

**TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING**

**RN TO BSN EDUCATIONAL MOBILITY OPTION**

Graduates of vocational, associate degree/diploma and baccalaureate nursing programs acquire a common core of knowledge, attitudes, and cognitive and psychomotor skills. However, there are distinct differences in the breath, depth, scope of preparation, and knowledge presented to students in each type of program. A basic premise of Tarleton State University's innovative multiple entry baccalaureate nursing program is career mobility for graduates of vocational, associate degree, and diploma nursing programs.

**RNs** are admitted into a set of transition courses followed by senior-level nursing courses. Graduates of associate degree or diploma nursing programs who have a current license to practice as an RN in Texas receive credit for NUR 120-Survey of Nursing Science, 201-Foundations of Nursing Practice, 205-Clinical Pharmacology & Pathophysiology, 3—Nursing Care of the Older Adult, 3--Nursing Care of Children & Adolescents, 302-Maternal-Newborn Nursing, 303-Behavioral Health Nursing, and 3—Nursing Care of the Young & Middle Adult upon successful completion of NUR 305-3 Professional Role Transitions.

The following courses must be completed with a minimum grade of “C” and a minimum grade point average of 2.75 to be considered for admission to Tarleton's nursing program.

TX.COMMON COURSE NUMBERS	TSU COURSE NUMBERS	COURSE	HOURS
MATH1314	MATH 107-3	College Algebra	3 hrs
MATH1342	*MATH	Statistics	3 hrs
CHEM 1406 or 1411	CHEM 103-4 or 105-4	Fund of Chemistry or College Chemistry	4 hrs
ENG L 1301	ENGL111-3	Intro to College Comp	3 hrs
ENGL 1302	ENGL112-3	College Comp & Research	3 hrs
2000 LEVEL ENGL	*ENGL	literature	3 hrs
BIOL 2401, 2402	BIOL219-4, 220-4	Anatomy & Physiology	8 hrs
BIOL 2421	BIOL 307-4	Microbiology	4 hrs
PSYC2301	PSY 101-3	General Psychology	3 hrs
PSYC 2314	PSY 307-3	Psy of Human Development	3 hrs
BIOL 1322	H S 210-3	Nutrition	3 hrs
GOVT 2301	*POLS 201-3	American Government	3 hrs
GOVT 2302	*POLS 202-3	Texas Government	3 hrs
HIST 1301	*HIST 201-3	Am. History to 1877	3 hrs
HIST 1302	*HIST 202-3	Am. History from 1877	3 hrs
PHED 1301 or **	*HLTH 101-3	Wellness	3 hrs
SOCI 1301	SOC 201-3	Intro to Sociology	3 hrs
***	*Visual and Performing Arts		3 hrs
SPCH 1315, 1318, 1321	*COMS 101-3, 102-3, or 301-3	Speech	3 hrs

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\*If desired, up to six semester credit hours among these courses may be completed after program admission (i.e., with the transition semester or in the summer between Senior I and II).

\*\*The Wellness requirement also may be satisfied by any combination, totaling three hours or more, from activity P ED courses, selected Military Science courses, or marching band (see catalog).

\*\*\*Visual and performing arts course must be historical, appreciative, or theoretical in nature; it may not be an applied or performance course (see catalog for specific courses that may be used to fulfill this requirement). For example, the requirement may be met by taking any one of the following TX common courses: MUSI1301, MUSI1304, MUSI1306, HUMA 1315, ARTS 1303, ARTS 1304, DRAM 1310.

**Nursing Program Admission Process** - Application to the nursing program is separate from and in addition to the application to Tarleton. To be considered for admission submit application materials to the university AND the nursing program by the application deadline (March 1 for Fall), provide evidence of current licensure to practice as a registered nurse in Texas, and meet university admission requirements. RN to BSN students are admitted to the nursing program in the Fall semester.

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**No Time Limit Specified** - No time limit is specified as to when non-nursing courses must be completed. For example, there is no five-year limit on science courses. However, students are expected to integrate and apply concepts from other disciplines with those of nursing. If it has been over five years since courses were completed, students should review content, principles, and processes presented in current course offerings. This review can be done independently by reading current textbooks and journal articles specific to the discipline. University libraries are an excellent source for textbooks and professional journals

**Campus Location** – The transition semester plus the didactic portion of all nursing courses required for the RN to BSN degree option are offered at the Stephenville campus. The didactic portion of nursing courses required for the RN to BSN degree option are also offered via videoconferencing technology to our off-campus site located on the Howard Payne University campus in Brownwood and at the Tarleton Central Texas site in Killeen.

**Full-time and Part-time Options** - The regular program sequence for RNs is three semesters. The part-time nursing course option requires five rather than three semesters to complete the nursing course sequence. Students may choose to combine the final two semesters (Senior II A & B) of the part-time option for a four-semester sequence.

<b>Full-Time Option Fall Entry</b>		<b>Part-Time Option Fall Entry</b>	
<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hrs</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Credit Hrs</b>
<b>Transition Semester - Fall</b>		<b>Transition Semester - Fall</b>	
NUR 305 Professional Role Transitions	3	NUR 305 Professional Role Transitions	3
NUR 307 Health Assess for Transition	3	NUR 307 Health Assess for Transition	<u>3</u>
NUR 301 Family Health Nursing	<u>3</u>		
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Senior I - Spring</b>		<b>Senior I A - Spring</b>	
NUR 410 Nursing Manage & Leadership	5	NUR 301 Family Health Nursing	3
NUR 315 Adv Tech & Nursing	5	NUR 315 Adv Tech & Nursing	<u>5</u>
NUR 411 Nursing Research	<u>2</u>	<b>Semester Credit Hour</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Senior I B - Fall</b>	
		NUR 410 Nursing Manage & Leadership	5
		NUR 411 Nursing Research	<u>2</u>
		<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Senior II – Fall</b>		<b>Senior II A – Spring</b>	
NUR 321 Population Health Nursing	4	NUR 321 Population Health Nursing	<u>4</u>
NUR 430 Dimensions of Rural Health Care Delivery	5	<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>4</b>
NUR 4-- Issues and Trends in Nursing	<u>3</u>	<b>Senior II B - Fall</b>	
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	NUR 430 Dimensions of Rural Health Care Delivery	5
		NUR 4-- Issues and Trends in Nursing	<u>3</u>
		<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>8</b>

**GRAND TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS FOR DEGREE = 128**

**For additional information, contact departmental office at (254) 519-5487 or via internet at <http://tarleton.edu/~nursing>**