

## DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

<http://www.uvm.edu/cnhs/nursing/>

The Department of Nursing offers an undergraduate educational program to prepare qualified individuals for the practice of professional nursing and a graduate program for advanced nursing practice. The undergraduate program leads to the Bachelor of Science degree. The baccalaureate degree program in nursing, master's degree program in nursing, Doctor of Nursing Practice program and post-graduate APRN certificate program at the University of Vermont are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccnaccreditation.org>). The Office of Professional Regulation in the Vermont Secretary of State's office governs Vermont licensure requirements.

### MAJORS

#### NURSING MAJORS

Nursing B.S.

#### GRADUATE

- Direct Entry Program in Nursing (Pre-Licensure)
- M.S. in Nursing
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (Primary Care: AGNP/FNP, Executive Nurse Leader)
- Post-Master's Doctor of Nursing Practice

See the online Graduate Catalogue for more information

#### Nursing Courses

##### **NURS 1990. Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.**

See Schedule of Course for specific title.

##### **NURS 1991. Internship. 1-3 Credits.**

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##### **NURS 2994. Teaching Assistantship. 1-3 Credits.**

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##### **NURS 2995. Undergraduate Research. 1-18 Credits.**

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##### **NURS 3000. Health and Sustainability. 3 Credits.**

Designed to introduce students to the concept of sustainability via the integration of basic environmental health science, and the associated environmental and/or health effects of today's modern day production and manufacturing techniques and practices. Prerequisites: Junior standing. Catamount Core: SU.

##### **NURS 3220. Pathophysiology. 3 Credits.**

Provides a comprehensive foundation in pathophysiology. The phenomena that result in dysfunction in human physiologic response will be examined. Credit not awarded for both NURS 3220 and GRNS 5130. Prerequisites: Minimum Junior or Graduate standing; ANPS 1190, ANPS 1200, MMG 1650. Co-requisite: PRNU 3228; Nursing students only.

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##### **NURS 3993. Independent Study. 1-18 Credits.**

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##### **NURS 3994. Teaching Assistantship. 1-3 Credits.**

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**Professional Nursing Courses****PRNU 1099. Compassionate Care for Nurses. 3 Credits.**

Examines the impact stress has on disease process, mental health, well-being and professional burnout. Students will explore the science behind evidenced-based stress management strategies and learn easily applied practices that promote provider and patient wellness. Students will leave the course with a self-care toolkit to use with themselves and their patients. Prerequisites: PRNU major.

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**PRNU 2110. Art & Science of Nursing. 3 Credits.**

Introduces foundational concepts and practices of the nursing profession. Emphasis is placed on the evolution of nursing as a profession, the variety of nursing roles, the legal and ethical aspects of practice, and the nurse's role in delivering quality care. Prerequisites: Nursing major; minimum Sophomore standing. Catamount Core: WIL2.

**PRNU 2111. Research in Nursing. 3 Credits.**

Provides an introduction to nursing research and its relationship to nursing theory and practice. Knowledge and skills essential for searching, obtaining, critiquing, and utilizing nursing research are addressed, and principles of data analysis using qualitative and quantitative approaches are explored. Prerequisites: PRNU 2110; STAT 1110 or STAT 1410. Catamount Core: QD.

**PRNU 2113. Health Assessment. 3 Credits.**

Through classroom and laboratory experiences, students learn to holistically assess and differentiate healthy from AT - risk or altered findings of clients in a variety of settings. Prerequisites: ANPS 1190, HDF 1050. Co-requisites: PRNU 2114, ANPS 1200.

**PRNU 2114. Intro to Clinical Practice. 3 Credits.**

Introduces the application of nursing knowledge to address health problems using a clinical reasoning approach. Foundational concepts and theories germane to nursing introduced to promote health and continuity of care. Emphasis placed on role development and essential nursing skills for clinical practice. Present foundational algebraic concepts that will be applied to future clinical application. Prerequisite: NFS 1043. Co-requisite: PRNU 2113. Catamount Core: MA.

**PRNU 2121. Gerontology. 0 or 3 Credits.**

Focuses on societal, cultural, political, economic, and human health implications of aging and provides a foundation for the care of older adults. Examines the nature of aging, introducing common challenges while advocating for health promotion to minimize morbidity and functional decline. Factors impacting the ability to maintain autonomy and independence are explored. Prerequisites: PRNU 2113, PRNU 2114. Pre/Co-requisites: PRNU 2113, PRNU 2114. Catamount Core: GC2.

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**PRNU 3129. Fmly Ctrd Care Women/Newborn. 0 or 4 Credits.**

Focuses on human experiences of women and families. Pregnancy, childbirth, postpartum period as well as the life cycle of the female reproductive system explored. Preconception issues including family planning and infertility are examined. Role of the nurse in providing holistic care provided in class and clinical settings. Prerequisites: PRNU 2113, PRNU 2114. Co-requisites: NURS 3220, PRNU 3228.

**PRNU 3131. Health Alterations. 3 Credits.**

Focuses on the human experience of alterations in health for individuals and their families. Content addresses the individual and family response to disease processes from a holistic perspective by exploring how the social determinants of health impact the human experience of alterations in health and contribute to health inequities. Prerequisites: NURS 3220, PRNU 3228. Catamount Core: D2.

**PRNU 3134. Adult Health Nursing 1. 6 Credits.**

Focuses on the professional nurse's role in the delivery of holistic, family centered care to adults experiencing alterations in health. Common client responses and essential nursing interventions are examined. Evidence-based practice and research are used to guide nursing practice and promote restoration of health. Prerequisites: PRNU 3228, NURS 3220. Co-requisites: PRNU 3131.

**PRNU 3228. Pharmacology. 3 Credits.**

Examination and application of knowledge of pharmacotherapeutic principles to nursing practice. Credit not awarded for both PRNU 3228 and GRNS 5280. Prerequisites: Minimum Junior standing; MMG 1650, ANPS 1190, ANPS 1200. Co-requisite: NURS 3220. Pre/Co-requisite: PRNU 2114.

**PRNU 3231. Chronic & Palliative Care Nurs. 3 Credits.**

Nursing care of clients experiencing complex alterations in health related to the human experience of chronic illness and end of life issues. Prerequisite: PRNU 3131. Catamount Core: AH3.

**PRNU 3232. Child & Adolescent Nursing. 0-5 Credits.**

Through classroom and practicum, covers essential nursing interventions for children/adolescents/ families experiencing health alterations. Credit not awarded for both PRNU 3232 and GRNS 5320. Prerequisites: PRNU 3228, NURS 3220. Pre/Co-requisites: PRNU 3131.

**PRNU 3234. Adlt Hlth Nurs II: Thy & Ptm. 0 or 6 Credits.**

Through classroom and practicum experiences covers essential nursing interventions for adults/elders/ families experiencing complex health alterations. Prerequisite: PRNU 3131, PRNU 3134.

**PRNU 3235. Psych/MH Nurs: Thy & Ptm. 0 or 5 Credits.**

Through classroom and practicum experience covers essential nursing interventions for clients with acute and chronic psychiatric disorders. Prerequisite: PSYS 2500, PRNU 3228, NURS 3220. Pre/Co-requisite: PRNU 3131.

**PRNU 3240. Iss & Ldrs Prf Nurs Thr & Ptm. 6 Credits.**

Focuses on issues in health care as they relate to the leadership and management roles of the professional nurse. Practicum focuses on caring for clients in an identified clinical specialty. Prerequisite: PRNU 3234. Catamount Core: D1.

**PRNU 3243. Transition to Prof Practice. 1 Credit.**

This seminar is designed to provide practical guidance and strategies for success in the transition from the student role to the professional nursing role. Pre/Co-requisites: PRNU 3234.

**PRNU 3245. Public Health Nursing. 3 Credits.**

Focuses on populations at risk and community partnerships. Various issues, models, and concepts that impact the health of populations will be explored. The role of the nurse in community and public health will be emphasized. Prerequisite: PRNU 3131.

**PRNU 3246. Practicum Pub Health Nursing. 3 Credits.**

Students will be engaged in a community-based project with a community partner (collaboration, coalition, network, and agency) and will work in collaboration with professionals in a variety of settings. Prerequisites: PRNU 3245.

**PRNU 3248. Applied Patho-pharmacology. 2 Credits.**

Integration and application of principles and knowledge gained through the study of pathophysiology and pharmacology. A holistic and lifespan approach will be used in examining the nursing care of clients within all nursing specialties. Prerequisite: PRNU 3228. Co-requisite: PRNU 3243.

**PRNU 3249. Nsg Care of Crit Ill Adults. 2 Credits.**

Focuses on the role of the professional nurse in the delivery of holistic nursing care for adults in the critical care setting. A variety of critical care concepts are explored and interprofessional practice is highlighted. Prerequisites: PRNU 3232, PRNU 3234, PRNU 3235; Instructor permission. Co-requisites: PRNU 3231, PRNU 3240.

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