



**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
UNIVERSITY**

RANKIN SCHOOL OF NURSING

Overview of Semesters with Alignment of Course Concentrations & Curricular Themes

Semesters 1-2 (Prerequisites for Entry to Semester 3)					
SEMESTER 1 (15 CR)			SEMESTER 2 (15 CR)		
*ENGL 111 (3 CR)			PHIL 135 OR RELS 217/NURS 117 (3 CR)		
CHEM 151 (3 CR)			HNU 135 (3 CR)		
*BIOL 251 (3 CR)			*BIOL 252 (3 CR)		
PSYC 155 (3 CR)			*BIOL 115 (3 CR)		
*STATS 201 (3 CR)			HUMANITIES/SOCIAL SCIENCES ELECTIVE (3 CR)		
Pathway	SEMESTER 4	SEMESTER 5	SEMESTER 6	SEMESTER 7	SEMESTER 8
<i>Note: Courses within each 15-credit semester are divided among four-broad concentrated areas of study: The Discipline & Professional Practice, The Art & Science of Health & Nursing, Supporting Health, Integrating Nursing Roles & Practice</i>					
The Discipline & Professional Practice: These courses focus on the standards, ethics, jurisprudence/legalities; evidence-informed practice; and collaboration. Three curricular themes are introduced and then gradually integrated into areas of increasingly complex nursing practice situations: Professional & Ethical Nursing Practice, Nursing Scholarship, Leadership					
	NURS 231 Fundamentals of Research and Collective Collaborative Practice (3 Cr)	NURS 306 Advanced Nursing Leadership, Management and Evidence-Informed Practice (3 Cr)	*Nursing Elective or Non-Nursing Course (3 Cr)	NURS 406 Preparing for Professional Role Transition (3 Cr)	
The Art and Science of Health and Nursing: These courses focus on broad cognitive, relational and psychomotor skills necessary to provide care to people along the health-illness continuum. Two curricular themes and related concepts are integrated and applied into nursing practice situations of increasing complexity from Semester 3-Semester 8: Relational Practice, Health-Illness Continuum					
	NURS 232 Alterations in Health and Nursing Therapeutics I Clinical Application: Lab. Simulation (3 Cr)	NURS 307 Alterations in Health and Nursing Therapeutics II Clinical Application: Lab Simulation (3 Cr)	NURS 332 Advanced Therapeutics for Care of Persons Experiencing Complex Multi-System Health Challenges Clinical Application: Lab. Simulation (3 Cr)	*Nursing Elective or Non-Nursing Course (3 Cr)	
Supporting Health These courses focus on theory and their application related to population health, health promotion and primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention as well as to people experiencing diverse degrees of health and wellness; acute, episodic, and life threatening challenges; and co-morbidities in diverse settings. Two curricular themes and related concepts are integrated and applied in nursing practice situations of increasing complexity from Semester 3 – Semester 8. Theory for Practice, Health & Health Equity					
	NURS 233 Care of Families in Transition: Childbearing and Childrearing Years (6 Cr)	NURS 308 Care of Persons Experiencing Acute, Episodic and Life Threatening Mental and Physical Illness Across the Life Span (6 Cr)	NURS 333 Care of Persons Experiencing Acute, Episodic and Life Threatening Illness Across the Life Span Physical Health II (6 Cr)	NURS 408 Advanced Population & Public Health (3 Cr)	
Integrating Nursing Roles & Practice: These courses focus on the application of cognitive, psychomotor, and affective skills gained from content within the other course concentrations and requires the integration of all curricular themes and related concepts. Application occurs through simulated and practice setting experiences.					
	NURS 234 Integrating Nursing Roles & Practices II: Care of Childbearing & Childrearing Families Clinical Application: Simulation Practice Setting (3 Cr)	NURS 309 Integrating Nursing Roles & Practices III: Care of Persons Experiencing Acute, Episodic, and Life Threatening Physical and Mental Health Challenges Clinical Application: Simulation Practice Setting (3 Cr)	NURS 334 Integrating Nursing Roles & Practices IV: Care of Persons Experiencing Complex Co-Morbidities and Chronic Health Challenges Clinical Application: Simulation Practice Setting (3 Cr)	NURS 409 Integrating Nursing Roles & Practices V: Exploratory Nursing Practice Clinical Application: Practice setting (6 Cr)	NURS 440 Transition to Nursing Practice: Consolidation Practice setting Clinical Application: Practice setting (15 Cr)