



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 FCC Nursing Program. Admission is competitive and based on completed courses, grade point average (GPA), and TEAS scores. Students will be enrolled as degree students at FCC and FSU and begin to take FSU online courses during the Nursing Program at FCC. Once the Associate of Science Degree (A.S.) is awarded at FCC, 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.

FCC courses will be held at FCC's campus; FSU courses will be taken as online courses.

Two degrees will be awarded: A.S. from FCC 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 FCC and FSU.

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

II. Program Admission Requirements

- A. Admission to the FCC Nursing Program
- B. Selective process based on courses completed, GPA, and TEAS score
- C. GPA of 3.0 or higher in FCC required admission courses
- D. Additional required courses (completed by the start of the first nursing course) with a C or better:
 - Chemistry (CHEM 100 or CHEM 101) 4 credits (must include a lab)
 - Statistics (MATH 120 or MATH 127) 3 credits
 - Nutrition (NUTR 102 or NUTR 200) 3 credits

III. ATB Program Progression

Students must remain in FCC's Nursing Program to continue in the ATB Option.

Students are expected to complete the sequence of study as outlined in the FCC - 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 FCC A.S. Degree Nursing Program. Admission to the FSU Option is contingent upon admission to FCC's Nursing Program.

1. Apply online at <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/undergraduate/apply/transfer-applicants.php>
2. When prompted (near the end of the online application), **do not** pay the application fee. Instead, contact the FSU Department of Nursing, at nursing@frostburg.edu, to request an application fee waiver code that can be entered near the end of the online application process.
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. FCC 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 most up to date information go to: <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/tuition-and-fees/>

VI. Non-Nursing Course Requirements

Requirements for the FCC Associate Degree RN Program			Additional Requirements for Admission to the FSU Associate to Bachelor's Option		Additional Non-Nursing FSU Requirements to Award the Bachelor of Science in Nursing			
ENGL 101	English Composition	3 cr	CHEM 100 or 101	Chemistry (w/lab)	4 cr	300 – Level English	3 cr	
BSCI 201	A&P I	4 cr	MATH 120 or 127	Statistics	3 cr	(Recommended : ENGL 308 Advanced Composition)		
BSCI 202	A&P II	4 cr	NUTR 102 or 200	Nutrition	3 cr			
BSCI 223	Microbiology	4 cr				MGMT 356	3 cr	
MATH	Gen Ed Math*	3 cr				Leadership and Human Behavior		
PSYC 101	General Psychology	3 cr						
EDPS 210	Hum Growth & Dev	3 cr						
SOCY 101	Intro to Sociology	3 cr						
COMM**	Speech/Communication	3 cr						
HUMN	Humanities Elective	3 cr						
ARTT	Arts Elective	3 cr						
PHED***	Health Requirement	1 cr						
*Students must take MATH 101 or higher at FCC. MATH 120 Statistics is recommended (needed for ATB and RN-BSN programs)			Note: Courses in this column can all be taken at FCC.		Note: the courses above will be taken online during the ATB Nursing program of study at FSU.			
** To satisfy FCC's COMM requirement, students may select COMM 101 or COMM 103 or COMM 105 or COMM 107.								
***NUTR 102 is recommended								
Totals:		37 credits			10 credits			6 credits

For more information:

- For FCC-related questions/course advising, contact Vanessa Lovato, Chair - Department of Nursing, at vlovato@frederick.edu or 301-846-2607.
- For FSU-related questions/course advising, contact the FSU Department of Nursing at nursing@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4141.

Frederick Community College - Frostburg State University ATB Nursing Curriculum Plan*

Fall Start Plan

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

Term 1 Fall _____	Term 2 Winter _____	Term 3 Spring _____	Term 4 Summer _____	Term 5 Fall _____
<p><u>FCC NURS 101</u> Introduction to Clinical Nursing 6 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 105</u> Pharmacology for Nurses 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 403</u> Elements of the Professional Nursing Role 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU 300 – Level English</u> 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 211</u> Medical-Surgical Nursing I 7 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 214</u> Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 405</u> Ethics in Contemporary Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU NURS 401</u> Health Assessment 3 credits/6 weeks</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AND</u></p> <p><u>FSU MGMT 356</u> Leadership and Human Behavior 3 credits/6 weeks</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 212</u> Medical-Surgical Nursing II 4 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 218</u> Maternal Child & Family Nursing 5 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 406</u> Leadership for Nursing Quality and Safety 3 credits/15 weeks</p>
11 credits	3 credits	13 credits	6 credits	12 credits
Term 6 Winter _____	Term 7 Spring _____	Term 8 Summer _____	Term 9 Fall _____	
<p><u>FSU NURS Elective</u> 3 credits/3 weeks</p> <p>(Please consult with your FSU Nursing Advisor when choosing which course you would like to take to fulfill this requirement.)</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 231</u> Medical-Surgical Nursing III 4 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 261</u> Preparation for Practice 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 404</u> Nursing Informatics 3 Credits/15 weeks</p> <p>A.S. Degree Awarded</p>	<p><u>NCLEX – RN</u></p> <p><u>FSU NURS 402</u> Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits/12 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU NURS 491</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 495</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice Practicum 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 496</u> Capstone Project 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>B.S. Degree Awarded upon completion of FSU 32 credit minimum requirement.</p>	
3 credits	9 credits	3 credits	8 credits	

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Spring Start Plan

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

Term 1 Spring _____	Term 2 Summer _____	Term 3 Fall _____	Term 4 Winter _____	Term 5 Spring _____
<p><u>FCC NURS 101</u> Introduction to Clinical Nursing 6 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 403</u> Elements of the Professional Nursing Role 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 105</u> Pharmacology for Nurses 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU</u> 300 – Level English* 3 credits/4 wks</p> <p><u>FSU MGMT 356</u> Leadership and Human Behavior 3 credits/4 wks</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 211</u> Medical-Surgical Nursing I 7 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 214</u> Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 405</u> Ethics in Contemporary Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p><u>FSU NURS Elective</u> 3 credits/3 weeks</p> <p>(Please consult with your FSU Nursing Advisor when choosing which course you would like to take to fulfill this requirement.)</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 212</u> Medical-Surgical Nursing II 4 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 218</u> Maternal Child & Family Nursing 5 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 406</u> Leadership for Nursing Quality and Safety 3 credits/15 weeks</p>
9 credits	8 credits	13 credits	3 credits	12 credits
Term 6 Summer _____	Term 7 Fall _____	Term 8 Winter _____	Term 9 Spring _____	
<p><u>FSU NURS 402</u> Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits/12 wks</p> <p>AND</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 401</u> Health Assessment 3 credits/6 wks</p>	<p><u>FCC NURS 231</u> Medical-Surgical Nursing III 4 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FCC NURS 261</u> Preparation for Practice 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 404</u> Nursing Informatics 3 Credits/15 weeks</p> <p>A.S. Degree Awarded</p>	<p><u>NCLEX – RN</u></p>	<p><u>FSU NURS 491</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 495</u> Population-Focused Nursing Practice Practicum 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p><u>FSU NURS 496</u> Capstone Project 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>B.S. Degree Awarded upon completion of FSU 32 credit minimum requirement.</p>	
6 credits	9 credits	0 credits	8 credits	

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