Nursing
Bachelor of Science

Overview of the Program:
- Broadens the nurse’s knowledge base
- Builds on ASN knowledge and skills
- Allows students to experience a variety of nursing settings
- Offers a balance of online and face to face classes
- Requires that students meet one night a week or less on campus
- Includes flexible clinical preceptorships for added convenience
- Requires only 120 total hours of clinical time
- Attempts to meet the needs of the working student
- Facilitates individual attention with faculty
- Features multiple progression options, including a one-year accelerated track

Employment Opportunities:
- In addition to the traditional employment settings listed for ASN graduates, BSN-prepared nurses are qualified for employment in the military, veteran’s hospitals, government agencies, public health, industrial nursing, research facilities, and other diverse settings.
- BSN-prepared nurses can also pursue graduate study and advanced practice preparation.

Accreditation:
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 and course placement requirements of Fairmont State.
2. Hold an active, unencumbered license to practice as a registered nurse in West Virginia.
3. Submit an application for FSU admission designating the Baccalaureate of Nursing as the major field of study to:
   The Director of Admissions
   1201 Locust Avenue
   Fairmont, WV 26554
4. Submit official college or diploma program transcripts.
5. Have and maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA and a C or above in all courses counted toward the BSN.

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www.fairmontstate.edu/schoolofnaha
Program Requirements:

Total Hours Required (120 minimum)

General Studies Requirements (30 hours minimum) (categories and courses offered are published in the FSU catalog)
- Quantitative Analysis (MATH 1107 or higher)
- Written Communication (ENGL 1104 and 1108)
- Oral Communication (COMM 2200, 2201, or 2202)
- Citizenship
- Fine Arts (3 hours required)
- Humanities (any literature course)
- Social Sciences
- Natural Sciences
- Cultural Awareness and Human Dignity
- Other general studies categories may be fulfilled by nursing courses.
- Some of the requirements may have been fulfilled in an ASN program.

Other Required Support Course Hours (6-7)
- Statistics (PSYC 2240, SOCY 2240, BUSN 3310, or MATH 1113)
- Management (MGMT 2209 or 3308)

Free Elective Hours (needed to achieve 120 total hours)

Nursing License (ASN or diploma) Credit (35 hours)

BSN Nursing Course Hours (28 hours)
- NURS 3320 Health Assessment (4 hours)
- NURS 3340 Nursing Care of the Older Adult (3 hours)
- NURS 3350 Professional Concepts in Nursing (3 hours)
- NURS 3360 Nursing Ethics (3 hours)
- NURS 4400 Nursing Research (3 hours)
- NURS 4410 Community Health Nursing (5 hours)
- NURS 4430 Leadership and Management in Nursing (3 hours)
- NURS 4440 Nursing Practicum (4 hours)

Post-graduates:
Those with previous four-year degrees automatically qualify for the accelerated track. Pending the Registrar's approval, general studies and total hours requirements will be considered fulfilled by the previous degree. Statistics and management courses are still required.

School Nurse Certification:
EDUC 2200 is required for school nurse certification. Clinical requirements for the certification are fulfilled in NURS 4440 (current BSN students) or NURS 4441 (returning BSN graduates).

Advising:
Registered nurses interested in the program should contact the Department of Nursing for individual advising and information about sequencing and progression options.

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