

RUTGERS THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY
Camden College of Arts & Sciences
~ Department of Nursing ~
Nursing Program Information 2009-2010
for Generic, Transfer, and Second-degree Students

<http://nursing.camden.rutgers.edu>

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Nursing 705:

The nursing program at Rutgers Camden College of Arts and Sciences, is an upper-division program with all nursing courses given in the junior and senior years. The 120-credit program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (NJSBN). Acceptance to the Camden College of Arts and Sciences (CCAS) does not constitute acceptance to the nursing major. The department has a clearly defined application process that must be followed. The major program in nursing is available only to CCAS students and those who have been accepted by CCAS.

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Faculty

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Application and Admission:

The nursing major begins in September of the junior year. Application to the University and Camden College of Arts and Sciences (<http://www.admissions.rutgers.edu>) must be made before December 1st of the Sophomore year. Candidates then obtain and submit a completed departmental application found in the Department of Nursing <http://nursing.camden.rutgers.edu> website between January 4th and February 26th of the Sophomore year. The department's Scholastic Standing and Recruitment Committee is responsible for reviewing all candidates' records and transcripts and selecting students for acceptance into the nursing major.

To be admitted into the junior year, students must have completed 60 credits in pre-requisite courses. A grade of "C" or better is required for each course, and a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0. If you have taken all of your courses at Rutgers University and your cumulative GPA is 3.25 or better, without any failing grades or repeated courses, at the conclusion of the Fall 2009 semester, you will be admitted automatically to the Nursing major. Admission of all other applicants will be based on the cumulative GPA (at the conclusion of the Fall 2009 semester). Acceptance into the program is dependent upon the student's overall academic record and on the number of openings available at the time of application. All acceptances are conditional, meaning that the student must complete all course work and maintain the required GPA prior to September.

Admission to the Nursing program is based on academic achievement (i.e. grade point average). To be considered for admission to the Nursing program, the prospective student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 at the conclusion of the Fall 2009 semester. Up to forty students will be admitted to the junior nursing class, with preference given to native Rutgers Students (i.e. students who have taken all pre-requisite courses at any campus of Rutgers University). Students who have taken all of their courses at Rutgers University (any campus) and have a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or better at the conclusion of the Fall 2009 semester, without any failing grades (or repeated courses), are eligible for automatic admission to the Nursing program.

Pre-requisite Courses for the Nursing Major:

(Usually takes two years to complete.)

50:160:107, 108	General Chemistry (4, 4)
50:350:101, 102	English Composition (3, 3)
50:830:101	Intro to Psychology (3)
50:920:207	Intro to Sociology (3)
50:120:101	General Biology I (3)*
50:830:340	Abnormal Psychology (3)
50:120:253, 254	Anatomy & Physiology I, II (4, 4)
50:120:211	Microbiology (4)
50:830:226	Psychology of Childhood (3)
50:920:306	Sociology of the Family (3)
50:960:183 (or)	Elementary Applied Statistics (3)
50:830:250	Statistics for Social Sciences (3)
	Literature Elective (3)
	Humanities Electives (9)**

*General Biology I (3cr.non-lab) is a required course as of Fall 2008 for incoming freshman and new transfer students, and is strongly encouraged (though not required for all other students).

**The Humanities electives are to represent a broad range of subjects in keeping with college requirements and are to be selected in consultation with a nursing advisor. A maximum of six (6) credits from any single discipline are accepted as elective credit. Courses are selected from anthropology, economics, fine arts, foreign language, history, philosophy, political science, religion, mathematics, and computer science.

A grade of "C" or better is required in all non-nursing courses. Any course completed with less than a grade of "C" may be repeated only once to improve the grade. A grade less than "C" in the repeated course will automatically make the student ineligible for admission into, or continuance in, the nursing major.

Upon acceptance into the Nursing Major, the clinical nursing courses must be taken in the sequence listed, and minimum grades of "C+" must be attained in order to progress within the curriculum. The laboratory and clinical experiences are in a variety of health care and community agencies. Students are responsible for their own transportation.

There are scholarship opportunities for nursing students. Several area hospitals and nursing agencies provide financial assistance to students in the nursing major. Students should contact the financial aid office for scholarship information and check the bulletin board in the nursing department for posted information. Tuition fee schedules are updated annually and posted on the internet at <http://www.admissions.rutgers.edu>

Student who wish to transfer from another college into the Nursing Major must apply to the Rutgers - Camden College of Arts & Sciences and apply to the Nursing major. Please contact Admissions to apply to the college and contact the Department of Nursing to apply to the Nursing Major. Information regarding transfer of courses into Rutgers from a New Jersey community college can be found at the New Jersey Statewide Transfer Initiative program at <http://www.njtransfer.org>.

Nursing's Major Requirements (Junior and Senior Years)
for Generic and Transfer Students:

Third Year (32 credits):

50:705:350	Nursing I (6)
50:705:351	Nursing I Clinical Laboratory (4)
50:520:255	Nutrition (3)
50:120:347	Pathophysiology (3)
50:705:355	Nursing II (6)
50:705:356	Nursing II Clinical Laboratory (4)
50:705:489	Pharmacology (3 credits) Humanities Elective (3)

Fourth Year (29 credits):

50:705:470	Nursing III (6)
50:705:471	Nursing III Clinical Laboratory (4)
50:705:411	Research in Nursing (3)
50:705:475	Nursing IV (6)
50:705:476	Nursing IV Clinical Laboratory (4)
50:705:491	Issues in Nursing (3) Humanities Elective (3)

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Course Descriptions:

50:705:350 NURSING I, (6) Fall, Junior Year

Co-requisite 50:705:351

Introduces the practice of professional nursing. The philosophy and conceptual framework of the Department of Nursing are utilized in focusing on health and wellness needs of individuals and the nurse's role in promotion and conservation of health and the prevention of disease, disability, and problems in daily living.

50:705:351 NURSING I Clinical Laboratory, (4)

Co-requisite 50:705:350

A variety of laboratory settings are used to apply the theory of health promotion and conservation as well as the prevention of disease, disability, and problems in daily living.

50:705:355 NURSING II, (6) Spring, Junior year

Prerequisite 50:705:350,351: 50:120:347

Co-requisite 50:705:356: 50:705:489

Focuses on the care of clients throughout the life span who have basic alternations in health status. Stresses a multidimensional approach and encompasses the conservation of health, the prevention of illness, and the amelioration of the health status of the client. The restoration of health is a major focus.

50:705:356 NURSING II Clinical Laboratory (4)

Prerequisites 50:705:350, 351

Co-requisite 50:705:355

Several clinical settings are used for laboratory experience. The student applies classroom theory in caring for selected clients and searches the literature for latest findings that facilitate the delivery of health care.

50:705:489 PHARMACOLOGY (3) Spring, Junior year

Prerequisite 50:705:350,351

Co-requisite 50:705:355,356

Includes role of nurses in promoting responsible use of chemicals to enhance health while minimizing detrimental effects. Content covers basic concepts of pharmacology, major drug groups, and their use in practice. Nursing implications are stressed.

50:705:470 NURSING III (6) Fall, Senior year

Prerequisites 50:705:355,356: 50:705:489

Co-requisite 50:705:471

Focuses on the care of clients throughout the life span who have impairments in health status. Emphasis placed upon biological, psychological, sociocultural, and spiritual needs of the client adapting during the acute phase of illness. The concepts of conservation, prevention, restoration, and amelioration are utilized with the focus on restoration.

50:705:471 NURSING III Clinical Laboratory (4)

Prerequisites 50:705:355,356.

Co-requisite 50:705:470

Several clinical settings are used. Students are expected to reach beyond their clinical settings to the literature and to collaborate with other professionals in order to plan and implement effective care for clients.

50:705:411 RESEARCH IN NURSING (3) Fall, Senior year

Prerequisites 50:960:183 or 50:830:250

Assists the students to understand the theory and process of research designs and methods, data analysis, and utilization of research findings. Focus is on the student as a consumer of research.

50:705:475 NURSING IV (6) Spring, Senior year

Prerequisites 50:705:470,471.

Co-requisite 50:705:476

Promotes independence in the practice of nursing through conceptualization of the leadership role of the professional nurse in meeting the health care needs of various societal groups. Community aspects related to psychological, sociocultural and spiritual influence, the influence of the health system, and the roles of health providers are examined.

50:705:476 NURSING IV Clinical Laboratory (4)

Prerequisites 50:705:470,471: 50:705:411.

Co-requisite 50:705:475

Focuses on health promotion and teaching as related to individual and group interactions. A variety of clients in community settings affords an opportunity to implement the nursing process and to collaborate with colleagues in professional practice. Students are expected to be self-directed in their learning activities and to develop skills in leadership and the change process as an aid to the transition from the role of student to that of practitioner.

50:705:491 ISSUES IN NURSING (3) Spring, Senior year

Prerequisite 50:705:350

An overview of issues that face the profession, including union or professional representatives, client advocacy, continuing education, moral and ethical concerns, and accountability. As new issues arise and old issues are resolved, the course content will be altered.

50:705:480 SPECIAL TOPICS (1), (2), or (3)

Spring or Fall, junior and senior year

Focuses on selected topics; content varies by term. Topics have included history of nursing and specialized nursing practice.

*Favorable comments and/or complaints maybe reported to CCNE and/or NJSBN (addresses follow)

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2009-2010 PRE-REQUISITES & REQUIREMENTS

NAME: _____ RUID: _____ DATE: _____

	<u>Term/ School</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Course #</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u># of Credits</u>		<u>Term/ School</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Course #</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u># of Credits</u>
Pre-requisites		General Biology I**	101		3			Abnormal Psych.	340		3
		General Chemistry	107		4			General Chemistry (Organic)	108		4
		English	101		3			English Comp	102		3
		Intro. to Psychology	101		3			Intro. to Sociology	207		3
		A & P I	253		4			A & P II	254		4
		Child Psychology	226		3			Microbiology	211		4
		Sociology of Family	306		3			Statistics	960-183 or 830-250		3
		Humanities Elective*			3			Humanities Elective*			3
		Humanities Elective*			3			Literature Elective			3
	Required		Nursing I	350		6			Nursing II	355	
		Nursing I Lab	351		4			Nursing II Lab	356		4
		Nutrition <i>(pre-requisite 160:107 -108)</i>	255		3			Pharmacology <i>(008 Majors by permission of Nursing Dept. ONLY)</i>	489		3
		Pathophysiology	347		3			Humanities Elective* <i>(May be taken before acceptance into the Nursing Major.)</i>			3
		Nursing III	470		6			Nursing IV	475		6
		Nursing III Lab	471		4			Nursing IV Lab	476		4
		Nursing Research <i>(008 Majors by permission of Nursing Dept. ONLY)</i>	411		3			Issues in Nursing <i>(008 Majors by permission of Nursing Dept. ONLY)</i>	491		3
								Humanities Elective* <i>(May be taken before acceptance into the Nursing Major)</i>			3

* Humanities Electives must be approved by your Advisor. They should represent a broad spectrum of liberal arts courses chosen from the following areas: Anthropology, Art History, Economics, Foreign Language, History, Math, Music Theory, Philosophy, Political Sciences, Computer Science, Religion, (and selected "Special Topics" nursing electives). **General Biology I(3cr.non-lab) is a required course as of Fall 2008 for incoming freshman and new transfer students, and is strongly encouraged (though not required for all other students).
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