

NURSING- BSN

The Baccalaureate Degree Program-College for Women (BDP-CFW) program of study in the School of Nursing at St. Catherine University prepares students to be safe, effective, professional general practitioners, function as responsible members of the nursing profession, and continue formal education through advanced study. Upon graduation, students are awarded the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree (B.S.N.). Graduates are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN) to become a registered nurse and apply for public health certification and graduate programs in nursing. After passing NCLEX and obtaining RN licensure, graduates are also eligible for certification in holistic nursing by the American Holistic Nurses Certification Corporation (AHNCC).

Admission to the Major in the College for Women

All nursing candidates students must submit the nursing major application materials by a specified deadline in order to be considered for admission. Candidates should contact the School of Nursing at baccnursing@stkate.edu to receive application information.

Students apply for admission to the nursing major in the fall semester. The application opens **August 25th**, submission is due **September 15th**, and compliance requirements for application are due **November 1st**. The notification of decision is in early January. Students will be considered for admission to the nursing major in two groups.

1. Students who begin at St. Kate's as first year students are guaranteed admission into the nursing major provided they have a 3.25* or higher prerequisite GPA and a TEAS test result that is proficient or higher. Students must also complete all other admission requirements under the application eligibility criteria.
2. First year students who do not meet the requirements for guaranteed admission and students who transfer to St. Kate's will be offered admission into the nursing major contingent upon the number of positions available. Transfer students must meet the minimum 3.0 prerequisite GPA, have a TEAS test result that is proficient or higher, and they must also complete all other application eligibility criteria. Applications will be rank ordered by prerequisite GPA and TEAS results in the event that there are more students who are qualified than there are spots available.

*Students who began at St. Kate's as first-year students prior to 2018 are guaranteed admission into the nursing major with 3.0 or higher prerequisite GPA.

Application eligibility criteria:

1. Prerequisite GPA of 3.0 or higher.
2. TEAS result of proficient or higher. TEAS test exam results must be within three years of the application to the major submission date.
3. Successful completion (C or above) of all prerequisite courses prior to admission.
4. All math and science prerequisites need to have been completed within five years prior to the first term of enrollment at the University.
5. No prerequisite or corequisite course may be taken "Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory."
6. Students who received more than two prerequisite course grades of a W or C- or lower within the last 5 years are ineligible for the nursing major.

7. If a prerequisite course grade is a C- or lower, this course (or an alternative course approved by the baccalaureate nursing program director) must be successfully completed with a grade of C or above.
8. Certification as a nursing assistant (CNA). Must be on the Minnesota CNA registry at the time of application for admission to the program.
9. Basic Life Support Certification (CPR/BLS). BLS through the American Heart Association or American Red Cross is required. Fully online courses will not be accepted, however a hybrid format (online + classroom) will fulfill the requirement. This certification must be maintained throughout the program.
10. Documented completion of all required immunizations and a clear criminal background check.
11. Students who have been unsuccessful in a previous nursing program at St. Catherine University or any other institution in the last five years are ineligible for this nursing program.

*Cumulative GPA is calculated using all college credits completed in the last 10 years, including Ds or Fs earned at other institutions.

Important Technical Standards

For successful admission and continuance in St. Catherine University's pre-licensure nursing programs, a specific set of essential cognitive, sensory, communication, psychomotor, and behavioral/ emotional/ spiritual health abilities are required to be performed with or without reasonable accommodations.

Read the full requirements (<https://stkate.box.com/s/rzo0wgvertulhjcaumvqnk71rkqa3ynt/>)

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
Nursing Courses		
NURS 2000	Foundations in Nursing and Holistic Health Assessment	6
NURS 2020	Holistic Nursing Philosophy, Theory, and Practice	4
NURS 3XXX	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology I: Application in Nursing	4
NURS 3XXX	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology II: Application in Nursing	4
NURS 3XXX	Acute Care I: Holistic Nursing Across the Lifespan	4
NURS 3XXX	Acute Care II: Holistic Nursing Across the Lifespan	4
NURS 3XXX	Population and Global Health Nursing	4
NURS 3XXX	Behavioral Health Nursing	4
NURS 4XXX	Complex Holistic Nursing Care	4
NURS 4XXX	Holistic Nursing Care of Children and Childbearing Families	4
NURS 4XXX	Transformational Leadership	3
NURS 4XXX	Holistic Nursing Preceptorship	4
NURS 4XXX	Preparation for Nursing Practice	1
Total Credits		50
Prerequisite Courses (minimum grade of C required)		
BIOL 2200	Introduction to Microbiology with Lab ¹	4

BIOL 2610 & BIOL 2620	Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab and Human Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab ¹	8
or BIOL 2400 & BIOL 2410	General Anatomy and Physiology with Lab and Advanced Anatomy and Physiology with Lab	
CHEM 1010	General Chemistry for Health Sciences with Lab ¹	4-8
or CHEM 1110 & CHEM 1120	General Chemistry I with Lab and General Chemistry II with Lab	
FSNU 2300	Nutrition Foundations	4
IPE 1020	Medical Terminology	1
NURS 2994	Topics (Nursing Med Math Topics) ¹	4
or STAT 1090	Statistical Analysis	
or PSYC 1090	Statistical Methods in Psychology	
PSYC 1001	General Psychology with Lab	4
or PSYC 2025	Lifespan Developmental Psychology	
Select one of the following:		4
ECON 1120	Economics of Social Issues	
HHS 2000	Culture, Health and Healing	
SOCI 1000	Principles and Concepts of Sociology	
SOCI 2300	Sociology of Health and Medicine	
SOCI 3250	Cultural Anthropology	

Total Credits **33-37**

Code	Title	Credits
Required Supporting Courses (minimum grade of C required)		
IPE 4200W	Healthcare Teams - Evidence-Based Practice ²	4

Total Credits **4**

¹ Must have been completed within the 5 years prior to first term of enrollment at the University.

² May be taken concurrent with nursing courses. All other required courses must be completed before beginning the nursing course sequence.

Nursing majors satisfy the Writing Requirement for Majors in IPE 4200W Healthcare Teams - Evidence-Based Practice. They complete the Liberal Arts and Science Core Writing Requirement with three other writing-intensive courses (CORE 1000W The Reflective Woman, CORE 3990W Global Search for Justice and any other writing-intensive course in another department).

Code	Title	Credits
Fall Term		
BIOL 2610	Human Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab	4
CHEM 1010	General Chemistry for Health Sciences with Lab ¹	4
CORE 1000W	The Reflective Woman	4
PSYC 1001	General Psychology with Lab	4
or PSYC 2025	Lifespan Developmental Psychology	
Spring Term		
BIOL 2200	Introduction to Microbiology with Lab	4
BIOL 2620	Human Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab	4
IPE 1020	Medical Terminology	1
Select one from:		4

ECON 1120	Economics of Social Issues	
HHS 2050	Culture, Health and Healing	
SOCI 1000	Principles and Concepts of Sociology	
SOCI 2300	Sociology of Health and Medicine	
SOCI 3250	Cultural Anthropology	
Select one from:		4
NURS 2994	Topics (Nursing Med Math Topics)	
PSYC 1090	Statistical Methods in Psychology	
STAT 1090	Statistical Analysis	

Fall Term

NURS 2XXX	Foundations of Nursing Care	4
NURS 2XXX	Holistic Nursing Philosophy, Theory and Practice	3

Spring Term

FSNU 2300	Nutrition Foundations	4
NURS 2XXX	Health Assessment and Foundational Nursing Skills	3

Fall Term

NURS 3XXX	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology I: Application in Nursing	4
NURS 3XXX	Acute Care I: Holistic Nursing Across the Lifespan	4
NURS 3XXX	Population and Global Health Nursing	4

Spring Term

NURS 3XXX	Pathophysiology and Pharmacology II: Application in Nursing	
NURS 3XXX	Acute Care II: Holistic Nursing Across the Lifespan	4
NURS 3XXX	Behavioral Health Nursing	4

Fall Term

IPE 4200W	Healthcare Teams - Evidence-Based Practice ²	4
NURS 4XXX	Complex Holistic Nursing Care	4
NURS 4XXX	Holistic Nursing Care of Children and Childbearing Families	4

Spring Term

CORE 3990W	Global Search for Justice	4
NURS 4XXX	Transformational Leadership	3
NURS 4XXX	Holistic Nursing Preceptorship	4
NURS 4XXX	Preparation for Nursing Practice	1

Total Credits **91**

*You must take the Liberal Arts Core and writing-intensive courses that meet the requirements to complete a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in nursing.

¹ Or CHEM 1110 and CHEM 1120

² Can be taken fall or spring term