



**ADVISING WORKSHEET**  
 ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE/ASSOCIATE OF ARTS  
 PROGRAM OF STUDY IN PRE-NURSING  
 GENERAL BULLETIN 2022-2023

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Students interested in applying to MSU-Bozeman’s Traditional BSN Program are advised to follow this program of study for a General AA/AS degree. By following this specific program of study, students will complete prerequisite courses needed for MSU’s Traditional BSN Program and also complete a General AA/AS degree from MSU-Billings.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – SEE ATTACHED PAGE FOR SPECIFIC COURSES**

General Education Category	Course #	Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
<b>Category I: Global Academic Skills</b> (9 credits) A. Mathematics (3 credits) B. English (3 credits) C. Communication & Information Literacy (3 credits)	*M 121	3			
	*WRIT 101	3			
	*COMX 111	3			
<b>Category II: Natural Sciences</b> (7 credits) 2 lectures (6 credits) & 1 lab (1 credit) (1 life science & 1 physical science & 1 lab)	BIOB 101 or 121	3			
	*CHMY 121	3			
	*CHMY 122	1			
<b>Category III: Social Sciences and History</b> (6 credits) Courses must be from separate prefixes A. Social Sciences (3 credits) B. History (3 credits)	*PSYX 100	3			
		3			
<b>Category IV: Cultural Diversity</b> (3 credits) A. Cultural Diversity (3 credits)		3			
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<b>Category V: Arts and Humanities</b> (6 credits) A. Arts (3 credits) B. Humanities (3 credits)		3			
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A minimum grade of “C-” is required in all General Education courses.

*Note: Certain degrees may require a minimum grade of “C” in General Education courses.*

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## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

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### CATEGORY I: GLOBAL ACADEMIC SKILLS 9 credits

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#### Subcategory A - Mathematics 3 credits

M	121	College Algebra	3
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#### Subcategory B - English 3 credits

WRIT	101	College Writing I	3
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#### Subcategory C- Communication & Information Literacy 3 credits

COMX	111	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
COMX	115	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3

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### CATEGORY II: NATURAL SCIENCES 6 cr. lecture & 1 cr. lab

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*Students are required to take one course from each subcategory and at least one corresponding lab*

#### Subcategory A – Life Sciences

BIOB	101	Discover Biology	3
BIOB	121	Fundamentals of Biology for Allied Health	3

#### Subcategory B – Physical Sciences

CHMY	121	Introduction to General Chemistry	3
CHMY	122	Introduction to General Chemistry Lab	1

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### CATEGORY III: SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HISTORY 6 credits

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*Students are required to take one course from each subcategory.*

#### Subcategory A – Social Sciences 3 credits

PSYX	100	Introduction to Psychology	3
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#### Subcategory B - History 3 credits

HSTA	101	American History I	3
HSTA	102	American History II	3
HSTR	159	World History to 1500 CE	3
HSTR	160	Modern World History	3
PSCI	230	Introduction to International Relations	3

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### CATEGORY IV: CULTURAL DIVERSITY 3 credits

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ANTY	220	Culture and Society	3
ARTH	160	Global Visual Culture	3
COMX	212	Introduction to Intercultural Communication	3
GPHY	121	Human Geography	3
HTH	270	Global Health Issues	3
LIT	230	World Literature	3
NASX	105	Introduction to Native American Studies	3
NASX	205	Native Americans in Contemporary Society	3
REHA	201	Introduction to Diversity	3
RLST	170	The Religious Quest	3
SPNS	150	The Hispanic Tradition	3
WGSS	274	Women, Culture, and Society	3

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### CATEGORY V: ARTS & HUMANITIES 6 credits

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#### Subcategory A – Fine Arts 3 credits

ARTZ	101	Art Fundamentals	3
ARTZ	105	Visual Language-Drawing	3
ARTZ	106	Visual Language-2-D Foundations	3
ARTZ	108	Visual Language-3-D Foundations	3
ARTZ	131	Ceramics for Non-majors	3
CRWR	240	Intro Creative Writing Workshop	3
FILM	160	Introduction to World Cinema	3
LIT	270	Film & Literature	3
MUSI	101	Enjoyment of Music	3
MUSI	114	Band: MSUB Symphonic	1
MUSI	131	Jazz Ensemble I: MSUB	1
MUSI	147	Choral Ensemble: University Chorus	1
PHOT	154	Exploring Digital Photography	3
THTR	101	Introduction to Theatre	3

#### Subcategory B - Humanities 3 credits

ARTH	150	Introduction to Art History	3
HONR	111	Perspectives and Understanding	3
LIT	110	Introduction to Literature	3
LIT	213	Montana Literature	3
PHL	110	Introduction to Ethics	3
PHL	111	Philosophies of Life	3
PHL	254	People and Politics	3

**Please note Pre-Nursing requires specific courses for General Education requirements, as listed above. This list does not reflect all approved General Education courses.**

Course		Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
<i>BIOH 301</i>	<i>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology I (Fall)</i>	3			
<i>BIOH 302</i>	<i>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology I Lab (Fall)</i>	1			
<i>BIOH 311</i>	<i>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology II (Spring)</i>	3			
<i>BIOH 312</i>	<i>Human Anatomy &amp; Physiology II Lab (Spring)</i>	1			
<i>BIOM 250</i>	<i>Microbiology for Health Sciences</i>	3			
<i>BIOM 251</i>	<i>Microbiology for Health Sciences Lab</i>	1			
<i>CHMY 123</i>	<i>Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry (Spring)</i>	3			
<i>NUTR 221</i>	<i>Basic Human Nutrition</i>	3			
<i>PSYX 230</i>	<i>Developmental Psychology: Development Over the Lifespan</i>	3			
<i>STAT 216</i>	<i>Introduction to Statistics</i>	4			
<i>WRIT 201</i>	<i>College Writing II</i>	3			
<b>Electives (minimum of 1-3 credits)</b>					

**Also required for MSU's Traditional BSN Program:**

NRS 116	Nursing as a Profession (MSU online / summer)	2			
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**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE/ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

**Academic Requirements:**

- Earn a minimum of 60 semester credits with a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 or better.
- Satisfy the General Education requirements of Montana State University-Billings.
- A minimum of 20 semester credits with 40 grade points must be earned at Montana State University-Billings.

Categories	Credits	Earned	Remaining
General Education Requirements	31	_____	_____
Pre-Nursing Courses	28	_____	_____
Electives (may vary)	1-3	_____	_____
Total	60-62	_____	_____

## Important notes for those planning to apply to MSU-Bozeman's BSN Program:

Montana State University-Billings offers approved prerequisite courses to pre-nursing students through an arrangement with MSU-Bozeman's College of Nursing. MSU-Billings advisors are available to students in the Pre-Nursing Program. However, students are solely responsible for meeting requirements and determining the classes that they will need for graduation and application to the MSU-Bozeman BSN Program. Pre-nursing students should contact the MSU-Bozeman academic advisors for questions specific to the BSN Program and the application process.

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MSU's Traditional BSN Program is divided into lower division and upper division coursework. Upon successful completion of the required lower division coursework, nursing students begin their upper division nursing courses and clinicals. These nursing courses can be completed at one of five BSN placement sites: Bozeman, Billings, Great Falls, Missoula or Kalispell.

Acceptance into MSU's Traditional BSN Program is competitive and based on a student's prerequisite GPA. Courses included in the prerequisite GPA are *italicized* and **bolded** above. Application for a BSN placement requires a minimum prerequisite GPA of 3.0. However, since placement is competitive, students should strive for the best grades possible.

At least 3 of the 5 required natural science courses, including BIOH 301/302, must be underway or completed with a grade of C- or better at the time of application. The remaining courses must be successfully completed before a BSN placement begins. These courses are: BIOH 301/302, BIOH 311/312, BIOM 250/251, CHMY 121/122, and CHMY 123.

**Repeat Rule:** All prerequisite courses (*italicized* and **bolded**) must be completed with a grade of C- or better. Grades below C- are not acceptable, and W's count as attempts. Applicants are limited to two prerequisite attempts. This means that a student may repeat only two prerequisite courses one time to earn a grade of C- or better, *regardless of the grade earned*. An applicant can appeal this rule if the student repeated a prerequisite course more than once or repeated more than two prerequisite courses.

**Professional Health Care Provider CPR Certification:** Verification of American Heart Association Basic Life Support CPR for infants, children, adults, and AED is required for application to MSU's Traditional BSN Program. Only the American Heart Association certification is approved. Online CPR courses are not acceptable.

**Student Urine Drug Testing:** MSU's College of Nursing requires an annual drug test for all undergraduate nursing students. The drug test must be completed at the time of application through an approved lab and annually thereafter.

**Background Check Information:** A background check is also required for application to MSU's Traditional BSN Program.

**MSU College of Nursing's Application for Placement:** Applications will be available through the College of Nursing's website at <http://www.montana.edu/nursing/undergraduate/placement.html>. Clinical compliance tracking is processed through Complio MSU Compliance. The cost is \$63.95, due at the time of application.

### Notes: