



# RN to Master of Science in Nursing with a Specialization in Nursing Education

**144  
CREDITS**

BACHELOR'S-LEVEL GENERAL EDUCATION COMPONENT	CREDIT HOURS
▶ Information Literacy <sup>①</sup>	1
▶ Written English <sup>②</sup>	6
▶ Humanities	
Humanities	9
Ethics Core <sup>③</sup>	3
▶ Social Sciences	
Social Sciences/History	9
Psychology Core Requirement	3
Sociology Core Requirement	3
▶ Natural Sciences	
Human Anatomy and Physiology Core	4
Microbiology Core	3
Sciences Supportive of Nursing Core	2
Statistics Core <sup>④</sup>	3
Natural Sciences/Mathematics	3
▶ Arts & Sciences Electives	12
<b>TOTAL CREDITS FOR GENERAL EDUCATION COMPONENT</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>PHASE I: BS/GRADUATE NURSING CORE</b>	
30 semester hours of nursing credit granted for prior learning validated by nursing education and successful completion of the NCLEX-RN®.	
NUR 448 Community Health Nursing: Caring for the Public's Health	4
NUR 456 Leadership and Management in Nursing <sup>⑤</sup>	4
NUR 501 Transformational Nursing: Innovation, Inquiry, and Scholarship	3
NUR 502 Theoretical Foundations of Nursing Practice	3
NUR 507 Advanced Physical Assessment	3
NUR 513 Research and Evidence-Based Practice <sup>④</sup>	4
NUR 533 Policy, Ethics, and Population Health	4
NUR 462 Nursing Capstone <sup>③⑥</sup>	4
<b>TOTAL PHASE I CREDITS</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS REQUIRED FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>COGNATE COURSE</b>	
Graduate Elective	3
<b>PHASE II</b>	
NUR 505 Advanced Pathophysiology	3
NUR 506 Advanced Pharmacology	3
NUR 653 Designing a Learning Environment	3
NUR 661 Program and Curriculum Development in Nursing Education	3
NUR 662 Assessment and Evaluation in Nursing Education	3
<b>PHASE III</b>	
NUR 676 The Nursing Education Capstone	6
<b>TOTAL CREDITS MASTER'S COMPONENT</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS REQUIRED</b>	<b>144</b>

① This requirement must be completed within the first 13 Excelsior College credits attempted.

② The Written English Requirement is a prerequisite to all nursing courses. The first 3.0 credits in written English must be completed within the first 9 EC credits attempted.

③ Ethics is a prerequisite for the NUR 462 Nursing Capstone course.

④ Statistics is a pre-/co-requisite for NUR 513.

⑤ Successful completion of this course yields a certificate from Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing.

⑥ Students are eligible for this requirement when they have no more than 6 credits still needed in general education, when the ethics requirement is complete, and when all nursing courses above are complete.