



## Transfer Planning Guide

### Western Illinois University

### RN to BSN (online bachelor completion program)

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#### TRANSFER FACTS

- The RN-BSN bachelor completion program is designed for working nurses. All WIU program completion courses are presented online. NURS 405 Nursing & the Community also requires a clinical practice/project.
- To earn the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, students successfully complete 125 credit hours:
  - 31 credits General Education courses
  - 29 credits Nursing Support courses
  - 29 credits accepted in transfer from the BHC ADN program
  - 36 credits WIU BSN courses
- To be considered for acceptance to the WIU RN-BSN Completion Program students must:
  1. Complete an admissions application to WIU, and complete a separate admissions application to the Department of Nursing by the due date. The application deadline is August 1. See details about admission at [RN-BSN process](#).
  2. Have an R.N. license in good standing. Submit a current copy of the State License to practice nursing as a Registered Professional Nurse. No GPA minimum. **Admission is very competitive. Meeting or exceeding the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.**
  3. Complete **General Education and Nursing Support Courses** requirements with a 'C+' [2.33] grade or better. Direct requests for course substitutions to Theo Schultz at WIU.
  4. Submit all official transcripts with the application for admission. Failure to submit all postsecondary transcripts will result in a denial of admission.
  5. Secure letters of reference from two professional references: one academic (i.e., instructor or professor) and one clinical (i.e., supervisor).

*The WIU Nursing Department does not require any formal entrance testing at this time (i.e. TEAS, HESI).*
- After acceptance into the nursing program, each student must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for coursework in the nursing major to remain in the nursing program.

**REQUIRED COURSES** - for students wishing to earn the ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING at BHC **and** fulfill prerequisite and general education requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at WIU.

General Education Courses			
BHC Courses	credits	WIU Equivalent	credits
PHIL 103 Ethics (** PHIL 100 or other)	3	PHIL 120 Contemporary Moral Problems	3
PSYC 101 Intro to Psychology	3	PSY 100 Intro Psychology	3
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology (** SOC 264 or other)	3	SOC 100 Intro to Sociology	3
ENG 101 Composition I	3	ENG 180 College Writing I	3
ENG 102 Composition II	3	ENG 280 College Writing II	3
SPEC 101 Principles of Speech Communication	3	COMM 241 Intro Public Speaking	3
Human Well-Being Elective (see Note 1)	1 min.	Human Well-Being Elective	1
Humanities - IAI: H or HF course	3	Humanities Elective	3
Fine arts - IAI: F or HF course	3	Fine Arts Elective	3

Social Behavioral Sciences – IAI: S course	3	Social Science Elective	3
Multicultural Elective (see Note 2)	3	Multicultural Elective	3
<b>Total General Education Credits</b>	<b>31-32</b>	<b>Total General Education Credits</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Nursing Support Courses (see Note 3)</b>			
BHC Courses	Credits	WIU Equivalent	credits
MATH 108 Statistics for General Ed	3	STAT 171 Gen Elementary Statistics	3
PSYC 200 Human Growth & Development	3	FCS 121 Intro Life Span Development	3
CHEM 110 Introduction to Chemistry, or CHEM 101 General Chemistry I	4	CHEM 101 General Chemistry I	4
Take second Chemistry course at WIU	-----	CHEM xxx WIU chemistry course for nurses under development	4
BIOL 120 Nutrition	3	FCS 109 Intro to Nutrition	3
BIOL 145 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	ZOOL 330 Human A&P I	4
BIOL 146 Anatomy & Physiology II	4	ZOOL 331 Human A&P II	4
BIOL 261 Microbiology	4	MICR 200 Intro Microbiology	4
<b>Total Nursing Support Credits</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Total Nursing Support Credits</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>BHC Associate Degree Nursing Courses</b>			
NURS 112, 138, 122A, 122B, 216, 226, 230	<b>42 credits</b>	WIU Advanced Placement Credit (awarded in transfer)	<b>29 credits</b>
<b>WIU BSN Program Completion Courses</b>			
Semester 1	credits	Semester 2	credits
NURS 300 Theoretical & Conceptual Foundations of Professional Nursing	3	NURS 308 Ethical & Legal	3
NURS 302 Health Assessment	3	NURS 408 Nursing Research	3
NURS 312 Genetics in Healthcare	1	NURS Elective	3
NURS 316 Transcultural	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>
Semester 3	credits	Semester 4	credits
NURS 405 Nursing & the Community	4	NURS 409 Professional Seminar	3
NURS 461 Pathophysiology & Psychopathology	4	NURS 415 Nursing Leadership, Management, & Policy	4
		NURS Elective	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>

**NOTES:**

\*\* contact WIU to verify possible course substitutions.

- Human Well-Being Elective: HEAL 102 (2 s.h. or 3 s.h.), or HEAL 123 (3 s.h.), or PE 125 to PE 191 (credits vary). A minimum of one total credit hour is required.
- Multicultural Elective: Choose a BHC "Non-western Studies" course from ART 285 or 286; ANTH 102; ENG 217, 218, or 219; GEOG 105; HIST 222 (recommended), 141, 142, or 151; IS 220; or MUSC 158.
- Nursing Support Courses: Only one of the Nursing Support Courses may be repeated if a grade of 'C+' [2.33] or better was not achieved. A student may repeat one course one time. Admission will be denied to any student who received a second grade of less than a 'C+'.

**BHC does not award grades with pluses or minuses. Therefore, grades of 'C' or better are acceptable in place of 'C+' where noted above.**

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 Western Illinois University. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student.

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