



## Transfer Planning Guide

### St. Ambrose University

### A.S. to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (pre-licensure)

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#### TRANSFER FACTS

- Students wishing to enter the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) major (pre-licensure) at SAU after completing the Associate in Science (AS) degree at Black Hawk College should complete the courses below. For transfer students completing the AS degree at BHC, the BSN can be completed in two years of full-time study after transfer.
- To be accepted to the nursing major students must:
  - Complete an admissions application to SAU and complete a separate admissions application to the Department of Nursing. For fall admission, the application deadline is December 1 of the previous year, and for spring admission, the application deadline is July 1 of the previous year. See admission and degree details at [FAQ's](#).
  - Have a cumulative college GPA of 3.0 or higher. Students with a GPA lower than 3.0 may submit a letter of petition to the Admission and Progression Committee explaining the circumstances related to the GPA. *Admission is very competitive.*
  - Complete prerequisite course requirements with a "C" grade or higher. For course list see [SAU Nursing Pre-requisite courses.pdf](#)
  - Complete a CNA (certified nursing assistant) course and hold active status on a state registry.
  - Complete the American Heart Association BLS Provider CPR course.
  - Upon acceptance, initiate certified background check process.
- The SAU Nursing Department does not require any formal entrance testing at this time (i.e. TEAS, HESI).
- CNA Course Availability:** BHC offers the [Basic Nurse Assistant Training Program](#) twice each fall and spring semester, and some summers. The course is NA 100 (8 credit hours). Please consult BHC's semester schedules for course availability.
- Foreign Language Note:** SAU requires three years of the same language in high school or the equivalent of two semesters at the college level or proficiency through 102 level. Sign language may meet this requirement. Foreign language at the 202 level or above will meet a humanities requirement at Black Hawk College.

**SUGGESTED COURSES** - for students wishing to earn the ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE degree at BHC and fulfill prerequisite and general education requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at SAU.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Year, Fall Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	SAU Equivalent
	ENG 101	3	ENGL elective
	HEAL 102	2-3	KIN 149
	PSYC 101	3	PSYC 105
6	BIOL 100 or BIOL 101	4	BIOL 101
1,2	MATH 118 or other course	5	MATH 171 or other course
	<b>Semester Hours</b>	<b>17-18</b>	

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Year, Spring Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	SAU Equivalent
	ENG 102	3	ENGL 101

	CHEM 110	4	CHEM 103
	SPEC 101	3	COMM 129
2,4,5	Elective	3	varies
	SOC 101	3	SOC 101
	<b>Semester Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Year, Fall Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	SAU Equivalent
	MATH 108	3	STAT 213
	BIOL 145	4	BIOL 230
2,4,5	Elective	3	varies
3,4	Fine Arts	3	Fine Arts
	PHIL 103	3	PHIL 207
	<b>Semester Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Year, Spring Semester

Notes	BHC Courses	SH	SAU Equivalent
	BIOL 146	4	BIOL 232
	BIOL 261	4	BIOL 211
	PSYC 200	3	PSYC 212
2,4,5	Elective	4	varies
	<b>Semester Hours</b>	<b>15</b>	

**Minimum total hours required for associate degree – 64**

#### NOTES:

- MATH 118 Pre-calculus (SAU MATH 171 Elementary Functions) -- St Ambrose requires MATH 171 as a pre-requisite/co-requisite for Biology 101, Chemistry 103 and Stats 213 if taking these courses at SAU. If a student transfers the equivalent of these courses to SAU with a C grade or higher, the student is not required to take Math 171. For the AS degree, a different college level math course must be selected. Students would also have the option to graduate with the AA degree and should take another humanities or fine arts course instead of MATH 118 (HIST 222 Comparative Religions or a PHIL course is recommended). Math 108 is minimally required for the BSN. See a BHC advisor about choosing the AS or AA degree.
- Students choose electives to meet additional hours required for graduation. Recommended: Foreign language (4-8 credits) if needed (see Note 5); a humanities course such as PHIL 100, PHIL 101, PHIL 206, or HIST 222 (3 credits); a computer science course such as CS 100, CS 105, CIP 101, BE 146 (3 credits); the non-western course required by BHC (3 credits. See Note 4); or MATH 112 (4 credits) and/or MATH 116 (3 credits) if needed as pre-requisites to MATH 118.
- Fine Arts Electives: Any BHC IAI F or HF course.
- Non-Western Studies: One non-western studies course must be selected from BHC's Humanities, Fine Arts, or Social and Behavioral Sciences general education courses. See BHC advisor for course options. (HIST 222 Comparative Religions is recommended).
- Foreign Language, SAU graduation requirement: SAU requires three years of the same foreign language in high school, or the same foreign language in college through the equivalent of the 102-level (first year, second semester). Sign language may meet this requirement. Foreign language at the 202 level or above will meet a humanities requirement at Black Hawk College.
- BIOL 100 or BIOL 101 (SAU BIOL 101) -- If a student transfers the equivalent to St. Ambrose's BIOL 230 (A&P I), BIOL 232 (A&P II), and BIOL 211 (Microbiology) with a C grade or higher and has not taken BIOL 100 or BIOL 101 then St. Ambrose will waive the basic biology course.

This guide is provided as a service to BHC students and information is subject to change. Students should work with a BHC advisor and the transfer school to keep informed of changes. This guide is not intended to be a contract with St. Ambrose University. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student.

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