The School of Nursing offers a program leading to the degree Bachelor of Science in Nursing with a major in nursing, in two tracks, the Pre-RN Licensure Track and the RN to BSN Track. The curriculum prepares students for professional nursing in acute care agencies and in community health settings.

Please consult the School of Nursing website [www.pittstate.edu/nurs](http://www.pittstate.edu/nurs) and current RN to BSN program booklet for any recent changes.

**Nursing Prerequisite Requirements**

(Additional)

Nursing Prerequisites (13 hours)

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**Professional Nursing Degree Requirements**

Required Hours (62-71 hours)

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Total hours for Bachelor of Science in Nursing (124-136 hours)

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Nursing Articulation in Kansas

The Pittsburg State University Nursing Program participates in the Kansas Statewide Articulation Plan to promote educational mobility for nurses. As a participant of this program, Registered Nurses (RN's) must validate learning in order to receive credit for Bachelor of Science in Nursing courses:

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NURS 462: Nursing the Child and Family (4 hours)
NURS 470: Nursing the Psychiatric/Mental Health Client (4 hours)
NURS 525: Advanced Care of the Medical Surgical Client (6 hours)
NURS 600: Transitions in Nursing Practice (2 hours)

Validation (32 hours) is accomplished by:

1. Achieving a passing score on the National Council’s Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN), as evidenced by a current license to practice as a Registered Nurse.

2. Validation letter of a minimum of three months current nursing practice.

3. Successful completion of NURS 304 Advancing Careers: Transitioning to Baccalaureate Nursing with a “C” or above.

4. Successful completion of NURS 670 Family Health Care Nursing (capstone) with a “C” or above.

**Upper Division Courses**

NURS 304: Advancing Careers: Transitioning to Baccalaureate Nursing .............................. 3
NURS 321: Health Assessment for the Registered Nurse ................................. 4
NURS 340: Nurse’s Role in Health Promotion ........................................... 2
NURS 407: Gerontology for the Registered Nurse .................................. 2
NURS 484: Evidence-based Research for the Registered Nurse ................ 2
NURS 503: Population-based Health Care .............................................. 4
NURS 505: Leadership and Management for the Registered Nurse ................................................................. 4
NURS 665: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology for the Registered Nurse ................................................................. 3
NURS 668: Health Care Policy Today and in the Future for the Registered Nurse ......................................................... 2
NURS 670: Family Health Care Nursing ................................................. 4

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at Pittsburg State University requires a minimum of 124 hours for graduation.

Nursing Credit Hours Taken at Pittsburg State University (30 hours)

Validated Nursing Credit Hours (32 hours)

Total Credit Hours for Upper Division Nursing Major (62-68 hours)

Total Credit Hours General Education and Nursing Prerequisites (62-65 hours)
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
(46-52 hrs.)

Basic Skills
12-13 hours
COMM 207 Speech Communication ..................... 3
ENGL 101 English Composition ........................... 3
ENGL 190 Honors English Composition .................. 3
OR ENGL 299 Introduction to Research Writing ........ 3

Mathematics (Select one)
MATH 110 College Algebra with Review ................. 5
MATH 113 College Algebra .................................. 3
MATH 126 Pre-Calculus ...................................... 4
MATH 133 Quantitative Reasoning .......................... 3
MATH 143 Elementary Statistics ........................... 3

Science 8-9 hours
Natural Sciences (Select one)
BIOL 111/112 General Biology and Laboratory .......... 5
BIOL 119 Environmental Life Science .................... 4
BIOL 211 Principles of Biology I ........................... 4
Physical Sciences (Select one)
CHEM 105/106 Introductory Chemistry and Laboratory .. 4
CHEM 107/108 Chemistry for Life Sciences and Laboratory ... 4
PHYS 160/165 Physical Geology and Laboratory ........ 4
PHYS 166/167 Meteorology and Laboratory ............... 4
PHYS 171/172 Physical Science and Laboratory ........... 4
PHYS 175/176 Descriptive Astronomy and Laboratory .... 4
PHYS 375/176 Solar System Astronomy and Laboratory .... 4

Social Studies 3 hours
SOC 200 Introduction to Sociology ........................ 3
WGS 200 Introduction to Women's Studies ............... 3

Political Studies (Select one) 3 hours
POLS 101 U.S. Politics ....................................... 3
POLS 103 Comparative Political Institutions ............ 3

Producing and Consuming 5-6 hours
(Select one from two of the following three categories)
Economy
ECON 191 Issues in Today's Economy .................... 3
FCS 230 Consumer Ed. and Personal Finance .......... 3
Technology
EET 247 Computer Programming for Electronic Sys .... 3
GT 190 Introduction to Technological Systems .......... 2
GT 350 Technology and Civilization ..................... 3
EDTH 330 Technology for the Classroom ................. 3
TE 551 Integrated Technology for Educators .......... 3
TM 350 Societal Influence of Technology ............... 3
Business
ACCTG 201 Financial Accounting ........................ 3
CIS 130 Computer Information Systems ................ 3
MGMKT 101 Introduction to Business .................... 3

Fine Arts and Aesthetic Studies (Select one) 2-3 hours
ART 155 Printmaking and Paper Arts ...................... 3
ART 178 Introduction to the Visual Arts ................. 3
ART 188 The Designed World ................................ 3
ART 217 Crafts I ............................................. 3
ART 222 Jewelry Design I .................................. 3
ART 233 Drawing I .......................................... 3
ART 244 Ceramics I ......................................... 3
ART 266 Sculpture I ......................................... 3
ART 277 Painting I ........................................... 3
ART 288 Introduction to Art History I .................... 3
ART 289 Introduction to Art History II ................... 3
ART 311 Art Education .................................... 3
ART 351 Printmaking, Papermaking, Bookarts and the Letterpress ........................................... 3
COM 105 Performance Appreciation ........................ 3
COM 205 Performance Studies ............................. 3
COMM 295 Theatre History ................................ 3
ENGL 250 Introduction to Creative Writing .............. 3
HHP 151 Dance Appreciation .............................. 3
MUSIC 120 Music Appreciation ............................ 3
MUSIC 121 Introduction to Music Literature .......... 2

Cultural Studies (Select one) 3 hours
ANTH 101 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology .... 3
MLL 114 Chinese Language and Culture I* ............. 3
MLL 124 French Language and Culture I* ............... 3
MLL 154 Spanish Language and Culture I* ............. 3
MLL 184 Russian Language and Culture I* .............. 3
MLL 194 Korean Language and Culture I* ............... 3
GEOG 106 World Regional Geography .................... 3
GEOG 300 Elements of Geography ........................ 3
GEOG 304 Human Geography ................................ 3
WGS 399 Global Women's Issues .......................... 3

Health and Well Being 4-6 hours
Psychological
PSYCH 155 General Psychology .......................... 3
Physical (Select one)
FCS 203 Nutrition and Health .............................. 3
FCS 301 Nutrition ........................................... 3
HHP 150 Lifetime Fitness Concepts ........................ 1
NURS 203 Introduction to Public Health ................. 3

Human Heritage 6 hours
(Select one from two of the following three categories)
History
HIST 101 World History to 1500 ......................... 3
HIST 102 World History from 1500 ...................... 3
HIST 201 American History to 1865 ..................... 3
HIST 202 American History from 1865 ................... 3
Literature
ENGL 113 General Literature ................................ 3
ENGL 114 General Literature(General) .................. 3
ENGL 116 General Literature(Theme) ..................... 3
ENGL 120 Literature and Film ................................ 3
ENGL 315 Mythology ...................................... 3
ENGL 320 Literature and Film ................................ 3
Philosophy
PHIL 103 Introduction to Philosophy .................... 3
PHIL 105 Ethics ............................................. 3
PHIL 111 Ethics: Applied Emphasis(____) ............... 3
PHIL 112 Biomedical Ethics ................................ 3
PHIL 113 Business Ethics .................................. 3
PHIL 114 Environmental Ethics ............................ 3
PHIL 207 Critical Thinking ................................ 3
PHIL 208 Logic and Critical Thinking .................... 3
PHIL 231 World Religions .................................. 3

Notes

NOTE: The information contained herein is intended to be used for the planning of a student’s academic program and does not constitute a contract. While this guide was prepared with the latest information, courses, graduation requirements, and curricula are subject to change.

When a student attains 85 semester hours of credit (including current enrollment) the student must apply for a degree check in the Office of the Registrar (Degree Checking Section), Room 102 Russ Hall.

MINIMUM GENERAL REQUIREMENTS: The minimum requirements for graduation include 124 semester hours of which 60 hours must be from a four year university. In addition, 45 semester hours must be upper division and 30 hours in residence at PSU (including 24 of the last 30). Minimum GPA for non-education degree is 2.0 overall [2.0 in major], secondary education degree is 2.5 overall [2.75 in major], and early/late childhood unified degree is 2.80 overall [3.0 in major]. A minimum GPA of 2.0 in any minor and in residence coursework is required. General Education and all degree requirements are provided in the online catalog. Refer to individual departments for specific requirements.