

CURRICULUM PLAN — FULL TIME

SEMESTER I – 16 WEEKS (All courses occurring concurrently)

Course Number	Course Title	Weeks	Semester Hours	Credits	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	School of Nursing Clinical Hours	Total Hours Per Week	Total Credits/ Semester Hours Per Term
N101	Professional Concepts of Nursing	16		3 <i>(3 Theory)</i>	45			28	12 nursing credits 4 semester hours-college
N102	Foundational Concepts of Nursing	16		9 <i>(4 Theory/ 5 Clinical)</i>	60		225 Clinical/Lab Hours		
	Anatomy and Physiology I*	16	4		45	45			

SEMESTER II – 16 WEEKS (All courses occurring concurrently)

Course Number	Course Title	Weeks	Semester Hours	Credits	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	School of Nursing Clinical Hours	Total Hours Per Week	Total Credits/ Semester Hours Per Term
N201	Physiological Concepts of Nursing	16		10 <i>(5 Theory/ 5 Clinical)</i>	75		225 Clinical/Lab Hours	29	10 nursing credits 8 semester hours-college
	Anatomy and Physiology II*	16	4		45	45			
	Growth and Development*	16	4		45				

SEMESTER III – 16 WEEKS (All courses occurring concurrently)

Course Number	Course Title	Weeks	Semester Hours	Credits	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	School of Nursing Clinical Hours	Total Hours Per Week	Total Credits/ Semester Hours Per Term
N301	Complex Individual and Family Nursing Concepts	16		11 <i>(6 Theory/ 5 Clinical)</i>	90		225 Clinical/Lab Hours	30	11 nursing credits 8 semester hours-college
	Microbiology*	16	4		45	45			
	College Writing*	16	4		45				

Registered Nurse Program

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SEMESTER IV – TWO CONSECUTIVE 8 WEEK SESSIONS

(Successfully completing the first 8 weeks is required to progress to the 2nd 8 weeks)

1ST 8 WEEKS

Course Number	Course Title	Weeks	Semester Hours	Credits	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	School of Nursing Clinical Hours	Total Hours Per Week	Total Credits/Semester Hours Per Term
	Biomedical Ethics*	16	4		45				
N320	Advanced Nursing Concepts	8		7.5 <i>(5 Credits Theory/ 2.5 Clinical)</i>	75		112.5 Clinical/Lab Hours	26.3 (1st 8 wks.) 32 (2nd 8 wks.)	15 nursing credits 4 semester hours-college

2ND 8 WEEKS

Course Number	Course Title	Weeks	Semester Hours	Credits	Theory Hours	Lab Hours	School of Nursing Clinical Hours	Total Hours Per Week	Total Credits/Semester Hours Per Term
N340	Transition Into Nursing Practice	8		5.5 <i>(1.5 Theory/ 4 Clinical)</i>	22.5		180 Clinical/Lab Hours		
N360	NCLEX Prep Course	8		2 <i>(2 Theory)</i>	30				

* These courses are delivered through Westminster College

** Per the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Education, a credit hour is a unit of measure, not necessarily an indicator of transferability of credit. The receiving institution decides whether to accept credits for transfer.

CREDIT CALCULATIONS

Nursing

1 Theory Credit = 15 Contact Hours

1 Clinical Credit = 45 Contact Hours

Total Weeks: 64 (4 Semesters)

Total Credits: 72 (48 Nursing/24 Support Courses)

Total Hours: 1725

• Theory: 667.5; Lab: 90; Clinical: 967.5

Westminster College Courses

Westminster utilizes a semester hour as their standard unit of credit. A 4 semester hours course delivers 45 hours of instruction/semester. All science courses include 45 hours of theory/semester and an additional 45 hours/semester for lab.

NOTE: Students requesting transfer of credit for the science courses must have the equivalent of 4 credits with one being a lab. Students requesting transfer of credit for Growth and Development, College Writing, and Biomedical Ethics must have the equivalent of 3 credits (45 contact hours) per course to be considered for transfer. Students will be awarded 3 credits/semester hours instead of credits. 72 credits are required to graduate from the program. Students awarded transfer of credit for Growth and Development, College Writing, and Biomedical Ethics may graduate from the program with a minimum of 69 credits.