



# Associate in Science and Associate in Applied Science in Nursing

**67**  
CREDITS

GENERAL EDUCATION COMPONENT	CREDIT HOURS
▶ Information Literacy <sup>①</sup>	1
▶ Written English Requirement <sup>② ③</sup>	3
▶ Humanities Requirement	6
▶ Social Sciences	
Life Span Developmental Psychology Core <sup>②</sup>	3
Sociology Core <sup>②</sup>	3
▶ Natural Sciences and Mathematics	
Human Anatomy and Physiology Core <sup>②</sup>	4
Microbiology Core <sup>②</sup>	3
Mathematics <sup>②</sup>	2
▶ ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE: Arts & Sciences Electives only	6
▶ ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE: Free Electives/Arts & Sciences	6
<b>TOTAL CREDITS FOR ARTS AND SCIENCES COMPONENT</b>	<b>31</b>
NURSING COMPONENT	CREDIT HOURS
▶ PHASE I <sup>④</sup>	
Transition to the Professional Nurse Role	3
Essentials of Nursing Care: Health Safety	3
Essentials of Nursing Care: Health Differences <sup>⑤</sup>	3
Foundations in Nursing Practice	3
▶ PHASE II <sup>④</sup>	
Reproductive Health	3
Health Differences Across the Life Span 1	3
Health Differences Across the Life Span 2	3
Health Differences Across the Life Span 3	3
▶ PHASE III: FOCUSED CLINICAL COMPETENCIES ASSESSMENT <sup>®</sup>	
FCCA <sup>®</sup> : Head-to-Toe Assessment and Nursing Process <sup>⑥</sup>	2
FCCA <sup>®</sup> : Managing Multiple Patients/Working with Interdisciplinary Teams <sup>⑥</sup>	2
▶ PHASE IV	
Clinical Performance in Nursing Examination (CPNE <sup>®</sup> ) <sup>⑦</sup>	8
<b>TOTAL CREDITS FOR NURSING COMPONENT</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS REQUIRED</b>	<b>67</b>

① This requirement must be completed within the first 13 Excelsior College credits attempted, and no more than five years prior to the academic policy date.

② This requirement must be completed before registering for any nursing theory requirements. Please note that Anatomy & Physiology and Microbiology need to have been completed no more than five years prior to the academic policy date.

③ This requirement must be completed within the first 13 Excelsior College credits attempted.

④ Phase I and II requirements are offered as online courses, NTCXs, or examinations. See page 13 for details.

⑤ This requirement can be waived if you hold a valid and current U.S. LPN/LVN license and have demonstrated success on the NCLEX-PN within five years prior to academic policy date. Submit a copy of your LPN/LVN license and official transcript for evaluation by an academic advisor.

⑥ Students are eligible for this requirement when all eight of the nursing theory requirements are complete, when a current VHCE form has been submitted, and no more than 10 credits in general education are still needed.

⑦ This examination may be scheduled after the entire FCCA<sup>®</sup> requirement is successfully completed.