



**RN to BSN Degree Plan Checklist  
Arkansas State University-Newport  
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 guide<sup>1</sup> to the courses a student can take at **Arkansas State University - Newport** 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)<sup>2</sup>**

<b>English/Communication (9 credit hours)<sup>4</sup></b>			<b>UCA<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
ENG	<b>1003</b>	<b>Composition I</b>	<b>WRTG 1310</b>		<b>3</b>	
ENG	<b>1013</b>	<b>Composition II</b>	<b>WRTG 1320</b>		<b>3</b>	
SPCH	1203	<b>Choose one:<sup>5</sup></b> Oral Communications Fine Arts/Humanities course (see category below for options) Social Science course (see category below for options)	COMM 1300		3	

<b>Mathematics (3 credit hours)<sup>4</sup></b>			<b>UCA</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
MATH	1023	College Algebra	MATH 1390		3	

<b>Lab Sciences (8 credit hours)<sup>4</sup></b>			<b>UCA</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
BIOL	<b>2004</b>	<b>Microbiology and Lab</b>	<b>BIOL 2411</b>		<b>4</b>	
CHEM	1014	General Chemistry I and Lab	CHEM 1450		4	

<b>Fine Arts/Humanities (6 credit hours)</b>			<b>UCA</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
ART	2503	<b>Choose one:</b> Fine Arts – Visual	ART 2300		3	
MUS	2503	Fine Arts – Musical	MUS 2300			
THEA	2503	Fine Arts – Theatre (or other ASUN Fine Arts)	THEA 2300			
ENG	2003	<b>Choose one:</b> Introduction to Literature of the Western World I	ENGL 2305		3	
ENG	2013	Introduction to Literature of the Western World II (or other ASUN Humanities)	ENGL 2306			

<b>Social Sciences (6 credit hours)</b>			<b>UCA</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
HIST	2763	<b>Choose one:</b> The United States to 1876	HIST 2301		3	
HIST	2773	The United States Since 1876	HIST 2302			
POSC	2103	Introduction to United States Government	PSCI 1330			
PSY	<b>2013</b>	<b>Introduction to Psychology</b>	<b>PSYC 1300</b>		<b>3</b>	

<b>Social or Behavioral Science Elective (3 credit hours)<sup>4</sup></b>			<b>UCA</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
PSY	<b>2533</b>	<b>Lifespan Development</b>	<b>PSYC 2370</b>		<b>3</b>	

**Additional Requirements (14 Credit Hours)<sup>4</sup>**

			<b>UCA</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>
BIOL	<b>2404</b>	<b>Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab</b>	<b>BIOL 1410</b>		<b>4</b>	
BIOL	<b>2414</b>	<b>Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab</b>	<b>BIOL 2410</b>		<b>4</b>	
MATH	2233	Applied Statistics	MATH 2311		3	
		General Elective			3	

**Total Hours: 49<sup>6</sup>**

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



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**University of Central Arkansas  
Online Nursing Course Requirements (30 Credit Hours)**

			Semester	Hours	Grade
NURS	4245	RN to BSN Transitions		2	
NURS	4V14	<b>Choose one:</b> Special Studies in Nursing Or Approved Elective		3	
NURS	4315	Research & Evidence-Based Practice (UD UCA Core: I, C)		3	
NURS	4320	Health Policy & Professional Issues in Nursing (UD UCA Core: D)		3	
NURS	4335	Nursing Informatics		3	
NURS	4340	Health & Physical Assessment for RNs		3	
NURS	4345	Pathophysiology Clinical Applications for RNs		3	
NURS	4511	Community & Population Health Nursing for RNs (UD UCA Core: R)		5	
NURS	4516	Nursing Leadership & Management for RNs		5	
				<b>Total: 30</b>	

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

			Hours
NURS	2305	Health Assessment	3
NURS	3205	Pharmacology II	2
NURS	3303	Fundamentals of Professional Nursing	3
NURS	3304	Nursing Care of the Older Adult	3
NURS	3405	Essential Nursing Skills	4
NURS	3406	Child & Adolescent Nursing	4
NURS	3407	Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS	3525	Medical-Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS	4403	Maternal Newborn Nursing	4
NURS	4430	Immersion Experience (UD UCA Core: Z)	4
NURS	4525	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	5
			<b>Total: 41</b>
			<b>BSN Total: 120<sup>7</sup></b>

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

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

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

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

<sup>5</sup> Student may choose to complete a Speech Communication course or an additional Fine Arts/Humanities or Social Science course in order to fulfill the State Minimum General Education Core Curriculum.

<sup>6</sup> 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.

<sup>7</sup> For more information about the program, please visit [uca.edu/online](http://uca.edu/online), contact Amanda Abramovitz, RN Education Counselor, (501-450-3120 or [aabramovitz@uca.edu](mailto:aabramovitz@uca.edu)) or visit [uca.edu/nursing](http://uca.edu/nursing). If you have credit to transfer from another institution, please contact Ms. Abramovitz for assistance.