



**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 guide¹ 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)²

English/Communication (9 credit hours)⁴			UCA³	Semester	Hours	Grade
ENG	1003	Composition I	WRTG 1310		3	
ENG	1013	Composition II	WRTG 1320		3	
SPCH	1203	Choose one:⁵ Oral Communications Fine Arts/Humanities course (see category below for options) Social Science course (see category below for options)	COMM 1300		3	

Mathematics (3 credit hours)⁴			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
MATH	1023	College Algebra	MATH 1390		3	

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

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

Social Sciences (6 credit hours)			UCA	Semester	Hours	Grade
HIST	2763	Choose one: 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	2013	Introduction to Psychology	PSYC 1300		3	

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

Additional Requirements (14 Credit Hours)⁴

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

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