



CATALOG YEAR 2009-2010
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COLLEGE/SCHOOL/SECTION: College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Dr. F.M. Canseco School of Nursing

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Course: Add: _____ Delete: _____ Change: Number _____ Title _____
 (check all that apply) SCH _____ Description _____ Prerequisites _____

If new, provide Course Prefix, Number, Title, SCH Value, Description, prerequisite, and lecture/lab hours if applicable. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red and provide a brief justification.

Program: Add: _____ Change: _____ Attach new/changed Program of Study description and 4-year plan. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red.

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 Attach new/changed information. If in current catalog, provide change and attach page with changes in red. See below, the date of application moved forward to give faculty more time to review applications. Clarification of number of required courses and science requirements needed for entry, this is dependent on the semester of entry, school of nursing now has a summer as well as spring entry. Pharmacology course is no longer a requirement of program. Clarification of selection process.

Approvals:	Signature	Date
Chair Department Curriculum Committee		<u>06-09-06^{PS}09</u>
Chair Department		<u>6/9/09</u>
Chair College Curriculum Committee		<u>06-09-06⁰⁹09</u>
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS-BASIC NURSING STUDENTS

Students are eligible for admission to clinical nursing courses when the following requirements have been met:

1. Acceptance by Texas A&M International University.
2. Complete application and supporting documentation received by the School of Nursing by October 15-1st
3. Completion of pre-nursing courses in the Canseco School of Nursing: NURS 1302 Cultural Determinants of Health and NURS 2310 Nutrition and Diet Therapy. If nutrition is taken at another college/university it will be evaluated for course transferability.
4. Completion of at least 35 semester credit hours of core curriculum and support area courses with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) for spring entry.
5. In the event of summer entry completion of at least 47 semester credit hours of core curriculum and support area courses with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale).
6. Completion of three of the four required science courses, with a minimum grade of "C" and a grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) for Spring entry.
7. In the event of a summer entry all four required science courses, with a minimum grade of "C" and a grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) must be completed.
8. Prerequisite coursework in the sciences must have been completed within five years of the date of admission to the major. The assessment of dated credits and courses requiring updating will be made by the Admission and Progression Committee of the Canseco School of Nursing.
9. Score baseline proficiency on the Nurse Entrance Exam: Math 75%, Reading 75%, Grammar 75%. The test is administered by the School of Nursing in late October to students meeting criteria 1-8 above. If unsuccessful on the first attempt a second opportunity to demonstrate proficiency on the exam will be provided in late November to students who have completed 20 clock hours of Plato remediation in each category (Math, Reading, or Grammar) in which they were unsuccessful. A third and final opportunity to demonstrate proficiency on the exam will be provided the following October.
10. At student expense verification of drug and criminal background screening by a company or agency designated by the School of Nursing.
11. Students must have documentation of a current physical examination with no restrictions (less than 1 year old), American Heart Association Health Care Provider CPR certification, and the following immunizations: DTAP, Varicella or titer, MMR, TB skin test or chest x-ray (less than three years old), Hepatitis B vaccine or informed refusal.

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

Transfer applicants must meet the same academic criteria for admission to Clinical Studies as stipulated above for pre-clinical students. Admission is competitive and contingent on available space. Applicants must meet all admission requirements of the University, and in addition, must meet the following criteria:

1. Accepted into the school of nursing on space available basis only.
2. Have a GPA of 2.5 overall on all previous required nursing course work.
3. Have four required science courses within the last 5 years with a GPA of 2.5.
4. Pass the HESI entrance exam with a predictive score of 75% or greater on each of the required areas.
5. Have completed all previous nursing course work within the previous 3 years.

6. Meet all other university requirements for transfer and be eligible for a degree from TAMIU.
7. At student expense verification of drug and criminal background screening by a company or agency designated by the School of Nursing.
8. Students must have documentation of a current physical examination with no restrictions (less than 1 year old), American Heart Association Health Care Provider CPR certification, and the following immunizations: DTAP, Varicella or titer, MMR, TB skin test or chest x-ray (less than three years old), Hepatitis B vaccine or informed refusal..

Criteria for acceptance of transfer work is as follows:

1. Courses taken in ~~pharmacology and~~ nutrition will be evaluated for course transferability.
2. Courses in foundations and skills will be evaluated for course compatibility with the SON, credit may be given for foundations and skills if grade is C or better.
3. Introductory medical surgical/adult health nursing, pediatric nursing, mental health nursing, and maternity nursing (if previously taken) must be validated by an exit exam required by the SON for all nursing students. A predictive score of 75% or better is considered passing.

STUDENT SELECTION

~~If at any time the number of qualified applicants should exceed the faculty and facilities available, the final selection of students will be based upon the dates the applications were received and upon the dates the requirements for admission were met. Any student who meets admission requirements but is unable to enroll in a given year will be given priority for enrollment the following year.~~

If at any time the number of qualified applicants should exceed the faculty and facilities available, the Admission and Progression Committee will determine the final selection of students based upon the completion and grade point average on prerequisite core curriculum and support area courses. Any student who meets admission requirements but is unable to enroll in a given year will be given priority for enrollment the following year.