

Programs of Study

School of Nursing

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FACULTY

BOBO, LEIA (2011)
Associate Professor of Nursing

BONI, MARY SHARON (2006)
Professor of Nursing

CONDRON, ELLEN (1990)
Associate Professor of Nursing

DERICO, KIMBERLY (2013)
Assistant Professor of Nursing

FURROW, JULIE (2014)
Assistant Professor of Nursing

GALLO, VERONICA (2004)
Professor of Nursing

GILBERTI, JANET (2015)
Assistant Professor of Nursing

HICKS, ALEXIS (2009)
Associate Professor of Nursing

HOAG, DEBRA (2002)
Professor of Nursing

JONES, THERESA (2013)
Assistant Professor of Nursing

KERWIN, VICKI (2007)
Associate Professor of Nursing

KIRCHOFF, DENICE (1998)
Professor of Nursing

SHROYER, ASHLEY (2009)
Associate Professor of Nursing

YOUNG, FRANCES T. (1997)
Professor of Nursing

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program is designed for registered nurses who desire a baccalaureate degree in nursing. It provides career mobility for the associate degree and diploma-graduate nurse. The program is designed to prepare nurse generalists to provide and coordinate care in situations of health promotion, maintenance, and restoration. The program aims to provide a base for graduate study and to prepare graduates to assume accountability for nursing practice in the roles of nurse generalist; care provider, designer, manager, and coordinator; and member of the profession.

The curriculum is individually designed on the basis of the student's academic background. A minimum of 120 approved credit hours is required. This includes 28 upper division-nursing credits. The program can be completed in two full-time academic years or one accelerated academic year under certain circumstances. Students may enroll on a full-time or part-time basis. Nursing courses will be offered online. A grade of "C" or above is required in all courses that count toward the degree, and students must maintain a 2.0.

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program at Fairmont State is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Individuals interested in more information on accreditation may contact: Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, 655 K Street NW Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, (202) 887-6791, ccneaccreditation.org.

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

1. Meet the general admission and course placement requirements of Fairmont State.

2. Submit an application for admission, designating the major as Baccalaureate in Nursing, to the Director of Admissions.
3. Submit official college and/or diploma program transcripts, including graduation date and degree.
4. FAIRMONT STATE UNIVERSITY ASN students who have a composite ACT of 22 or higher and a GPA of 3.0 or higher may be concurrently admitted to the ASN and BSN Programs.

Students interested in the program are encouraged to contact the Department of Nursing for advisement purposes.

The following courses are required for completion of this program. All required courses must be completed prior to or concurrently with Nursing 4440. Active, unencumbered nursing licensure is required for enrollment in NURS 3350 and above.

The Bachelor's Degree in Nursing offers an option of School Nurse Certification. Education 2200 and the School Nurse Practicum 4441 are required for this certificate. Registered nurses who already have a BSN degree would also take Education 2200 and Nursing 4441.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING 120 SEM. HRS

Required Nursing Courses28 SEM. HRS.
Required Support Courses6-7 SEM. HRS.

- Nursing Licensure Credits35 SEM. HRS.
- General Studies31 SEM. HRS.
- Electives 19-20 SEM. HRS.

• General Studies and Support Course Requirements

- Outcome 1 - Critical Analysis
NURS 3360, NURS 4440, or any other choice (Satisfied in Major) X
- Outcome 2 - Quantitative Literacy
MATH 1507 or 1407 or higher in Outcome 2(PR for PSYC 2240, BSBA 3310, SOCY 2240 or MATH 1113) 3
- Outcome 3 - Written Communication
ENGL 1101 AND ENGL 1102 (Institutional Requirement) 6
- Outcome 4 - Teamwork
NURS 4440, NURS 4400, or any other choice (Satisfied in Major) X
- Outcome 5 - Information Literacy
NURS 4400 or any other choice (Satisfied in Major) X
- Outcome 6 - Technology Literacy
NURS 4430 or any other choice (Satisfied in Major) X
- Outcome 7 - Oral Communication

- COMM 2200, COMM 2201, or COMM 2202
(Therapeutic communication is a major thread in nursing and integral to patient care) 3
- Outcome 8 - Citizenship
Any choice 3
- Outcome 9- Ethics
NURS 3360 or any other choice (Satisfied in Major) X
- Outcome 10- Health and Well-being
NURS 4410, Any approved NURS course,
or any other choice (Satisfied in Major)..... X
- Outcome 11- Interdisciplinary
NURS 4440 or any other choice (Satisfied in Major) X
- Outcome 12 - Fine Arts
Any choice (3 credit hours required) 3
- Outcome 13 - Humanities
Any choice 3
- Outcome 14 - Social Sciences
Any choice 3
- Outcome 15 - Natural Sciences
Any choice 3
- Outcome 16 - Cultural Awareness
Any Choice 3

SUPPORT COURSES

STATISTICS

PSYC 2240, BSBA 3310, SOCY 2240, OR MATH 1550 3-4

MANAGEMENT

BSBA 2209 OR MGMT 3308..... 3

- Required BSN Nursing Courses28 SEM. HRS.
- NURS 3320 HEALTH ASSESSMENT 4
- NURS 3340 NURSING CARE OF THE OLDER ADULTS 3
- NURS 3350 PROFESSIONAL NURSING CONCEPTS 3
- NURS 3360 NURSING ETHICS 3
- NURS 4400 RESEARCH IN NURSING PRACTICE..... 3
- NURS 4410 COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING 5
- NURS 4430 LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT IN
NURSING PRACTICE..... 3
- NURS 4440 NURSING PRACTICUM 4

• Accelerated BSN

Students who have completed almost all of the general studies and support courses and those with a previous 4-year degree may opt for the Accelerated BSN Program of Study. The accelerated track allows a student to take 15 nursing credits in the first semester and 13 nursing credits in the second semester and complete the program in one academic year. Advisor permission is required.

- School Nurse Certificate
(Must have a BSN)

EDUC 2200 INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATION 3
 NURS 4441 SCHOOL NURSE PRACTICUM 4

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING DEGREE

The mission of the Associate of Science in Nursing Program is to provide quality nursing education to students in West Virginia and beyond. The program is designed to prepare graduates for a challenging and satisfying career as a nurse. The curriculum includes a balance of nursing, General Studies, and support courses. Students have the opportunity to apply nursing theory and skills in the campus simulation laboratories, in clinical settings which may include hospitals, homes, a rehabilitation center, schools, clinics, and physicians’ offices. Students are expected to provide their own transportation to all clinical experiences.

Fairmont State’s associate degree nursing program is designed to produce a graduate who is able to:

- 1) Promote human flourishing for patients of all ages.
- 2) Utilize nursing judgment to provide quality nursing care.
- 3) Demonstrate attributes of a professional identity consistent with core nursing values.
- 4) Demonstrate characteristics of a spirit of identity to improve healthcare quality.

Applicants are admitted to the nursing major as they complete the admission process and meet the admission requirements of Fairmont State University and the Associate Degree Nursing Program. Accepted students will be admitted into the next admission class for the ASN, ASN Weekend, and LPN-ASN programs. As classes are filled, a waitlist will be established. Applicants remaining on the waitlist must reapply for the next academic year. Application and admission requirements can be found on the website at

<https://www.fairmontstate.edu/schoolofnursing/academics/asn-admissions-requirements>

To progress in the nursing program, a student must receive a grade of “C” or higher in each nursing and required support course. Failure to meet either of these requirements will result in a student being sequenced in the program according to the

Readmission Policy. A student may only be re-sequenced in the program two times. To graduate from the nursing program, a student must have a grade of “C” or above in every nursing course and a cumulative 2.0 grade point average.

Graduates of the program are eligible to take the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) for licensure as a Registered Nurse. For licensure in West Virginia, candidates must meet the following legal requirements delineated in the West Virginia Code, Chapter 30, Article 7, Section 11.WV Code 30-7-11. Denial, revocation or suspension of license; grounds for discipline.

The Board shall have the power to deny, revoke or suspend any license to practice registered professional nursing issued or applied for in accordance with the provisions of this article, or to otherwise discipline a licensee or applicant upon proof that he or she:

- a) Is or was guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license to practice registered professional nursing; or
- b) Has been convicted of a felony; or
- c) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other causes; or
- d) Is habitually intemperate or is addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs; or
- e) Is mentally incompetent; or
- f) Is guilty of conduct derogatory to the morals or standing of the profession of registered nursing; or
- g) Is practicing or attempting to practice registered professional nursing without a license or registration; or
- h) Has willfully or repeatedly violated any of the provisions of this article

The nursing program is accredited by the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses(WVBOERP) and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing(ACEN).

WVBOERP	ACEN
90 MacCorkle Avenue, SW	3343 Peachtree Road
NE, Suite 850	
South Charleston, WV 25303	Atlanta Georgia 30326
(304) 744-0900	(404) 975-5000

Associate Degree Nurses are qualified to work in hospitals, nursing homes, physicians' offices and clinics. Graduates may also continue in higher education toward Bachelor's and Master's degrees in nursing and related fields.

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING.....	60 SEM. HRS.
Required Nursing Courses	41 SEM. HRS.
Required General Studies and Support Courses.....	19 SEM. HRS.

• ASN General Studies and Support Course Requirements

Outcome 1 - Critical Analysis	
ENGL 1102 - Written English II.....	3
Outcome 3 - Written Communication	
ENGL 1101 Written English I.....	3
Outcome 5 - Information Literacy	
ENGL 1102 Written English II.....	3
Outcome 14 - Social Science	
PSYC 1101 Intro to Psychology	3
Outcome 15 - Natural Science	
BIOL 1180/81 Anatomy and Physiology	4
and BIOL 2205 Technical Microbiology.....	3
Additional Support Courses	
FOSM 1110 Nutrition or FOSM 2299	3

• Required Nursing Courses for the traditional ASN Program

NURS 1101 FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING	7
NURS 1108 NURSING CARE OF ADULTS I	6
NURS 1115 MATERNAL-CHILD NURSING I	4
NURS 1120 NURSING PHARMACOLOGY I	1
NURS 2203 MENTAL HEALTH NURSING	4
NURS 2208 NURSING CARE OF ADULTS II.....	6
NURS 2110 NURSING PHARMACOLOGY II	1
NURS 2115 MATERNAL-CHILD NURSING II	2
NURS 2210 NURSING PHARMACOLOGY III.....	1
NURS 2211 PROFESSIONAL ROLE TRANSITION	2
NURS 2212 NURSING CARE OF ADULTS III.....	3
NURS 2215 MATERNAL-CHILD NURSING III	2
NURS 2220 NURSING CAPSTONE CLINICAL	2

ASN Weekend Program

This program is the same as the ASN Traditional Program and requires 60 credits. There are 41 required nursing credits and 19 required general studies and support course credits. The program is

designed for individuals who want to become an RN, but have obligations during the week which prohibit them from attending our traditional ASN program. The program is six semesters with summers off. It is offered face-to-face every other weekend (Friday afternoon through Sunday evening) which includes clinical time. General study and support courses can be taken prior to starting the program, online, evenings during the week, or during the summer. The next admission class for the weekend program is fall 2018.

LPN TO ASN ACCELERATED TRACKS

Once admitted to the Associate Degree Nursing Program, Licensed Practical Nurses are eligible for one of three matriculation processes.

- 1.) An LPN student can chose to matriculate through the program with the generic students starting in the second semester of the first year of the ASN program. LPN students receive credit for NURS 1101 (7 credits) based on possessing a current and unencumbered LPN license. Thus, the nursing courses can be completed in 3 full-time semesters. General Studies and support course requirements will need to be taken prior to and/or concurrently with the nursing courses.
-OR-
- 2.) An LPN student can choose the Accelerated Non-Traditional Track. The LPN student starts the program in the fall semester. The classes are offered synchronously online in the evenings and the clinical component is conducted two days each month. The student can complete the program in 12 months by completing most of the General Studies and support course requirements prior to starting the fall session.
-OR-
- 3.) An LPN student can choose to matriculate into the weekend part-time program starting in the second semester of the program. Thus the student can complete the program in five semesters.

BIOL 1180/81, Anatomy and Physiology and FOSM 1110 Nutrition or FOSM 2299, Nutrition for Healthcare may be taken for credit hours or the credit hours may be awarded by competency examinations.

Licensed practical nurses who are interested in the Associate Degree Nursing program should review the

application process on the School of Nursing
Academic home pages at
<https://www.fairmontstate.edu/schoolofnursing/academics/associate-degree-program>

• Required Nursing Courses for the Non-traditional
LPN-ASN Program:

BIOL 2205	TECHNICAL MICROBIOLOGY	3
NURS 1200	NURSING CARE ACROSS THE LIFESPAN I.....	7
NURS 1201	MENTAL HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFESPAN.....	3
NURS 1202	ASSESSMENT ACROSS THE LIFESPAN I.....	1
NURS 1203	TRANSITION FOR LPN	1
NURS 1204	PHARMACOLOGY ACROSS THE LIFESPAN I	1
NURS 2301	NURSING CARE ACROSS THE LIFESPAN II.....	7
NURS 2302	ASSESSMENT ACROSS THE LIFESPAN II.....	1
NURS 2303	PHARMACOLOGY ACROSS THE LIFESPAN II	1
NURS 2401	NURSING CARE ACROSS THE LIFESPAN III.....	5
NURS 2402	ROLE TRANSITION, PROFESSIONALISM, & MANAGEMENT.....	3
NURS 2403	CAPSTONE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE	3
NURS 2404	PHARMACOLOGY ACROSS THE LIFESPAN III	1

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students wishing to transfer into the ASN program must first meet the admission standards for the ASN program. Upon admission, transfer students will be required to provide a transcript from their previous school of nursing and submit, in writing, a request for transfer credit for specific nursing courses. Students must submit with the request, course descriptions, course outcomes, or any other materials requested. If a nursing course is determined to be equivalent to a Fairmont State University SON course, the student must then demonstrate competency regarding the course content by scoring an 800 or above on the corresponding HESI exam. Courses must be less than five years old. The full transfer policy is available in the ASN Student Handbook.

TRANSPORTATION

As most of these programs require considerable student attendance at off-campus locations, it is the student’s responsibility to provide transportation to all clinical affiliates. The utilization of car pools, when

appropriate, is encouraged to help meet the expense of those providing transportation.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Group liability insurance is provided to the students in all Nursing programs; the liability insurance is handled by the State of West Virginia. Students are not obligated to maintain any other liability insurance.

LAPTOP COMPUTERS

Students are required to have a laptop computer for the program. Computer requirements are listed on the website
<https://www.fairmontstate.edu/schoolofnursing/sites/default/files/laptop-requirements.pdf>.

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Interdisciplinary Programs

WOMEN'S STUDIES (MINOR ONLY)

The Women's Studies minor provides students with an avenue to explore contemporary and historical women's issues as they relate to traditional academic disciplines and human life. Awareness of women's issues has become an asset in any profession. Students wishing to elect this minor will need to work closely with their advisor. Most importantly, all component course selections must be made from the approved list of courses published each semester by the Women's Studies Coordinating Committee.

MINOR IN WOMEN'S STUDIES 18 SEM. HRS.

Required Courses (6 hrs.)

INTR 2201 INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN'S STUDIES..... 3
 INTR 4402 WOMEN'S STUDIES CAPSTONE 3

Electives (12 hrs.)

(Select four courses from the following list.)

BSBA 3325	WOMEN AND WORK	3
COMM 4420	CONTEMPORARY STORYTELLING.....	3
CRIM 3304	THE FEMALE OFFENDER	3
CRIM 3305	CHANGING ROLES OF WOMEN IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE.....	3
ENGL 3363	AMERICAN NOVEL	3
ENGL 3365	AMERICAN MODERNISM	3
ENGL 3366	CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE	3
ENGL 3379	VICTORIAN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 3380	20TH CENTURY BRITISH LITERATURE	3
ENGL 3381	BRITISH NOVEL	3
ENGL 3388	WOMEN'S LITERATURE.....	3
ENGL 3389	MINORITY LITERATURE.....	3
ENGL 3391	SHORT STORY.....	3
ENGL 3393	SOUTHERN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 3396	LITERATURE AND FILM	3
FOLK 3301	MATERIAL CULTURE	3
FOLK 3302	REGIONAL CULTURE, GEORGRAPHY, AND HISTORY	3
FREN 4426	MAIN CURRENTS IN FRENCH LITERATURE & CULTURE	3
HIST 3333	WOMEN IN AMERICAN HISTORY.....	3
HIST 3335	WOMEN IN WORLD HISTORY	3
HIST 4450	HISTORY OF AMERICAN SEXUALITIES.....	3
INTR 1150	WOMEN'S STUDIES COLLOQUIUM.....	1-3
INTR 1120	EXPERIENCING THE ARTS	3
SOCY 2205	PRINCIPLES OF RACE, CLASS, AND GENDER	3
SOCY 3310	SOCIOLOGY OF THE FAMILY	3
SOCY 4450	RACE AND ETHNICITY	3
THEA 2251	PLAYWRITING	3
THEA 3320	THE ART OF STORYTELLING IN THEORY AND PRACTICE.....	3