
Chemistry for the Health Sciences (CHEM 1200).....	4
Nutrition (BIOL 1650).....	3
Anatomy & Physiology I (BIOL 1200)	4

Option C

4 Courses - Minimum of 12 credits

Anatomy & Physiology II (BIOL 1300).....	4
Medical Microbiology (BIOL 2700).....	4
Lifespan Development (PSY 1200).....	3
Philosophy course - can be fulfilled with one of the following:.....	3
PHIL 2001 Medical Ethics	
PHIL 2500 Contemporary Ethical Problems	
PHIL 2600 Philosophy of Human Nature	
PHIL 3610 World Religions	

Free Electives

2 Courses - Minimum of 6 credits

Nursing Requirements

62 Credits

NLN ACE I Challenge Exams (Pass All 3):

NURS 2700 Foundations of Nursing.....	4
NURS 2900 Medical Surgical Nursing I.....	4
NURS 3300 Maternal-Newborn Nursing	5
NURS 3900 Pediatric Nursing	5
NURS 2300 Health Assessment	3
NURS 2400 Transition from LPN to Professional Nursing	1
NURS 2500 Pathopharmacology I.....	3
NURS 2600 Pathopharmacology II.....	3
NURS 3101 Nursing Care of the Medical-Surgical Patient	4
NURS 3200 Mental Health Nursing.....	5
NURS 3501 Nursing Care of the Family	5
NURS 3710 Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing.....	3
NURS 4400 Community Health Nursing.....	5
NURS 4800 Selected Practicum	9
NURS 4850 Nursing Leadership & Management	3

Other Liberal Arts & Sciences Requirements

Jr/Sr Writing
Listening & Speaking
Computer Literacy

The Department of the student's major determines the methods of fulfilling the Jr/Sr Writing, Listening, Speaking, and Computer Literacy requirements.

Mathematics & English Readiness

Mathematics
 Placement Exam or Basic Math II Non STEM track
English
 Placement Exam or Writing I

Math Readiness Requirement is required of all transfer students. Institutional credit only; does not count toward graduation credits.

Completion of 120 credits required for graduation (62 Nursing / 58 LA&S). PLEASE NOTE: Courses in bold typeface require a minimum grade of 2.5 to progress.