

SCHOOL OF NURSING



WHY STUDY AT UCA?

The University of Central Arkansas is committed to a bright future - that includes you! At UCA, you're provided an innovative, collaborative education within a culture of student support and success

Through high impact teaching practices like internships, hands-on research opportunities, and service learning, we'll provide you with the experiences you need to grow as a person and enter the workforce confidently. We can't wait to see you thrive!

BEAR EXPERIENCE

The Bear Experience is a campus-wide initiative to promote experiential learning beyond the classroom.

The Bear Experience offers students the opportunity to thoughtfully plan their college experiences by integrating them with their academic curriculum, personal values and future goals.

- Bear Experience Pathways:
- Community Engagement and Service
- Diversity Awareness and Inclusion
- Intellectual and Professional Development
- Well Being and Personal Development

Visit uca.edu/bearexperience for more information.

At the University of Central Arkansas School of Nursing, commitment to excellence in nursing education and student success is our primary mission. Nursing is a professional discipline concerned with meeting the healthcare needs of a diverse and changing society. Learning is a lifelong endeavor that fosters intellectual and personal growth through critical thinking, active inquiry, and creative experiences. We strive to graduate ethical, compassionate, caring nurses who treat each person as a holistic being. As part of the College of Health and Behavioral Sciences, the School of Nursing is active in interprofessional education as we educate the next generation of nurses.

ALUMNI STORY

I chose to attend UCA School of Nursing because of its reputation of student success and faculty mentorship. Because I chose UCA from the beginning I am now a three- time alumni – BSN 1999, MSN 2011, and DNP 2016. This program prepared me to be a nurse, an educator, and a leader. Because of this, I am now an Assistant Professor in the School of Nursing. There is no place I would rather be!

Dr. Laura Hall, DNP, RN, CNL-BC

TOP 5 REASONS STUDENTS STATED THEY CHOSE UCA SCHOOL OF NURSING

- 1 **Excellent reputation – program highly recommended by alumni as well as hospital facilities**
- 2 **University and SON scholarships – in 2021, the SON awarded 12 undergraduate scholarship for a total of \$20,000**
- 3 **The program is more affordable when compared to other schools**
- 4 **The two-year BSN program as well as opportunity for advanced degrees**
- 5 **Faculty who care about student success leading to high NCLEX passing rates**

TOP REASONS TO STUDY NURSING AT UCA

- 1 **GREATER THAN 90% OF STUDENTS HAVE SECURED EMPLOYMENT BEFORE GRADUATION**
- 2 **STATE OF THE ART SIMULATION CENTER**
- 3 **PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL HEALTH SYSTEMS WHICH PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**
- 4 **ACCREDITED BY COMMISSION ON COLLEGIATE NURSING EDUCATION (CCNE)**
- 5 **OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE ADVANCED NURSING DEGREES AT UCA**

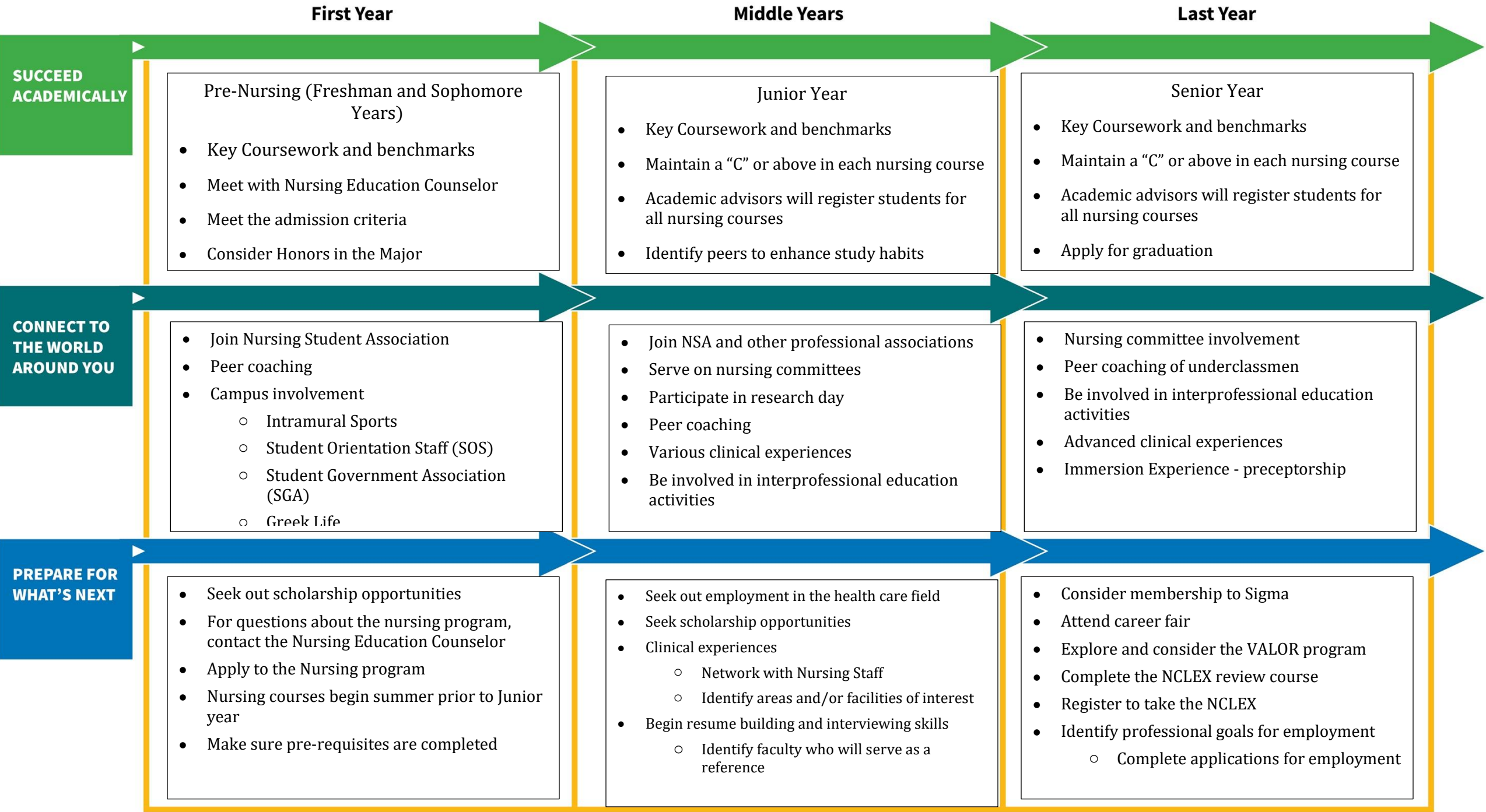
HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use the four rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for your success by seeing the many overlapping and connected areas of career and academics. Get started thinking about your future now. Where do you see yourself after you finish your degree? If you have tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree, it helps you with short-term decisions about experiences, courses, and helps keep you motivated for success!

GET THE HELP YOU NEED

UCA 's number one goal is student success--YOUR success--and we have a campus full of people and services available to help you succeed throughout your UCA experience. Whether you need help with study skills or health care, we have resources available. The Navigate Student mobile app or Navigate for Students in myUCA will connect you with available resources. You can also use Navigate to make an appointment with your academic advisor, a peer coach, or even Student Accounts.

Ready to find out more? Visit uca.edu/success and download the Navigate app.



WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS MAJOR?

After graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree (BSN) and becoming a licensed registered nurse (RN), you can work as an RN in a wide variety of settings such as hospitals, clinics, or other areas within the community. Employment can be full-time or part-time working during the day, the night, or weekends. Employment opportunities as an RN have no boundaries.

WHAT SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS MIGHT I NEED?

Nursing is a profession that interacts with peers, patients, families, and other healthcare professionals. Therefore, excellent communication skills are very important.

NURSES DEMONSTRATE CARING:

- C = Collaboration
- A = Autonomy
- R = Respect
- I = Integrity
- N = Nurturing
- G = Good problem solving