

Facilities. The diverse facilities of the community provide a wide variety of learning opportunities for individualized pursuit of student goals. Graduate and postbaccalaureate students have clinical placements, which are consistent with their career goals.

Graduate Writing Requirement

All students must meet the university's graduate writing proficiency requirement prior to being advanced to candidacy for the master's degree. Students fulfill the writing requirement by passing the writing component of NURS 221. Students can obtain additional information regarding the graduate writing requirement in the program's *Graduate Student Handbook*.

Advancement to Candidacy. Completion of 9 graduate units with a GPA of 3.0.

Graduate students are responsible for policies and regulations of the Division of Graduate Studies and those specified in the graduate nursing program brochure.

Thesis, Project, and Comprehensive Exam. The department offers students the option of writing a thesis, completing a project, or taking a written comprehensive exam. Information about the culminating experience is available from an adviser in nursing.

Note: All practicum courses require a minimum of three hours of clinical work per unit of credit to meet course objectives.

Nurse Practitioner Option combined with School Nurse Services Credential

Students concurrently enrolled in an articulated School Nurse Services Credential Program and Nurse Practitioner Option Program (SNC/PNP or SNC/FNP) are prepared for work as school nurse/nurse practitioners in a variety of primary health care settings where services are provided to school-age children and their families, including school-based clinics. Students completing this articulated option meet the educational requirements for a School Nurse Services Credential and Pediatric or Family Nurse Practitioner certification and may apply for additional ANA certification as School Nurse Practitioners.

Students in the articulated SNC/PNP or SNC/FNP program must complete 15 units of School Nurse Services Credential Program coursework in addition to their graduate program of study for nurse practitioners. Additional courses required for the School Nurse Services Credential:

	<i>Units</i>
NURS 180T or CDDS 188T Audiometry.....	3
NURS 184 Introduction to School Nursing	3
NURS 185 Seminar in School Nursing	3
NURS 186 School Nurse Practicum I (elementary).....	3
NURS 187 School Nurse Practicum II (secondary)	3

Note: Students selecting the comprehensive exam with 3-unit cognate option, rather than thesis or project options, may use 3 units from the coursework for the School Nurse Services Credential Program toward completion of the requirement for the master's degree.

Admission criteria and procedures for *both* programs must be met. Students must apply (and be accepted) to *both* the School Nurse Services Credential Program and the Graduate Program in Nursing. Consult the Graduate Coordinator *and* the School Nurse coordinator for advising.

COURSES Nursing (NURS)

NURS 8T. Beginning Topics in Nursing (1-3; max total 6 if no topic repeated)

Not available for credit in the nursing major. Selected topics in nursing for pre-nursing and/or beginning nursing students. Explores topics not covered in regular nursing courses.

NURS 10. Basic Concepts and Care of Elderly Clients (3)

Prerequisites: admission to the major. Corequisites: NURS 10A, 10L, 111, 112. Overview of theoretical and scientific foundations of nursing practice. Introduction to physiological, psychological, sociocultural, and developmental variables affecting individuals throughout the life span. Emphasis on basic concepts of pharmacotherapeutics and wellness promotion throughout the life span. FS

NURS 10A. Basic Skills in Nursing (2)

Prerequisite: admission to the major. Corequisites: NURS 10, 10L, 111, 112. Application of concepts from NURS 10 in simulated client situations, emphasis on assessment and interventions required to assist individuals in meeting their common health needs. (6 lab hours/week; course fee, \$40) FS

NURS 10L. Practicum: Basic Concepts and Care of Elderly Clients (1)

Prerequisite: admission to the major. Corequisites: NURS 10, 10A, 111, 112. Utilization of concepts from NURS 10 in selected health wellness settings. Supervised practice of health assessment, communication skills, and noninvasive nursing procedures. (3 clinical hours/week) FS

NURS 50. Cooperative Education in Nursing (1-3; max total 12; 45 hours/unit)

Prerequisites: current CPR certification; health clearance; NURS 10, 10A, 10L, 110, 110A, 110L. Provides students enrolled in the nursing major an opportunity to obtain structured work-study experiences, under the supervision of registered nurses, in participating health care agencies. Opportunities for additional practice and development of confidence through application of previously learned knowledge and skills. *CR/NC* grading only; not applicable toward degree requirements. FS

NURS 110. Basic Concepts in Nursing (3)

Prerequisites: NURS 10, 10A, 10L, 111, 112; CFS 38. Corequisites: NURS 110A, 110L, 124. Application of basic pathophysiology, pharmacotherapeutics, and assessment of clients across life span with emphasis on primary and secondary interventions, utilization of nursing process in care of clients with common health deviations. FS

NURS 110A. Advanced Skills in Nursing (2)

Prerequisites: NURS 10, 10A, 10L, 111, 112. Corequisites: NURS 110, 110L, 124. Integration and application of knowledge necessary to perform specific nursing psychomotor skills. Emphasis placed on understanding the principles underlying the techniques, procedures, and activities required while caring for clients with common health conditions. (6 lab hours/week; course fee, \$40) FS

NURS 110L. Practicum: Basic Concepts in Nursing (2)

Prerequisites: NURS 10, 10A, 10L, 111, 112. Corequisites: NURS 110, 110A, 124. Application of nursing process to clients with common health deviations. Identification of risk factors associated with stressors and provision of nursing care directed toward primary and secondary interventions. (6 clinical hours/week) FS

NURS 111. Integrated Health Assessment (1)

Prerequisites: admission to the major. Corequisites: NURS 10, 10A, 10L, 112.