

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (ASNWI)

(Please see the *Undergraduate Program Offerings by Campus* chart in the catalog for a list of Herzing campuses offering this program.)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This associate of science in nursing degree program is approved by the Wisconsin State Board of Nursing to prepare students to take the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) and to begin a professional nursing career. Graduates will be prepared to integrate nursing knowledge, critical thinking, and advanced nursing skills in the healthcare environment when managing care for multiple clients with complex conditions. Theoretical and practical instruction is complemented with clinical experience in a variety of healthcare settings in order to provide a broad, holistic, and reality-based understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a professional nurse. Students will participate in planned clinical and laboratory experiences that will complement classroom learning and stress health promotion as well as disease processes. Graduates will be eligible to take the National Council Licensing Examination for Registered Nurses and will be prepared for entry-level positions as a registered nurse.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this program, the student should be able to:

1. Engage in holistic professional nursing practice using caring, compassionate, culturally sensitive, and evidence-based practices using the nursing process to provide patient-centered care to clients and families in a variety of healthcare settings.
2. Implement therapeutic techniques to communicate effectively with clients, families, healthcare teams, and communities.
3. Use critical thinking and sound decision making to implement and influence local, state, national, and global policies, legislation, and healthcare economics to promote quality healthcare in an evolving healthcare system.
4. Integrate knowledge, skills, and attitudes in nursing leadership and management, quality improvement, and patient safety to provide evidence-based healthcare services
5. Integrate knowledge and skills to promote health and prevent disease across the lifespan and the continuum of healthcare environments.
6. Practice professionalism, including the inherent values of altruism, autonomy, human dignity, integrity, and social justice.
7. Formulate a professional ethic that includes lifelong learning, and continuous professional development in an ever-evolving healthcare environment.
8. Think critically, both conceptually and by using mathematical analysis, write and speak effectively, use basic computer applications, and understand human behavior in the context of the greater society.

SPECIAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the “Undergraduate Nursing Admission Requirements” policy in the Admissions Information section of this catalog for nursing program admission requirements.

Advanced Standing—Students may enter this program with advanced standing if they have either: 1) successfully completed a program in practical nursing or paramedic and hold a current state license in that discipline; or 2) if they are a United States military medic (Army Health Care Specialist 68W, Army Practical Nurse Specialist 68C, Air Force Medical Technician 4N0X, or Navy Corpsmen HMM0) and meet all other admissions requirements.

POTENTIAL OCCUPATIONAL TITLES

Potential occupational titles for this program include, but are not limited to, registered nurse.

PROGRAM CONTENT

A minimum of 70.00 semester credit hours is required for graduation.

REQUIRED COURSES

All courses, 37.00 semester credit hours, are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Semester Credit Hours
NW 101	Fundamentals of Nursing	Prerequisites: SC 145 and SC 145L/Co-requisites: SC 245, and SC 245L	5.00
OR	OR		
NW 170 ▲	Transition to RN Practice	Prerequisites: MA 090, MA 107, SC 245, SC 245L	
NW 103	Health and Illness Throughout the Life Span	Prerequisite: NW 203	3.00
NW 106	Pharmacology for Nurses	Prerequisites: MA 107, SC 145, and SC 145L/ Corequisites: SC 245, SC 245L	3.00
NW 107	Clinical Practice I	Prerequisites: NW 101, NW 106/ Corequisites NW 203	4.00
NW 202	Clinical Practice II	Prerequisites: NW 107, NW 203/ Corequisite: NW 204	4.00
NW 203	Medical-Surgical Nursing I	Prerequisites: NW 101, NW 106	3.00
NW204	Medical-Surgical Nursing II	Prerequisite: NW 203	3.00
NW 211	Clinical Practice III	Prerequisite: NW 202, NW 204/ Corequisite: NW 103	4.00
NW 212	Mental Health Nursing	Prerequisites: NW 103, PS 101/ Corequisite: NW 234	2.00
NW 230	OB/Pediatrics	Prerequisite: NW 204	2.00
NW 234	Clinical IV	Prerequisites: NW 211, NW 103	4.00

▲ NW 170 is required of advanced standing students only.

GENERAL EDUCATION PREREQUISITES

The following general education courses must be completed with a grade of "C" (70%) or better for a student to be continued in this nursing program.

- ◆ Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab
- ◆ Anatomy and Physiology II with Lab
- ◆ Chemistry with Lab
- ◆ Microbiology with Lab
- ◆ Mathematics (College Algebra or Above)

All other general education courses must be passed with a grade of "D" or better to be continued in the nursing program.

A student who is dropped from the nursing program for failing to achieve the minimum grade specified in the general education courses but who otherwise meets the academic standards of the University may transfer to another Herzing degree program and/or may reapply to the nursing program in a future cycle.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Students enrolled in this associate's degree must complete a minimum of 31.00 semester credit hours in general education distributed among the following disciplines. Refer to the General Education section of the catalog for Herzing University courses that would satisfy these requirements. *

8.00 Semester Credit Hours in Anatomy and Physiology with Lab

3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Cultural Diversity

3.00 Semester Credit Hours in English Composition

3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Humanities with a Critical Thinking Focus **

1.00 Semester Credit Hours in Information Literacy

4.00 Semester Credit Hours in Mathematics (College Algebra or Above)

3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Microbiology with Lab

3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Social or Behavioral Science

3.00 Semester Credit Hours in Speech

* Transfer students may transfer courses that are within 1.00 semester credit hour of the courses listed above to meet these discipline requirements. Any resulting deficiency in the total of 31.00 semester credit hours required in general education may be made up with general education electives from any of the listed disciplines.

** At the Madison campus, students will complete SC 185 and SC 185L to fulfill this requirement.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

2.00 semester credit hours are required.

Course Number	Course Name	Prerequisites/Corequisites	Semester Credit Hours
PD 121	Professional Development I	None	1.00
PD 202	Professional Development II	None	1.00

Distribution of Contact Hours by Course					
Course or Category	Lecture	Lab	Clinical	Total Contact Hours	Credits
NW 101 OR NW 170 ▲	45.00 OR 60.00	60.00 OR 30.00		105.00 OR 90.00	5.00
NW 103	45.00			45.00	3.00
NW 106	45.00			45.00	3.00
NW 107			180.00	180.00	4.00
NW 202			180.00	180.00	4.00
NW203	45.00			45.00	3.00
NW 204	45.00			45.00	3.00
NW 211			180.00	180.00	4.00
NW 212	30.00			30.00	2.00
NW 230	30.00			30.00	2.00
NW 234			180.00	180.00	4.00
Anatomy and Physiology I with Lab	45.00	30.00		75.00	4.00
Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab	45.00	30.00		75.00	4.00
Cultural Diversity	45.00			45.00	3.00
English Composition or Literature	45.00			45.00	3.00
Chemistry with Lab	30.00	30.00		60.00	3.00
Information Literacy	15.00			15.00	1.00
Mathematics (College Algebra or Above)	60.00			60.00	4.00
Microbiology With Lab	30.00	30.00		60.00	3.00
Personal/Professional Development	30.00			30.00	2.00
Social or Behavioral Science	45.00			45.00	3.00
Speech	45.00			45.00	3.00

Distribution of Contact Hours by Course					
Course or Category	Lecture	Lab	Clinical	Total Contact Hours	Credits
Total for Non-Advanced Standing Students	720.00	180.00	720.00	1,620.00	70.00
Total for Advanced Standing Students ▲	735.00	150.00	720.00	1,605.00	70.00