



**RN to BSN Degree Plan Checklist
Northwest Arkansas Community College
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 **Northwest Arkansas Community College** 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 (36 credit hours)²

English/Communication (9 credit hours)⁴			UCA³	Semester	Hours	Grade
ENGL	1013	Composition I	WRTG 1310		3	
ENGL	1023	Composition II	WRTG 1320		3	
COMM	1303	Choose one:⁵ Public Speaking Fine Arts/Humanities course (see category below for options) Social Science course (see category below for options)	COMM 1300		3	

Mathematics (4 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
MATH	1203	College Algebra	MATH 1390		4	

Lab Sciences (8 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
MBIO	2014	General Microbiology	BIOL 2411		4	
CHEM	1074	Fundamentals of Chemistry	CHEM 1402		4	

Fine Arts/Humanities (6 credit hours)			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
ARHS	1003	Choose one: Art Appreciation	ART 2300		3	
MUSI	1003	Music Appreciation	MUS 2300			
THTR	1003	Introduction to Theatre <i>(or other NWACC Fine Arts)</i>	THEA 2300			
ENGL	2213	Choose one: Survey of World Literature to 1650	ENGL 2305		3	
ENGL	2223	Survey of World Literature from 1650 <i>(or other NWACC Humanities)</i>	ENGL 2306			

Social Sciences (6 credit hours)			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
HIST	2003	Choose one: History of American People to 1877	HIST 2301		3	
HIST	2013	History of American People from 1877 to Present	HIST 2302			
PLSC	2003	American National Government	PSCI 1330			
PSYC	2003	General Psychology	PSYC 1300		3	

Social or Behavioral Science Electives (3 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
PSYC	2103	Human Growth and Development	PSYC 2370		3	

Additional Requirements (13 Credit Hours)⁴

			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
BIOL	2214	Anatomy and Physiology I	BIOL 1410			
BIOL	2224	Anatomy and Physiology II	BIOL 2410		4	
CISQ	2013	Business Statistics	QMTH 2330		3	
		General Elective			2	

Total Hours: 49⁶

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	4245	RN to BSN Transitions		2	
NURS	4V14	Choose one: 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	

Total: 30

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

Total: 41

BSN Total: 120⁷

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 NWACC campus. It is the student's responsibility to verify that all NWACC 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 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.

⁶ 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.

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