

The lower division is comprised of the following courses, which are prerequisites for the upper division of the baccalaureate program. **Prerequisites must be taken at an accredited institution.**

Natural Sciences and Mathematics - 26 credit hours

Science survey courses or courses for non-science majors are not acceptable for transfer credit. Math courses must be at or above the college algebra level. Human Anatomy and Physiology courses and labs must be less than 10 years old. However, applicants who have been in continuous nursing practice may request a waiver of this requirement from the associate dean.

Requirements	Course #	Hrs
Microbiology with lab - (4 credit hours)		
Human Anatomy and Physiology I with lab - (4 credit hours)		
Human Anatomy and Physiology II with lab - (4 credit hours)		
College Algebra or higher-level math - (3 credit hours)		
Statistics - (3 credit hours) Must include an introduction to descriptive and inferential statistics, including measures of central tendency, variability, correlation, t tests, z tests, ANOVA, chi-square, hypothesis testing, p-levels and confidence intervals. **Students who lack statistics are eligible to enter the program with 60 hours of prerequisites in place of 62 and fulfill the statistic requirement during RN-BSN coursework.**		
Natural Science or Mathematics Elective - (3-4 credit hours) from the list below.		
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Suggested Courses for Natural Sciences and Mathematics Electives: Biology, Chemistry, Genetics, Environmental Science, Introduction to Computer, Nutrition* and math courses higher than College Algebra. Please note: Only eight credit hours are needed. You may take a combination of three and four-hour courses to accomplish this. Only science courses for majors are accepted.		

Psychosocial Sciences - 18 credit hours

Requirements	Course #	Hrs
General Psychology - (3 credit hours)		
Introductory Sociology - (3 credit hours)		
Human Growth and Development (HGD) through the Life Cycle - (3 credit hours): a. In a senior college, Development Psychology, to include development from infancy through old age. b. In a junior or community college, HGD, to included development from infancy through old age.		
Psychosocial Sciences Elective - (3 credit hours) from the list below.		
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Suggested Courses for Psychosocial Electives: Abnormal Psychology or other psychology courses, Anthropology, Economics, Geography, History, Nutrition*, Political Science, Social Problems or other sociology courses.		

Humanities and Fine Arts - 18 credit hours

Requirements	Course #	Hrs
English Composition I - (3 credit hours)		
English Composition II - (3 credit hours)		
Speech - (3 credit hours)		
Humanities and Fine Arts Elective - (3 credit hours) from the list below.		
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Suggested Courses for Humanities and Fine Arts Electives: Art, Drama, Foreign Language, History, Journalism, Literature, Music, Philosophy, Survey of Religion (not dogmatic religion), Theatre.		

* Nutrition can be counted as a natural science/mathematics or psychosocial elective.

Unacceptable Courses: None of the required courses listed, described or recommended above may be met by the following: courses in physical training; military science; dogmatic religion; courses in mathematics or science designed for non-science majors; course credit granted without college-level testing.

If you have questions about prerequisites, please call (601) 815-0124 or (601) 984-1080.