

UW-MILWAUKEE/UW-PARKSIDE CONSORTIAL NURSING PROGRAM

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Degree Offered:

Bachelor of Science from UW-Milwaukee.

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Department Overview

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee College of Nursing offers a bachelor of science degree (B.S.) in nursing. The undergraduate program is offered on the UW-Milwaukee campus and at the UW-Parkside campus through a consortial program, initiated in June 1979. Students accepted into the program will complete the same curricular requirements as students enrolled on the UW-Milwaukee campus and must meet the same eligibility requirements for admission to the nursing major.

The program prepares students to begin positions of responsibility and leadership in providing professional care for clients and their families in their homes and in a variety of community health-care agencies. Students gain experience through a range of diverse programs in classroom and clinical settings.

Students are admitted to UW-Parkside, complete pre-nursing and nursing courses as UW-Parkside students, and earn their degree from UW-Milwaukee. For this reason, each consortial nursing student is responsible for meeting all UW-Milwaukee requirements. All course work required to complete the undergraduate degree in nursing is offered on the UW-Parkside campus, and all clinical courses utilize health-care agencies in and around Racine, Kenosha, and Walworth counties. This UW-Parkside catalog states

policies specific to the Consortial Nursing Program. Other UW-Milwaukee regulations, including academic policies, procedures, and requirements, are printed in the current UW-Milwaukee undergraduate bulletin. This and other UW-Milwaukee publications are available in the nursing adviser's office on the UW-Parkside campus in Tallent Hall 288.

The College of Nursing also offers a number of graduate degree programs, such as the master of nursing degree (M.N.) doctor of philosophy degree (Ph.D.) and doctor of nursing practice degree (DNP). For more information about our graduate programs, please see www.nursing.uwm.edu or call UWM College of Nursing 414-229-5047. These nursing programs are fully accredited through the state of Wisconsin Board of Nursing and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

The Nursing Learning Resource Center (NLRC), Tallent Hall 181, which serves nursing students, faculty, and the community, is an integral component of the undergraduate curriculum. This college laboratory is a mediated and simulated learning environment in which students perform skills foundational to safe nursing practice in settings with clients. In addition, the NLRC houses a modern, well-equipped micro-computer laboratory.

Overview of Clinical Experiences

As part of the educational program, nursing students participate in a variety of clinical experiences. These experiences take place in hospitals and nursing homes, community health centers and clinics, medical centers and mental health units, birthing centers, hospice settings, homes and parishes. Students work with individuals and families from many cultures and across all age groups who are dealing with physical and/or mental health problems or seeking to remain healthy, including children, teens, adults and the elderly. The selection of clinical experiences is based on the objectives of courses and the learning that is expected. Upon completion of the program, students will have all experiences necessary to become licensed as a registered nurse and secure employment.

The amount of time spent in the clinical experiences varies. As part of Foundations of Clinical Practice courses in the junior year, five hours per week for nine weeks will be spent in clinical practice. The clinical experience for the Senior

Nursing Practice courses is 24 hours per week spread over three days. Clinical experiences may be on any day of the week including weekends. The experience may start as early as 6:30 a.m. and end as late as 11:00 p.m.

Admission to UW-Parkside

Students intending to pursue study in nursing are advised to complete the following units (one unit equals one year) in high school:

- 1/2 unit of speech (if available)
- 2-4 units of a foreign language (at least two years/units of the SAME foreign language)
- 3 units of college preparatory mathematics at or above algebra level
- 1/2 unit of computer science
- 1 unit of biology
- 1 unit of chemistry
- 1 unit of physics
- 1 unit of history
- 3 units of social studies
- 4 units of English

Pre-nursing students are admitted to UW-Parkside as matriculates and are classified as pre-nursing. Admission to the pre-nursing classification does not guarantee later admission to the nursing major. This subsequent admission occurs after a student has successfully completed the pre-professional requirements outlined in this catalog. Admission does not imply or guarantee that a student will be able to enter or complete the professional program within any specific time period.

Policies and Procedures of the College of Nursing

See College of Nursing Student Handbook for more information.

The policies and procedures of the College of Nursing apply to all students even though the student may be enrolled in courses in another college or school within the university. The general regulations governing UW-Milwaukee presented in this catalog apply to all consortial nursing students; therefore, these students do not need to fulfill UW-Parkside degree requirements.

Minors

Students who desire to pursue a minor at UW-Parkside are required to follow UW-Parkside requirements to complete a minor. The UW-Parkside catalog lists the minors available and their course requirements for completing the minor.

Nursing students, who complete a UW-Parkside minor, will have the minor posted on the UW-Milwaukee transcript.

UW-Milwaukee faculty and administration reserve the right to make changes in these regulations after publication; some of these changes may affect students' programs. Efforts will be made to publicize all changes, but it is the responsibility of students to ascertain the requirements of their program at all times. Admission to UW-Parkside does not imply or guarantee a student will be able to enter or complete a professional program within any specific time period.

Admission to Nursing Major

The College of Nursing requires a minimum GPA of 2.75 as calculated on the prerequisite courses completed prior to the nursing major and a minimum science GPA of 2.50. In addition, nursing faculty evaluate students on a written essay, work and volunteer experiences. Admission to the major is competitive. The minimum GPA required for admission can be significantly higher when there is a large applicant pool. Pre-nursing students who seek to enter the major and meet eligibility criteria (see below) are required to file an application with the nursing adviser in Tallent Hall 288. The College of Nursing Undergraduate Program Committee reviews the applications and makes recommendations for admission.

Application Deadline

Pre-nursing students who seek to enter the nursing major in September must submit applications by January 15 of the current academic year. Applications received after this date will be reviewed on a space-available basis.

Eligibility Criteria:

Students are required to meet the following criteria to be reviewed for selection into the nursing major:

- A. Satisfactorily complete or be enrolled in the following courses:
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| CHEM 115 | Chemical Science..... | 4 cr |
| CHEM 215 | Organic and Biochemistry | 4 cr |
| SOCA | Sociology Course (Any) | 3 cr |
| ENGL 201 | Advanced Composition | 3 cr |
| PHYS 101 | Principles of Physics..... | 4 cr |
| BIOS 105 | Human Physiology and Anatomy I..... | 4 cr |
| BIOS 106 | Human Physiology and Anatomy II | 4 cr |
| BIOS 190 | Fundamentals of Human Nutrition | 2 cr |
| BIOS 202 | General Microbiology..... | 4 cr |
| PSYC 101 | General Psychology | 3 cr |
| PSYC 210 | Introduction to Human Development .. | 3 cr |
| | Social Science Elective (see adviser for list)..... | 3 cr |
| NURS 101 | Cultural Diversity in Health Care..... | 3 cr |
| NURS 102 | Perspectives on Health Care Systems..... | 2 cr |
| NURS 300 | Introduction to Nursing Research | 2 cr |
| Total credits | | 48 |
- B. Courses may be repeated only once. No more than three required courses may be repeated. All credit for required courses must have been earned in the 10 years preceding progression into the nursing major. Grades of less than 2.0 (C) must be replaced by grades greater than 2.0 (C) no later than August for fall applicants.

- C. Achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. This GPA is computed on the courses listed above.
- Achieve a minimum science grade point average of 2.50 on a 4.0 scale. This GPA is computed within the required sciences.
- D. Achieve a minimum grade of 2.0 (C) in each of the required nursing and non-nursing courses as listed under part A.
- E. Remove all incompletes and replace with acceptable grades before beginning the nursing major.
- F. In addition to the satisfactory completion of courses listed in part A, applicants must demonstrate competency in math and English. Competencies must be fulfilled through testing or course work by the date of entry into the nursing major. Information about competency testing is available through the Consortial Nursing Office. Refer to the UW-Parkside Advising and Career Center for definition of competencies.
- G. A statement written by the applicant.
- H. Meet application deadlines.
- I. A letter of recommendation is required if an applicant has been enrolled in clinical nursing courses at another school of nursing. This reference must be from the director of that College of Nursing. The letter should reflect a positive recommendation for the student's progression into the nursing major.
- J. An interview with the student making application may be requested at the discretion of the Undergraduate Program Committee.
- K. Following a review of the student's record and the progression of the student into the nursing major, the Undergraduate Program Committee may make recommendations intended to assist the student. These recommendations will be communicated to the student.

* Enrollment in freshman-level courses is based on ACT scores and in some cases, placement testing. As a result of ACT scores or placement testing, one or more preparatory courses may be required before enrollment in higher-level courses is permitted. Credits earned at the Academic Skill course/ASCK level in preparatory courses and English 100 do not apply to the 124 credits required for graduation.

Student Responsibilities in the Nursing Major

Students are expected to provide their own transportation, uniforms, books, supplies, equipment and other learning resources such as clients for practice experience as deemed necessary to meet course objectives.

Health

Good physical and mental health is essential for study and practice in professional nursing. The faculty of the College of Nursing reserves the responsibility for retaining only those students who demonstrate qualities of physical and mental health generally considered to be imperative for professional nursing practice.

A physical examination and specified immunizations are required of all students prior to enrollment in nursing practice courses. Expenses of this examination are the student's responsibility. Evidence of a physical examination, to be completed by a nurse practitioner, university physician, or a physician of the student's choice, must be submitted to Tallent Hall 288 on a date specified by the College of Nursing. The examination must be completed within one year before the date on which the student begins clinical nursing course work. Students who do not meet these health requirements may not be able continue in the nursing major.

After an offer of admission to the nursing major is made, admission is contingent upon demonstration of satisfactory health as evidenced by physical examination and fulfillment of the health and immunization requirements by the appropriate deadline. The College of Nursing reserves the right to require a student to seek advice of health-care professionals where it is believed that a condition of health would impede his/her progress or jeopardize the health of others. The College of Nursing does not discriminate based on a disability and provides reasonable accommodation to qualified students on an individual basis.

Illness or Prolonged Absence

Students are expected to be present at all scheduled classes and clinical laboratory experiences. Since space in nursing courses is assigned during the first week of the semester, students are expected to be present for all instructional periods during that week as well. Frequent or prolonged absences from scheduled classes and/or clinical experiences may necessitate that the student drop a nursing course. Any planned interruption in course work should be discussed with the student's instructor(s), course coordinator and the nursing adviser.

CPR Certification

Students must be certified in CPR at the health professional level prior to the first day of classes for the first semester in the nursing major. Authorized programs include those offered by the American Heart Association and the Red Cross. Local community groups offer programs sponsored by these agencies. Students admitted to the major must provide clinical instructors with a copy of their CPR card at the first meeting of their clinical lab group. Evidence of continued certification in CPR will be required throughout the program.

Background Check

Admission to the nursing major is contingent upon successful completion of a criminal background check. A processing fee will be charged for the background check. Additional fees will be charged for students who have resided outside of Wisconsin in the past three years. Consult the UWM Student Affairs Office, 414-229-5047. Official documentation will be accepted for background checks done within one year prior to the start of the clinical program. This documentation must come directly from the agency that had the background check done for the student.

Should a background check reveal that a student has a history of one of the crimes that are listed as a permanent bar or bar with rehabilitation, they will be asked to make an appointment to see the associate dean to discuss the

implications of this finding on their educational plan. For other crimes, the decision about whether a student will be able to complete a clinical experience will be made by the clinical agency. More information on the Wisconsin Caregiver Background Check Law is available at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/caregiver/index.htm.

Requirements for Employment, Licensing, or Professional Organizations

Students should be aware that some professions, occupations, and employers are subject to licensing and/or bonding requirements. When a course of study includes clinical or field training, practice teaching, internships, or the like, students may be subjected to a check of criminal conviction records prior to acceptance of a student by the placement site. Students are responsible for obtaining the information necessary for them to become knowledgeable about these requirements and plan their studies accordingly.

Professional Credentials

Wisconsin state law requires nurses to be licensed to practice nursing within the state. Licensure is obtained by endorsement or by passing an examination. Students graduating from the College of Nursing are eligible to write the examination if they:

1. are at least 18 years of age,
2. are graduates of a high school or its equivalent,
3. are able to speak, read, and write English, and
4. pay the fee for licensure.

Applicants for registration/licensure in the state of Wisconsin will be asked to state if they have ever been convicted of a criminal offense, excluding minor traffic violations. When individuals have such a conviction, an explanation is requested. An investigation may follow depending upon the circumstances and all the facts related to the situation.

Safe Professional Practice in Clinical Settings

Students are expected to demonstrate patterns of professional behaviors which follow the legal and ethical codes of nursing; promote the actual or potential well-being of clients, health-care workers, and self in the biological, psychological, sociological, and cultural realms; demonstrate accountability in preparation, documentation, communication, and continuity of care; and show respect for the human rights of individuals. A student whose pattern of behavior is found to be unsafe may be terminated from a clinical practicum for reason of unsafe practice at any time during the semester. If the behavior is identified before the drop date, the student will be directed to drop. If the drop date has passed, the student will receive a grade of F for the course. In order to continue in the nursing program, a student who is terminated from a clinical practicum must appeal to the Undergraduate Program Committee for readmission to the nursing program.

Travel

Students in nursing are responsible for arranging transportation to and from all agencies or clients' homes used to provide clinical experience for the program. They are also responsible for any related liability. Students are expected to carry insurance on their vehicles.

Uniforms

Information about the uniform is shared at the nursing orientation and again in NURS 331 courses. Students purchase their uniforms after acceptance.

College of Nursing Academic Regulations

Required Grade Point Average

Every nursing student is required to maintain a minimum of a C average (cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale) on all work attempted in each semester or summer session. Failure to meet this minimum GPA will automatically result in a status of academic probation.

In addition to maintaining a cumulative GPA of 2.0, a student must earn at least a C (2.0) in each required nursing course. (In a practicum course, a student must earn at least a C in both the clinical and theoretical components in order to receive a C as the final course grade.) Any student who earns a grade below C (2.0) in a required nursing course is automatically dropped from the nursing major. Such a student must appeal to the Undergraduate Program Committee for readmission and permission to repeat the course in which a minimum grade of C was not earned.

In a nursing course with limited enrollment or a waiting list, qualified students who have not taken the course previously will have enrollment priority. Progression to the next level of courses is not permitted until all courses of the previous level have been successfully completed.

Dropping Courses

Students should refer to a current class schedule for information concerning existing UW-Parkside drop policy guidelines and any exceptions for individual courses.

A student who wishes to drop from a required or elective clinical nursing course or to withdraw from the nursing program must discuss the matter with the instructor, coordinator of the Consortial Nursing Program, and as advised, the director of the undergraduate program and the associate dean for academic affairs. In addition, the student may wish to discuss the matter with an academic adviser in the Consortial Nursing Program. Written approval to drop must be secured from the instructor and the director of the undergraduate program irrespective of the week of the semester. Any such interruption in the sequence of courses following acceptance into the major requires readmission to the nursing major. Information about the procedure for applying for re-admission is available in the Consortial Nursing Office. For additional information please refer to the College of Nursing Student Handbook which is available in the Consortial Nursing Office (Tallent Hall 288).

Grievance Procedure

The College of Nursing has a formal written grievance procedure, available in the Consortial Nursing Office (Tallent Hall 288). A grievance is defined as any situation affecting the status of a student in which the student believes his/her rights have been compromised or denied because of an erroneous or arbitrary interpretation or application of rules. Student grievances are reviewed by the College of Nursing

Undergraduate Program Committee, which recommends the disposition of the grievance to the associate dean for academic affairs. In addition, this committee reviews and acts upon all cases of academic misconduct as described in Chapter UWS 17, UW-Milwaukee Student Disciplinary Procedures.

Degree Requirements

Students must earn a minimum of 124 semester credits to complete requirements for the undergraduate UW-Milwaukee degree. A cumulative GPA of 2.0 for all credits earned for UW-Milwaukee is required for graduation. The last 30 semester credits must be completed on the UW-Parkside campus (through the Consortial Nursing Program); at least 20 of these credits must be earned in nursing. The required courses are listed below. Students who pursue nursing through the Consortial Nursing Program must follow UW-Milwaukee general education requirements for graduation. See below for *general education requirements (GER). If a student decides to change his/her major from nursing to a UW-Parkside major, the student must then follow UW-Parkside general education requirements for graduation.

UW-Milwaukee General Education Requirements for nursing students*:

Humanities

Consult nursing adviser for approved GER 6 cr

The Arts

Consult nursing adviser for approved GER arts 3 cr

History

Any course offered by History Department 3 cr

Foreign Language

Two semesters of the same language..... 0-8 cr

Electives 4 cr

* All nursing students are responsible for checking whether they meet the UW-Milwaukee general education requirements (written above).

Pre-Nursing Prerequisites (48 credits)

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| ENGL 201 | Advanced Composition | 3 cr |
| SOCA | Sociology Course (Any) | 3 cr |
| PSYC 101 | General Psychology | 3 cr |
| PSYC 210 | Introduction to Human Development .. | 3 cr |
| | Social Science Elective** | 3 cr |
| CHEM 115 | Chemical Science..... | 4 cr |
| CHEM 215 | Introductory Biochemistry..... | 4 cr |
| PHYS 101 | Principles of Physics..... | 4 cr |
| BIOS 105 | Human Physiology & Anatomy I..... | 4 cr |
| BIOS 106 | Human Physiology & Anatomy II..... | 4 cr |
| BIOS 190 | Fundamentals of Human Nutrition | 2 cr |
| BIOS 202 | General Microbiology..... | 4 cr |
| NURS 101 | Cultural Diversity in Health Care..... | 3 cr |
| NURS 102 | Perspectives on Health Care Systems..... | 2 cr |
| NURS 300 | Introduction to Nursing Research | 2 cr |

** See nursing adviser for list.

Nursing Courses in the Major (60 credits)

Students must be admitted to the nursing major or have special permission to enroll in nursing courses. See nursing adviser, Tallent Hall 288.

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| NURS 205 | Clinical Pharmacology | 3 cr |
| NURS 211 | Health Assessment | 3 cr |
| NURS 315 | Nursing Science I: Promoting & Maintaining Health..... | 2 cr |
| NURS 320 | Concepts of Illness I | 3 cr |
| NURS 321 | Concepts of Illness II | 3 cr |
| NURS 326 | Nursing Science II: Concepts of Aging and Long Term Health Care | 3 cr |
| NURS 327 | Nursing Science III: Concepts of Health Care for Women & Children | 4 cr |
| NURS 328 | Nursing Science IV: Concepts of Health Care of the Adult | 4 cr |
| NURS 331* | Foundation of Clinical Practice I | 5 cr |
| NURS 334 | Foundation of Clinical Practice II..... | 3 cr |
| NURS 403 | Practice, Research, & Leadership Role Development I | 3 cr |
| NURS 404 | Practice, Research & Leadership Role Development II | 3 cr |
| NURS 415 | Nursing Science V: Concepts of Community Health Care of Aggregates..... | 3 cr |
| NURS 440 | Nursing Specialty Course | 2 cr |
| NURS 442 | Nursing Practice I..... | 8 cr |
| NURS 443 | Nursing Practice II | 8 cr |

* Prior to enrolling in NURS 331 Foundation of Clinical Practice I, students will be expected to have some knowledge of a computer word-processing application. It is not recommended that students wait until they are in the course to learn this application due to time constraints. It will also be helpful if students become familiar with computer-assisted library research and applications of databases.

Prior to enrolling in the first clinical practice course, NURS 331 Foundation of Clinical Practice I, students must complete a level 3 CPR certification program for health professionals. Students will be required to provide their clinical instructors with a copy of their CPR card at the first meeting of their clinical lab group.

Courses in the Consortial Nursing Program (NURS)

- 101 Cultural Diversity in Health Care** 3 cr
Prereq: None. Freq: Fall.
Enables student to conceptualize cultural diversity as a basic component of American society with implications for sensitivity and respect in health promotion and human relations.
- 102 Perspectives on Health Care Systems** 2 cr
Prereq: None. Freq: Spring.
Provides students with an orientation to the complexity of health care, health-care delivery systems, and the populations served.
- 190 Special Studies in Nursing** 1-5 cr
Prereq: Consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring, Summer.
An elective nursing course in which the students establish their objectives and actively participate in the selection of their learning experiences. They may register for 1 to 5 credits under a specified instructor who will approve their course of study.

- 205 Clinical Pharmacology..... 3 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major, NURS 320 or R.N. status, or concurrent registration, consent of instructor. Freq: Spring.
 This course focuses on the principles of pharmacology and administration; legislative controls; mechanisms of drug actions; contraindications; adverse and toxic effects and lifespan considerations.
- 211 Health Assessment 3 cr**
Prereq: NURS 315, NURS 331, admission to nursing major or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall.
 This course focuses on concepts and skills to comprehensively assess the health status of individuals. History taking, physical examination techniques, developmental, and other assessments are presented.
- 290 Special Studies in Nursing1-5 cr**
Prereq: Sophomore standing, consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring, Summer.
 An elective nursing course in which the students establish their objectives and actively participate in the selection of their learning experiences. They may register for 1 to 5 credits under a specified instructor who will approve their course of study.
- 300 Introduction to Nursing Research 2 cr**
Prereq: None. Freq: Spring.
 Examination of the history, principles, purposes, methods, and strategies of the research process with particular emphasis on learning critical appraisal of current nursing research literature.
- 315 Nursing Science I: Promoting and Maintaining Health 2 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall.
 Nursing science related to health promotion, disease prevention, and maintaining health are investigated along with responses of individual and families in acute and community settings.
- 320 Concepts of Illness I 3 cr**
Prereq: BIOS 106, BIOS 202, CHEM 215, and PHYS 101, R.N. status, or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall.
 This course focuses on mechanisms, manifestations, diagnosis, and treatment of disease states for selected body systems.
- 321 Concepts of Illness II 3 cr**
Prereq: NURS 320 or consent of instructor. Freq: Spring.
 This course focuses on the mechanisms, manifestations, diagnosis and treatment of disease states for selected body systems; continuation of NURS 320.
- 326 Nursing Science II: Concepts of Aging & Long-Term Health Care..... 3 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major or consent of instructor. Freq: Fall.
 Identification and management of factors influencing and compromising health and functional ability of older adults and exploration of long-term health care in various settings.
- 327 Nursing Science III: Concepts of Health Care for Women and Children 4 cr**
Prereq: NURS 211, 320, 321, 331. Freq: Spring.
 Nursing science related to the acute, chronic, and health promotion care of women and children and their families in acute and community care settings.
- 328 Nursing Science IV: Concepts of Health Care of the Adult 4 cr**
Prereq: NURS 321, 331. Freq: Spring.
 Nursing science related to adults with acute and chronic health problems in both acute and community care settings, individual and family responses are investigated.
- 331 Foundations of Clinical Practice I 5 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major. Freq: Fall.
 Introductory course includes communication, philosophy, theory, and decision-making content, and psychomotor skills to be used as a base for planning and providing nursing care.
- 334 Foundation of Clinical Practice II 3 cr**
Prereq: NURS 205, 321, 331. Freq: Spring.
 Refine clinical decision-making skills within the nursing process, professional communication, and psychomotor skills necessary for helping clients needing nursing care.
- 390 Special Studies in Nursing1-5 cr**
Prereq: Junior standing, consent of instructor. Freq: Fall, Spring, Summer.
 An elective nursing course in which the students establish their objectives and actively participate in the selection of their learning experiences. They may register for 1 to 5 credits under a specified instructor who will approve their course of study.
- 403 Practice, Research, and Leadership Role Development I..... 3 cr**
Prereq: NURS 334, 442 Freq: Fall.
 Emphasis is on the professional nurse as a practitioner, researcher, manager, and leader. The role of the nurse in these endeavors is explored and evaluated.
- 404 Practice, Research & Leadership Role Development II..... 3 cr**
Prereq: NURS 403, 415. Freq: Spring.
 Critical issues impacting the development of current and emerging professional roles.
- 415 Nursing Science V: Concepts of Community Health Care of Aggregates..... 3 cr**
Prereq: NURS 334. Freq: Fall.
 Nursing care of individuals, families, and communities, as well as aggregates and special populations in the community. Roles of community health nurses are explored.
- 440 Nursing Specialty Course 2 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major, NURS 403, 415, 442. Freq: Spring.
 Topics of current interest in nursing specialty areas.
- 442 Nursing Practice I 8 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major, NURS 205, 321, 327, 328, 334. Freq: Fall.
 Clinical practice course for providing nursing care for adults and children experiencing acute and/or chronic health problems.
- 443 Nursing Practice II 8 cr**
Prereq: Admission to nursing major, NURS 403, 442. Freq: Spring.
 Clinical practice course for providing nursing care to individuals, families, groups, and communities.