



Associate's to Bachelor's (ATB) Option General Information for this Online Option

(Option is delivered in a fully online format with no on-campus requirements)

I. General Program Information

This dual enrollment option is available to eligible students once they are accepted to the Chesapeake College's Nursing Program. Admission is competitive and based on completed courses and grade point average (GPA). Students will be enrolled as degree students at Chesapeake College and FSU and begin to take FSU online courses <u>during</u> the Nursing Program at Chesapeake College. Once the Nursing Associate of Science Degree (A.S.) is awarded at Chesapeake College, students must take and pass the nursing licensure exam, the NCLEX-RN, and then continue coursework at FSU to complete the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (B.S.N.).

Program length is 9 terms, including winter and summer sessions, and it takes approximately 2 ½ years to complete.

Chesapeake courses will be held at the Chesapeake College campus; FSU courses will be taken as online courses.

Two degrees will be awarded: A.S. from Chesapeake College and B.S.N. from FSU (where a minimum of 30 credits will be required from FSU to graduate).

Advisors will be available from both Chesapeake College and FSU.

Financial aid will be arranged through Frostburg State University Office of Financial Aid.

II. Program Admission Requirements

- A. Admission to the Chesapeake College's Nursing Program
- B. Selective process based on courses completed, GPA, and TEAS score
- C. GPA of 3.0 or higher in Chesapeake required admission courses

III. ATB Program Progression

- Students must remain in Chesapeake College's Nursing Program to continue in the ATB Option.
- Students are expected to complete the sequence of study as outlined in the Chesapeake College-FSU ATB curriculum plan.
- Students must successfully pass the NCLEX-RN to complete the remaining FSU courses.

IV. General Application Procedures

Note: Students applying to the FSU ATB Option must also apply to the Chesapeake College A.S. Degree Nursing Program.

Admission to the FSU ATB Option is contingent upon admission to Chesapeake College's Nursing Program.

- 1. Apply online at https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/undergraduate/apply/transfer-applicants.php
- 2. Before applying, contact the FSU Department of Nursing, at nursing@frostburg.edu and request an application fee waiver code.
- 3. Have official transcripts from all previously attended colleges/universities sent to FSU Admissions.
- 4. Admissions will review file and send to the FSU Nursing Department.
- 5. Chesapeake and FSU Nursing Departments will review for acceptance into the ATB option.
- 6. Student will be notified by email with admission decision.

V. Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees can change from one academic year to the next. For the most up to date part time tuition information, technology and the special coursework fee please visit the following website: https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/tuition-and-fees/Undergraduate-Tuition-and-Fees.php

VI. Non-Nursing Course Requirements

Frostburg State University General Education Requirements						
FSU Requirement	FSU Course	Chesapeake Course	Notes			
Core Skill: English	ENGL 101	ENG101				
Core Skill: Advanced English	ENGL 308		Cannot be completed at Chesapeake			
Core Skill: Math	MATH 109	MAT204	Statistics is required for nursing program			
Fine & Performing Arts*	ART 100	ART101	Classes on chart are a direct match to			
_	MUSC 110	MUS101	FSU classes. Additional Fine Arts &			
	THEA 106	THE172	Humanities classes may be transferred			
Humanities **	CMST 102	COM 101	at the discretion of our Admissions			
Humanities	ENGL 150	ENG102	Department.			
Natural Science	CHEM100,150	CHM 121 = our				
	or 201	CHEM 201				
Natural Science	BIO 321	BIO211				
Social Science	PSYC 150	PSC 150				
Social Science	SOCI100	SOCI 161				
Colloquia	PSYC208	PSC 250				
Colloquia	BIOL304	BIO 202				
Identity and Difference	NURS 412 or		Fulfills nursing elective and Identity			
	SOCI 305		and Difference requirement			
Additional Courses to fulfill BSN major						
Anatomy & Physiology II	BIOL322	BIO212				
Microbiology	BIOL304	BIO202				
Nutrition	EXSS200	HTH160				
Human Growth & Dev	PSYC208	PSC250				

^{*}Fine Arts 3 credits required

VI. For More Information:

For Chesapeake College-related questions/course advising, contact Heather V. Westerfield DNP, RN, CNE, CMSRN, Director of Nursing 410-827-5935 or hwesterfield@chesapeake.edu.

For FSU-related questions/course advising, contact the FSU Department of Nursing at nursing@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4141.

^{**}Humanities 6 credits required

(**Note:** Student may wish to take additional Chesapeake College Core courses before beginning nursing sequence)

Term 1 Fall	Term 2 Winter	Term 3 Spring	Term 4 Summer	Term 5 Fall
CC NUR 114 Fundamentals of Nursing 9 credits/15 weeks	FSU 300 – Level English* 3 credits – 3 weeks	CC NUR 121 Nursing Care of Adult Clients 9 credits	FSU NURS 401 Health Assessment 3 credits – 6 weeks	CC NUR 212 Nursing Care Clients Through Life 9 credits/15 weeks
FSU NURS 403 Leadership for Professional Nursing 3 credits – 15 weeks		FSU NURS 405 Ethical and Legal Concepts for Nursing Practice 3 credits – 15 weeks	FSU NURS 411 Culture of Health 3 credits - 6 weeks	FSU NURS 402 Nursing Research and Evidence- Based Practice 3 credits – 15 weeks
12 credits	3 credits	12 credits	6 credits	12 credits
Term 6 Winter	Term 7 Spring	Term 8 Summer	Term 9 Fall	
FSU NURS Elective* 3 credits – 3 weeks	CC NUR 222 Complex Health Care Needs 9 credits/15 weeks	NCLEX – RN	FSU NURS 491 Population-Focused Nursing Practice 3 credits – 15 weeks	
	FSU NURS 404 Nursing Informatics 3 Credits – 15 weeks	FSU NURS 406 Leadership for Nursing Quality and Safety in Complex Systems	FSU NURS 495 Population-Focused Nursing Practice Practicum 3 credits – 15 weeks	
	A.S. Degree Awarded	3 credits – 12 weeks	FSU NURS 496 RN-BSN Capstone 3 credits – 15 weeks	
			B.S. Degree Awarded upon completion of FSU 30 credit minimum	
3 credits	12 credits	3 credits	requirement. 9 credits	

^{*}May be completed in a different term with permission of advisors.

^{**}Faculty at both CC and FSU reserve the right to update curriculum plans in response to criteria set forth by accreditation bodies, best practices in nursing education, and the evolving needs of the health care system.