



ADVISING WORKSHEET
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE
MAJOR IN NURSING
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STUDENTS IN THIS PROGRAM COMPLETE MUS CORE IN LIEU OF MSUB GENERAL EDUCATION
 FOR A LIST OF APPROVED MUS CORE CLASSES BY CAMPUS, YOU MAY VISIT [HTTPS://CCN.MUS.EDU/SEARCH/](https://CCN.MUS.EDU/SEARCH/)
 GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – SEE ATTACHED PAGE FOR SPECIFIC COURSES

MUS Core Category	Course #	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
Category I: Natural Sciences (with 1 lab) (7 semester credits)					
Category II: Social Sciences/History (6 semester credits)					
Category III: Mathematics (3 semester credits)					
Category IV: Communication – Written Communication and Oral Communication (6 credits)					
	NRSG 464				Taken during RN – BSN Program
Category V: Humanities/Fine Arts (6 semester credits)					
	PHL 326				Taken during RN – BSN Program
Category VI: Cultural Diversity (3 semester credits)	NRSG 361				Taken during RN – BSN Program

A minimum grade of "C-" is required in all MUS Core courses.

Note: Certain degrees may require a minimum grade of "C" in MUS Core courses.

Students should consult with their advisors to determine if specific courses are necessary in order to satisfy the MUS Core requirements within this program.

Certain courses in this program have prerequisites; students should check the course descriptions in the General Bulletin for required prerequisites.

Reviewed:

Course		Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
<i>A minimum grade of C- or better is required in all major coursework</i>					
Required Nursing Courses					
NRSG	301	Nursing in the Community	5		
NRSG	302	Nursing in the Community – Clinical	1		
NRSG	320	Nursing Informatics	3		
NRSG	322	Health Promotion and Education	3		
NRSG	325	Health Assessment	3		
NRSG	326	Complex Healthcare Needs	3		
NRSG	344	Family Nursing	3		
*NRSG	361	Global Nursing	3		
NRSG	424	Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice	3		
*NRSG	463	Leadership and Management for the RN	5		
NRSG	464	Leadership and Management for the RN – Clinical	1		

Other Required Courses

*PHL	326	Death, Dying and Medical Ethics	3		
PSYX	230	Developmental Psychology: Development Over the Lifespan	3		
*STAT	216	Introduction to Statistics	4		
*WRIT	321	Advanced Technical Writing	3		
		Other Humanities Course	3		

*May satisfy MUS Core requirements

Electives

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Categories	Credits	Earned	Remaining
MUS Core	31	_____	_____
Required Nursing Courses	*33	_____	_____
Other Required Courses	*13	_____	_____
Prior Nursing Courses and Electives	**40	_____	_____
Total	120	_____	_____

*Some courses may satisfy requirements in the MUS Core resulting in fewer credits.

It is the student's responsibility to know and meet the requirements for graduation. A minimum of 36 credits must be upper division classes (300 and above).

Montana State University Billings
RN to BSN Degree Completion Program
Fact Sheet

Program Description:

Montana State University Billings Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Completion Program advances nurses' careers by preparing nurses for a range of practice environments, for administrative duties, and for graduate education (including advanced practice nursing to provide access to care in underserved areas of Montana). All nursing courses in the program are offered in an online format.

Program Purpose:

To build upon the Registered Nurse's prior knowledge and prepare graduates to practice theory and research based nursing interventions in a complex healthcare system.

Acceptance in the BSN program is based on:

1. Admission to Montana State University Billings.
2. Submission of official transcripts from all colleges/universities for evaluation.
3. Evidence of a current unencumbered Montana license as a Registered Nurse (RN) and/or proof of scheduled NCLEX exam date.

Background Check

Students are not required to complete a background check as students are required to hold an unencumbered RN license through the state in which they live. The Program Coordinator will pull a current verification of licensure upon acceptance into the RN to BSN program. Students are not doing direct patient care, they are completing faculty-led clinical mentors activities and projects in this program.

Immunization:

If you were born after December 31, 1956, submit proof of immunization that was administered after December 31, 1967. The immunization dates must also be after your first birthday. Requirements include proof of two (2) doses of immunization against measles (Rubeola) and two (2) doses of immunization against Rubella given at least 30 days apart. Include month/day/year. Any immunizations administered after June 11, 1993, must be an MMR. A physician, health agency, or school official must sign the record. Proof of immunization will be required once the student is accepted into the Program.

Learning System Requirements

The Learning System Requirements used at Montana State University Billings is Desire to Learn.

General Information

A grade of "C" or higher is required for all nursing courses (NRSNG) AND a "C-" or higher is required for all non-nursing courses within the Degree Completion Program curriculum. If a student receives a grade lower than a "C+" in the same nursing course twice or accumulates two grades of "W", that student must wait one year before being eligible for readmission. Degree Completion students must complete the program within **three (3) years** of being admitted.

Completion of a degree in nursing is costly. In addition to tuition and fees, students should be aware that required nursing textbooks/reference materials are expensive and that courses may require several texts. Once accepted into the Degree Completion Program, students are assessed an \$800 program fee each semester. There is also a distance-learning fee of \$20 per credit per courses.

Please be aware many of the courses are only offered once a year. The student should work with his/her advisor to make certain a plan of study/advising worksheet is completed with this in mind.

All announcements for the Program and essential communications will be via e-mail (Montana State University Billings account).