



## **Associate's to Bachelor's (ATB) Option General Information for this Online Option**

(Option is delivered in a fully online format with no on-campus requirements)

<https://www.frostburg.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/departments-of-nursing/Dual-Enrollment-ATB-program/index.php>

### **I. General Program Information**

This dual enrollment option is available to eligible students once they are accepted to the HCC Nursing Program. Admission is competitive and based on completed courses and grade point average (GPA). Students will be enrolled as degree students at HCC and FSU and begin to take FSU online courses during the Nursing Program at HCC. Once the Associate of Science Degree (A.S.) is awarded at HCC, students must take and pass the nursing licensure exam, the NCLEX-RN, and then continue coursework at FSU to complete the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (B.S.N.).

Program length is 9 terms, including winter and summer sessions, and it takes approximately 2 ½ years complete.

HCC courses will be held at HCC's campus; FSU courses will be taken as online courses.

To assess your readiness to be an online learner, please read the FSU web pages and take the Online Readiness Survey:

Two degrees will be awarded: A.S. from HCC and B.S.N. from FSU (where a minimum of 32 credits will be required from FSU to graduate).

Advisors will be available from both HCC and FSU.

Financial aid will be arranged through Frostburg State University Office of Financial Aid.

### **II. Program Admission Requirements**

- A. Admission to the HCC Nursing Program
- B. Completion of all HCC Nursing Program prerequisite courses
- C. Selective process based on courses completed, GPA, and TEAS score
- D. GPA of 3.0 or higher in HCC required admission courses
- E. Additional required courses (completed by the start of the first nursing course) with a C or better:
  - Chemistry (CHM-101 or CHM-103)      4 credits (must include a lab)
  - Statistics (MAT-109)                      3 credits
  - Nutrition (HEA-102 or BIO-206)        3 credits

### **III. ATB Program Progression**

Students must be successful in all required courses to continue in the ATB option.

Students are expected to complete the sequence of study as outlined in the HCC - FSU ATB curriculum plan.

Students must successfully pass the NCLEX-RN to complete the remaining FSU courses.

#### IV. General Application Notes & Procedures

- Students applying to the FSU ATB Option must also apply to the HCC A.S. Degree Nursing Program.
- Admission to the FSU Option is contingent upon admission to HCC’s Nursing Program.
- All applications, fees and transcripts must be received by FSU by the deadline of May 1<sup>st</sup> for a Fall start and by November 15<sup>th</sup> for a Spring start.

1. Apply online at <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/undergraduate/apply/transfer-applicants.php>
2. **Before** submitting your application, please contact Dan Saunders, at FSU, for an application fee waiver code. Contact Dan Saunders @ [drsaunders@frostburg.edu](mailto:drsaunders@frostburg.edu).
3. Have official transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities sent to FSU Admissions.
4. Admissions will review file and send to the FSU Nursing Department.
5. HCC and FSU Nursing Departments will review for acceptance into the ATB option.
6. Student will be notified by email with admission decision.

#### V. Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees can change from one academic year to the next. For most up to date information go to: <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/tuition-and-fees/undergrad-part-time-and-summer-tuition-and-fees.php>  
Please note: FSU Nursing students only pay one of the per-credit fees (technology) listed under the aforementioned website’s “mandatory fees.”

#### VI. Non-Nursing Course Requirements

Requirements for the HCC Associate Degree RN Program			Additional Requirements for Admission to the FSU Associate to Bachelor’s Option		Additional Non-Nursing FSU Requirements to Award the Bachelor of Science in Nursing	
ENG-101	English Composition	3 cr	CHM-101 (w/ lab)*	4 cr	300 – Level English	3 cr
ENG-102	Composition & Lit.	3 cr			(Recommended :	
BIO-203	A&P I	4 cr	MAT-109 Statistics	3 cr	ENGL 308 Advanced Composition)	
BIO-204	A&P II	4 cr				
BIO-205	Microbiology	4 cr	HEA-102 Nutrition**	3 cr	MGMT 356	3 cr
MAT	Gen Ed Math*	3 cr			Leadership and Human Behavior	
PSY-101	General Psychology	3 cr	* CHM-101 (w/lab) or CHM-103			
PSY-204	Hum Growth & Dev	3 cr	(w/lab) at HCC will both satisfy		<b>Note:</b> the courses <u>above</u> will be taken	
SOC-101	Intro to Sociology	3 cr	Chemistry requirement		online <u>during</u> the ATB Nursing program	
A/H	Arts/Humanities**	3 cr			of study at <u>FSU</u> .	
*Students must take MAT-101 or higher at HCC. Students may elect to take MAT-109 Statistics (which is needed for ATB and RN-BSN programs)			** HEA-102 or BIO-206 at HCC will satisfy Nutrition requirement		<b>Note:</b> the courses <u>below</u> can be taken <u>before or during</u> the ATB Nursing Option and can be taken at HCC or FSU. It is highly recommended they be completed <u>before</u> beginning HCC Nursing Courses; check with FSU advisor to be sure HCC courses will meet FSU requirement.	
** This course, taken at HCC, may satisfy the “Fine & Performing Arts” requirement <u>or</u> the “Humanities” requirement at FSU.			<b>Note:</b> Courses in this column can all be taken at HCC.		Humanities Category* 3 cr * Check with FSU Advisor to see if previously completed coursework could satisfy this requirement.	
<b>Totals:</b> 33 credits			10 credits		6-9 credits	

#### For more information:

- For HCC related questions/course advising, contact Karen Hammond, Director - Department of Nursing, at [kshammond@hagerstowncc.edu](mailto:kshammond@hagerstowncc.edu) or 240-500-2380.
- For FSU related questions/course advising, contact Dan Saunders, ATB Coordinator, at [drsaunders@frostburg.edu](mailto:drsaunders@frostburg.edu).

# Hagerstown CC - Frostburg State University ATB Nursing Curriculum Plan\*\*

## Fall Start Plan

(Note: Student may wish to take additional HCC Core courses before beginning nursing sequence)

Term 1 Fall _____	Term 2 Winter _____	Term 3 Spring _____	Term 4 Summer _____	Term 5 Fall _____
<p><u>HCC NUR-105</u> Foundations of Nursing 9 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 403</u> Elements of the Professional Nursing Role 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU 300 – Level English*</u> 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-229</u> Nursing Care of the Acute and Chronically Ill Adult I 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-127</u> Nursing Care of Children 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 405</u> Ethics in Contemporary Nursing Practice- 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-224</u> Pharmacology for Nursing Practice 2 credits/10 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 401</u> Health Assessment 3 credits/6 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU MGMT 356</u> Leadership and Human Behavior 3 credits/6 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-126</u> Nursing Care of Women and Infants 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-226</u> Behavioral Health Nursing 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 406</u> Leadership for Nursing Quality and Safety 3 credits/15 weeks</p>
12 credits	3 credits	11 credits	8 credits	11 credits
Term 6 Winter _____	Term 7 Spring _____	Term 8 Summer _____	Term 9 Fall _____	
<p><u>FSU NURS Elective*</u> 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-228</u> Contemporary Trends in Nursing and Leadership 2 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-230</u> Nursing Care of the Acute and Chronically Ill Adult II 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-231</u> Nursing Care of the Acute and Chronically Ill Adult III 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 404</u> Nursing Informatics 3 Credits/15 weeks</p> <p><b>A.S. Degree Awarded</b></p>	<p><u>NCLEX – RN</u></p> <p><u>FSU NURS 402</u> Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits/12 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU NURS 491</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 495</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice Practicum 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 496</u> Capstone Project 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><b>B.S. Degree Awarded (upon completion of FSU 32 credit minimum requirement)</b></p>	
3 credits	13 credits	3 credits	8 credits	

\* May be completed in a different term with permission of advisors.

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## Spring Start Plan

(Note: Student may wish to take additional HCC Core courses before beginning nursing sequence)

Term 1 Spring _____	Term 2 Summer _____	Term 3 Fall _____	Term 4 Winter _____	Term 5 Spring _____
<p><u>HCC NUR-105</u> Foundations of Nursing 9 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 403</u> Elements of the Professional Nursing Role 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-224</u> Pharmacology for Nursing Practice 2 credits/10 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU 300 – Level English*</u> 3 credits/4 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU MGMT 356</u> Leadership and Human Behavior 3 credits/4 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-229</u> Nursing Care of the Acute and Chronically Ill Adult I 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-127</u> Nursing Care of Children 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 405</u> Ethics in Contemporary Nursing Practice- 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU NURS Elective*</u> 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-126</u> Nursing Care of Women and Infants 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-226</u> Behavioral Health Nursing 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 406</u> Leadership for Nursing Quality and Safety 3 credits/15 weeks</p>
12 credits	8 credits	11 credits	3 credits	11 credits
Term 6 Summer _____	Term 7 Fall _____	Term 8 Winter _____	Term 9 Spring _____	
<p><u>FSU NURS 402</u> Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits/12 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 401</u> Health Assessment 3 credits/6 weeks</p>	<p><u>HCC NUR-228</u> Contemporary Trends in Nursing and Leadership 2 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-230</u> Nursing Care of the Acute and Chronically Ill Adult II 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>HCC NUR-231</u> Nursing Care of the Acute and Chronically Ill Adult III 4 credits/7.5 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 404</u> Nursing Informatics 3 Credits/15 weeks</p> <p><b>A.S. Degree Awarded</b></p>	<p><u>NCLEX – RN</u></p>	<p><u>FSU NURS 491</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 495</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice Practicum 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 496</u> Capstone Project 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><b>B.S. Degree Awarded (upon completion of FSU 32 credit minimum requirement)</b></p>	
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