

SCHOOL OF NURSING &
ALLIED HEALTH ADMINISTRATION



Bachelor's of Science Nursing Program

■ OVERVIEW OF THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program at Fairmont State is designed for Registered Nurses who desire a baccalaureate degree in nursing. This degree program provides career mobility for the associate degree and diploma graduate nurse. The baccalaureate degree is the first professional level of preparation. At this level, the nurse's role is expanded beyond direct client care to encompass the care of families, groups, and communities. In addition, the professional nurse assumes the role of coordinator of care to lead, guide, and direct the delivery of health care based on knowledge gained in support courses as well as nursing literature and research.

The curriculum is individually designed on the basis of the student's academic background to prepare nurse generalists who possess the professional competence to provide and coordinate care in situations of health promotion, maintenance, and restoration. The program also aims to provide a base for graduate study and to prepare graduates to assume accountability for nursing practice in the roles of clinical generalist, client advocate, leader, manager, research consumer and lifelong learner.

A minimum of 128 approved credit hours is required. This includes 30 upper division nursing credits. The program has two options. The program can be completed in two years of full time study or students who have 95% of their liberal studies and support courses completed can complete the program in one academic year. Students may enroll on a full-time or part-time basis. Nursing courses will be offered in the evening when possible.

■ EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

- Registered nurses constitute the largest healthcare occupation, with 2.4 million jobs.
- Registered nurses are projected to create the second largest number of new jobs among all occupations; job opportunities in most specialties and employment settings are expected to be excellent. (US Department of Labor)
- In addition to the traditional employment settings listed for associate degree nursing graduates, baccalaureate prepared nurses are qualified for employment in the military, veteran's hospitals, government agencies, public health, industrial nursing, research facilities, and can pursue graduate education in nursing.

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STUDENT PROFILE



STEPHANIE LIOI

Degree: Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Major: Nursing

Hometown: Chester, W.Va.

Biography: I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I like outdoor activities and football games (Steelers and WVU). I have one brother and a nephew. Currently I am employed at a local hospital as a full-time cardiac nurse. This profession has been an extremely rewarding and fulfilling part of my life. Every day I face new challenges and learn new things along the way.

Why did you choose to attend Fairmont State?

Fairmont State's nursing program had the reputation of being the best in the state. Fairmont was close enough to home that I could go back for a day or two and far enough away that I could have a sense of independence at the same time. Fairmont State was a smaller college, and I had a few friends that were going to FS as well.

What do you like best about Fairmont State?

At Fairmont State, you are not just a face or number in a crowd; the classes are smaller. Teachers usually know you by name and you can actually get help from them if needed. The instructors talk to you not only in the classroom but outside of the classroom as well. They talk to you about more than just lecture material. They even let you call them at home.

■ ACCREDITATION

The Associate Degree Nursing Program is accredited by the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses and National League for Nursing. The Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120, (202) 887-6791. The BSN program is also accredited through the West Virginia Department of Education to offer School Nurse Certification.

■ ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All applicants seeking admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program are required to:

1. Meet the general admission requirements of Fairmont State as described in the College Catalog.
2. Hold an unencumbered license to practice as a registered nurse in West Virginia.
3. Submit application for admission designating Baccalaureate of Nursing as major field of study to the: Director of Admissions
1201 Locust Avenue
Fairmont, WV 26554
Or call (304) 367-4141
4. Submit official college or diploma program transcripts. The transfer courses will be evaluated by the Registrar.

■ ADVISING

Registered nurses interested in the program are requested to contact the Department of Nursing for advisement purposes. Call (304) 367-4761 for information.

■ ACCELERATED PROGRAM FOR BSN

The BSN Program is offering an accelerated program for students who have completed 95% of the liberal studies and support courses. These students may take only nursing courses in the fall and spring and graduate with a BSN at the end of the spring semester.

■ CONTACT INFORMATION

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MODEL SCHEDULE

Nursing (B.S.)

Have already completed RN Licensure:

Junior First Semester

NURS	3320	Health Assessment.....	4
NURS	3350	Professional Concepts.....	3
		Free Elective.....	3
INFO	1100	Computer Concepts and Application	3
		(or demonstrated competency)	
MATH		Math 1107 or Acceptable Option.....	3
			16

Junior Second Semester

NURS	3330	Health Deviations.....	3
NURS	3360	Ethical Decision Making in Health Care	3
Statistics		Psychology 2240 or Bus 3310	3(4)
COMM		Oral Communication.....	3
		History/Philosophy Select from Liberal Studies options.....	3
			15(16)

Senior First Semester

NURS	4400	Research in Nursing Practice.....	3
NURS	4410	Community Health Nursing.....	6
MGMT	2209	Principles of Management.....	3
		or	
MGMT	3308	Personnel Management	3
ENGL		Select from L.S. Literature options.....	3
		Artistic Creative options.....	3
			18

Senior Second Semester

NURS	4430	Leadership and Management in Nursing Practice ..	3
NURS	4440	Nursing Practicum.....	5
ENGL		Select from Liberal Studies options for Literature.....	3
		Free Elective.....	3
		Artistic/Creative Options	
		ART 1120 / MUSI 1120 / THEA 1120 / INTR 1120.....	3
			17
			TOTAL 66/67

School Nurse Certification

For School Nurse Certification, courses required include Education 2200 and the School Nurse Track in Nursing 4440.

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