



RN to BSN Degree Plan Checklist
College of the Ouachitas
University of Central Arkansas



Pre Admission Requirements

- ✓ Applicants must have earned an Associate of Applied Science degree in Registered Nursing
- ✓ Applicants must possess an unencumbered Registered Nurse (RN) License within the State of Arkansas
- ✓ Applicants must have completed the State Minimum General Education Core Curriculum (35 Hours)
- ✓ Applicants must have completed an additional 14 hours of specified courses and have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA
- ✓ Applicants must Submit all required documentation for general admission to UCA Online and the Nursing Program

The following is a guide¹ to the courses a student can take at **College of the Ouachitas** in order to satisfy the State Minimum General Education Core Curriculum and all UCA RN-to-BSN Pre-Admission Requirements (courses listed in **bold** may have already been completed as part of the AAS in Registered Nursing):

General Education Core (35 credit hours)²

English/Communication (9 credit hours)⁴			UCA³	Semester	Hours	Grade
ENGL	1113	Composition I	WRTG 1310		3	
ENGL	1213	Composition II	WRTG 1320		3	
COMM	2113	Oral Communication	COMM 1300		3	

Mathematics (3 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
MATH	1143	College Algebra	MATH 1390		3	

Lab Sciences (8 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
BIOL	2244	Microbiology w/Lab	BIOL 2411		4	
CHEM	1214	General Chemistry I	CHEM 1450		4	

Fine Arts/Humanities (6 credit hours)			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
HUMN	2113	Choose one: Humanities: Art	ART 2300		3	
HUMN	2123	Humanities: Music	MUS 2300			
HUMN	2133	Humanities: Theatre (or other COTO Fine Arts)	THEA 2300			
ENGL	2213	Choose one: World Literature I	ENGL 2305		3	
ENGL	2223	World Literature II (or other COTO Humanities)	ENGL 2306			

Social Sciences (6 credit hours)			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
HIST	2113	Choose one: US History through 1875	HIST 2301		3	
HIST	2123	US History since 1875	HIST 2302			
GOVT	2113	American National Government	PSCI 1330			
HIST	1113	Choose one: Civilization through 16th Century	HIST 1310		3	
HIST	1123	Civilization since 16th Century (or other COTO Social Science)	HIST 1320			

Social or Behavioral Science Elective (3 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
PSYC	1113	General Psychology	PSYC 1300		3	

Additional Requirements (14 Credit Hours)⁴

			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
BIOL	2224	Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab	BIOL 2406		4	
BIOL	2234	Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab	BIOL 2407		4	
GBUS	2023	Business Statistics	QMTH 2330		3	
PSYC	2123	Human Growth and Development	PSYC 2370		3	

Total Hours: 49⁵

Please note: Completion of all Pre-Admission Requirements does not guarantee admission into the UCA RN-to-BSN program.



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Online Nursing Course Requirements (30 Credit Hours)**

			Semester	Hours	Grade
NURS	3201	Nurse as Educator		2	
NURS	4220	Health Policy & Professional Issues in Nursing (UD UCA Core: D)		2	
NURS	4245	RN to BSN Transition		2	
NURS	4315	Research & Evidence Based Practice (UD UCA Core: I)		3	
NURS	4335	Nursing Informatics		3	
NURS	4340	Health & Physical Assessment		3	
NURS	4345	Pathophysiology Clinical Applications		3	
NURS	4510	Community Health Nursing		5	
NURS	4515	Nursing Leadership & Management		5	
		Upper Division Approved Elective		2	

Total: 30

Articulation Credit Awarded Post-Completion of UCA Nursing Courses (41 Credit Hours)

			Hours
NURS	2305	Health Assessment	3
NURS	2310	Nursing Pharmacology	3
NURS	2505	Concepts of Professional Nursing	5
NURS	2510	Medical-Surgical Nursing	5
NURS	3501	Maternal-Newborn Nursing	5
NURS	3505	Child & Adolescent Nursing	5
NURS	3510	Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing	5
NURS	3515	Chronic Health Nursing & Older Adult Wellness (UD UCA Core: R)	5
NURS	4505	Caring for Adults with Complex Health Problems (UD UCA Core: C)	5

Total: 41

BSN Total: 120⁶

¹ This checklist is designed to serve as a guide regarding the UCA RN-to-BSN Pre-Admission courses which can be completed on the COTO campus. It is the student's responsibility to verify that all COTO state minimum core course and prerequisite requirements are being met.

² Courses listed in **bold** may have been completed as part of the Associate of Applied Science in Registered Nursing.

³ UCA course is either guaranteed by ACTS (acts.adhe.edu) or by UCA Department Chair approval (if blank, elective credit will be awarded).

⁴ Student must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all of the courses within this section.

⁵ Students who previously attended UCA are encouraged to use this guide as well. Such students will need to apply for readmission to UCA once all RN-to-BSN prerequisite requirements have been met.

⁶ For more information about the UCA RN-to-BSN program, please visit uca.edu/online/programs/rn-to-bsn-nursing-program/, contact Rose Schlosser, Nursing Academic Counselor, (501-450-3119 or rschlosser@uca.edu) or visit uca.edu/nursing. If you have credit to transfer from another institution, please contact Ms. Schlosser for assistance.