

2025-2026 Old Dominion University Catalog

Bachelor of Science in Nursing: Nursing Post-Licensure Major (w/ VCCS Equivalencies)

*indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer. Follow the Articulation Agreement for the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing for ease of transfer (for a list of Articulation Agreements please visit www.odu.edu/transfer)

Lower Division General Education and Departmental Requirements

General Education Coursework:	VCCS Equivalency:	Departmental Requirements:	VCCS Equivalency:
*ENGL 110C: English Composition I	ENG 111	*PSYC 203S: Developmental Psychology	PSY 230, 231, 232 or 235
*ENGL 211C English Composition II	Transfer Equivalency Guide	*SOC 201S: Intro to Sociology	SOC 200, 201 or 202
*STAT 130M: Statistics	MTH 146, 155, 157, 240, 241, 242 or 245	*CHEM 105/106N: Intro to Chemistry or CHEM 121/122N: General Chemistry I	CHM 101 or 121 or 111
Literature	Transfer Equivalency Guide	*BIOL 150/151: Introduction to Microbiology	BIO 150, 205 or NAS 185
Interpreting the Past	Transfer Equivalency Guide	*BIOL 250 Human A&P I or BIOL 240 Fundamentals of A&P I	BIO 141, 231 or NAS 161
Philosophy and Ethics	Transfer Equivalency Guide	*BIOL 251 Human A&P II or BIOL 241 Fundamentals of A&P II	BIO 142, 232 or NAS 162
Human Creativity Way of Knowing	Transfer Equivalency Guide	Impact of Technology	Transfer Equivalency Guide
Language and Culture I & II	Transfer Equivalency Guide		

UPPER DIVISION/MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - Require a Grade of C or better

Completion of 100/200 level courses is required prior to 300/400 level NURS Course enrollment.

FALL SEMESTER (13 credits)	SPRING SEMESTER (13 credits)	SUMMER SEMESTER (13 credits)	Experiential Learning Credit - Granted for RN Licensure (33 credits)
NURS 305 Health Assessment (3 credits)	NURS 402 Role Development for the BSN as Educator (3 credits)	NURS 412: Ethics, Law, Economics & Health Policy: Application to Quality Nursing Practice (3 Credits)	NURS 398 Clinical Nursing Concepts I (17 credits)
NURS 401 Intro to Professional Development for the BSN as Educator (4 credits)	NURS 363 Principles of Practice: Research as Foundation for Practice (3 credits)	NURS 492 Community Health Nursing (3 credits)	NURS 498 Clinical Nursing Concepts II (16 credits)
NURS 306 Theoretical Foundations of Professional Nursing (3 credits)	NURS 490W Nursing Leadership (3 credits)	NURS 403 Transition to BSN Practice (4 credits)	
Upper Division General Education/Option D (3 credits)	Upper Division General Education / Option D/ (3 credits)	NURS 417 Nursing Informatics (1 credit)	

BSN Program Information

- Old Dominion University's School of Nursing baccalaureate degree program is designed to prepare students for careers as practitioners of professional nursing in a variety of health care settings and/or for graduate study in nursing. The program is fully accredited by the Virginia State Board of Nursing and the Commission on Collegiate Education in Nursing. <https://www.odu.edu/nursing/undergraduate/postlicensure>
- The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (post-licensure and concurrent curriculum) is designed for students who are registered nurses or concurrent enrolled in an RN program at a partner institution. A separate application to the School of Nursing is required. Students should complete lower division requirements before beginning the upper level nursing courses.
- Students may begin the program in the fall or spring semester. Admission to the University does not guarantee acceptance to the nursing major. Nursing classes may not be taken as non-degree seeking.
- Students can complete all nursing courses in two years of part-time study or one year of full-time study.
- As students advance in the program, a total of 33 experiential learning credits for NURS 398 and NURS 498 are awarded with documentation of RN licensure in the US. These credits are awarded at no cost to the student.
- A grade of C (2.00) or better is required in all nursing courses to continue in the nursing program. An average of 80% or better on objective tests within a nursing course is required to earn a grade of C (2.00). A cumulative GPA of 2.00 or better is required to continue in the nursing program. A nursing student who fails a nursing course and is readmitted to the nursing program is allowed to repeat the failed course only once. A student may be readmitted to the nursing major only once.
- Course prerequisites are strictly enforced. Please refer to University Catalog for prerequisites of all courses.
- "Option D" is the default option to fulfill the university's Upper Division general education requirement. With this option, students may take any six credit hours at the 300/400 level from outside the College of Health Sciences (six (6) credits at the 300-400 level EXCEPT NURS courses. Students may also meet upper division general education with a minor or previous bachelor's degree.
- The general education requirement in foreign language is met or waived for students who:
 - Completed high school before December 31, 1985 (also applies if GED received after a scheduled graduation of December 31, 1985 or earlier).
 - Completed the third level of one foreign language in high school.
 - Completed the second level in each of two foreign languages in high school.
 - Earned a university-parallel associate's degree approved to meet all lower division general education requirements.
 - Earned a bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution prior to admission to ODU as a second degree student.
 - Have a native language other than English.
 If the requirement is not met by one of those means, students must successfully complete the 102F or 111F level of a college foreign language course.
- Students are held individually responsible for the information contained in the University Catalog. Failure to read and comply with University regulations will not exempt students from whatever penalties they may incur.