

**PENN STATE At FAYETTE, The EBERLY CAMPUS  
ASSOCIATE In SCIENCE Degree In NURSING  
APPLICATION PROCESS  
FALL 2010 POOL GROUP CONSIDERATION**

Penn State Fayette has fifty spaces available for each fall's entering Associate in Science degree in Nursing (2NURS) class. These spaces are allocated to the candidates in a pool group who demonstrate the strongest academic records. The pool group is comprised of freshman, provisional-to-degree (Fall Semester Only), advanced standing (transfer) applicants, current Penn State students who submit a change of major form, and former Penn State students requesting re-enrollment.

**There is no minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) that guarantees admission into 2NURS.** Each candidate competes for a 2NURS space against all other candidates in the same pool group. The fifty candidates with the strongest academic records are admitted into 2NURS. Successful candidates change from year to year depending on the number of candidates from each type of applicant group. The minimum cumulative grade point average of successful candidates will also change from year to year depending on the strength of the pool of candidates' academic records.

**All candidates for the 2NURS Major must have successfully completed high school algebra, biology with a lab, and chemistry with a lab or equivalent college level courses. Documentation of appropriate post-secondary substitutions (i.e., official transcript/s) must be received by Fayette's Nursing department prior to the official review of the next fall's pool group.**

#### **2NURS CONSIDERATION**

Candidates who submit complete appropriate credentials *no later than November 30* will receive consideration for the next fall's 2NURS class. Additional course requirements for non-freshman applicants are noted below. Individuals who submit complete appropriate credentials after November 30 will be considered on a space-available basis.

Candidates who meet the November 30 deadline but are not selected in the first review may be moved to a second review, if necessary. Applicants, who submitted complete credentials after November 30, will be ranked by cumulative grade point average for consideration on a space available basis. **Note: There is no guarantee of a second review.**

#### **APPROPRIATE CODES**

All candidates must use the following codes when completing the freshman, provisional-to-degree, or advanced standing (transfer) admission application for 2NURS, or the Change of Major and Re-enrollment form for 2NURS:

- **College:** NR (Nursing)
- **Major:** 2NURS (Associate in Science degree in Nursing)
- **Campus:** FE (Fayette Campus is providing the required coursework.)

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## APPLYING FOR ENTRANCE INTO 2NURS for Fall 2010

\_\_\_\_\_ For *freshman applicants* appropriate credentials include the admissions application and a \$50.00 application fee, an official high school transcript, and electronically-reported SAT or ACT scores. Freshmen applicants are those who never attended college or have attempted less than 18 college credits. The web-based application at [www.psu.edu/admissions](http://www.psu.edu/admissions) is preferred but the paper application is considered on an equal basis. Submit documents to the Undergraduate Admissions Office at the University Park campus or submit documents directly to Fayette Campus Admissions Office, Route 119N, PO Box 519, Uniontown, PA 15401. Questions should be directed to the Penn State Fayette Admissions Office at 724-430-4130 or toll free at 877-568-4130.

\_\_\_\_\_ For *transfer (advanced standing) applicants* appropriate credentials include the admissions application and a \$50.00 application fee, and official transcripts from high school and **all** post-secondary schools attended. Advanced standing applicants are those who attempted 18 or more college credits. Advanced standing applicants are expected to apply for admission using the web-based application at [www.psu.edu/admissions](http://www.psu.edu/admissions). Advanced standing applicants should forward official high school and **all** post-secondary transcripts together in their original, sealed envelopes unless the institution(s) will not send the official transcript(s) to you. All documents are submitted to the Undergraduate Admissions Office at the University Park campus. **Do not send the documents to Penn State Fayette.** Questions should be directed to the Penn State Fayette Admissions Office at 724-430-4130 or call Fayette Admissions toll free at 877-568-4130. **Note: For Questions regarding transfer courses refer to website: [www.psu.edu/admissions](http://www.psu.edu/admissions) and click on “Evaluate Transfer Courses.”**

In addition to a cumulative grade point average (GPA), an Advanced Standing (transfer) applicant must have completed the equivalent of all the following as *transferable* college coursework for preferred 2NURS consideration:

1. BIOL 129 Mammalian Anatomy (4 cr) **or** BIOL 141 Physiology (3 cr) *and preferably* BIOL 142 Physiology Lab **or** MICRB 106 Elementary Microbiology (3 cr) *and preferably* MICRB 107 Elementary Microbiology Laboratory (1 cr) with a C or better grade.
2. HDFS 129 Introduction to Human Development and Family Studies (3 cr) **or** PSYCH 100 Psychology (3 cr) **or** Psychology 212 **or** SOC 001 Introduction to Sociology (3 cr) **or** SOC 005 Social Problems with a C or better grade.
3. At least 6 additional credits.

Advanced Standing applicants who do not meet the course requirements noted above can complete these courses at Penn State or another college/university.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Current Penn State students in degree status (2LACC or FSCC, for example,)* must obtain and submit a **Change of Major** form available in the Registrar’s Office at the Penn State campus where they are enrolled or on-line at [www.registrar.psu.edu](http://www.registrar.psu.edu) after June 1. The completed form must be signed by the Campus Coordinator for Nursing, Room 214 Bio Med Building, Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus. The nursing department will secure your Penn State transcript with fall courses recorded.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Current Penn State provisional students* must use the web-based admissions application at [www.psu.edu/admissions](http://www.psu.edu/admissions). The high school transcript should already be on file as part of the original provisional application. Penn State Fayette’s nursing department will secure your Penn State transcript with the fall courses recorded. Please contact the Penn State Fayette Admissions Office, at 724-430-4130 or 877-568-4130 for specific information that must be entered in the provisional to degree application.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Former Penn State students** who were in degree status and who believe their cumulative GPA from previous enrollment is competitive for 2NURS consideration must complete a **Request for Re-enrollment** form available through the Registrar's Office of any Penn State campus or on-line at [www.registrar.psu.edu](http://www.registrar.psu.edu) after June 1. There is a \$20 non-refundable fee to be turned in with the form. Re-enrollment requests will be considered for former Penn State students previously enrolled in any major. The completed form must be returned to the Registrar's Office, Penn State Fayette, the Eberly Campus, Route 119, PO Box 519, Uniontown, PA 15401. **Do not return the completed re-enrollment form to the Registrar's Office at any other Penn State campus!** Your Penn State transcript will be secured by Penn State Fayette's nursing department.

In addition to the cumulative grade point average, a former Penn State student requesting re-enrollment directly into the 2NURS major must have completed all of the following, or equivalent *transferable* college coursework, for preferred 2NURS consideration:

1. BIOL 129 Mammalian Anatomy (4 cr) **or** BIOL 141 Physiology (3 cr) *and preferably* BIOL 142 Physiology Lab **or** MICRB 106 Elementary Microbiology (3 cr) *and preferably* MICRB 107 Elementary Microbiology Laboratory (1 cr) with a C or better grade.
2. HDFS 129 Introduction to Human Development and Family Studies (3 cr) **or** PSYCH 100 Psychology (3 cr) **or** Psychology 212 **or** SOC 001 Introduction to Sociology (3 cr) **or** SOC 005 Social Problems with a C or better grade.
3. At least 6 additional credits.

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## **CANDIDATE SELECTION**

Complete appropriate credentials submitted **no later than November 30** are reviewed in January to select the successful 2NURS candidates for the fall 2NURS class.

The School of Nursing at University Park notifies candidates of the review committee's decisions in March.

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## **FUTURE POOL GROUP CONSIDERATION - APPLIED TO BUT NOT SELECTED FOR THE 2NURS MAJOR**

Individuals who applied for, but were not admitted into Penn State Fayette's Associate in Nursing major may have an interest in becoming a candidate in a future 2NURS pool group.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Freshman applicants** who were not offered 2NURS admission can elect to enroll in the Associate in Science in Letters, Arts, and Sciences (2LACC – see APPROPRIATE "OTHER" MAJORS) to complete courses applicable to the 2NURS major and establish a Penn State grade point average for consideration as a Change of Major. After enrolling in 2LACC, these students will follow the Change of Major procedure noted above including the minimum completed courses identified.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Advanced standing (transfer) applicants** who were not offered 2NURS admission because their cumulative grade point average was not competitive with their pool group can choose to re-apply for future consideration in two different ways. First, as an advanced standing applicant for the next fall's pool group without completing additional courses, using the same established cumulative grade point average to represent one's candidacy again. Secondly, an advanced standing applicant may choose to immediately enroll in a different Penn State major to become a Change of Major candidate in a future fall pool group following the Change of Major procedure noted above.

\_\_\_\_\_ Candidates who submitted a *Change of Major, Request for Re-enrollment or Provisional to Degree application* should follow the same procedure for future pool groups. If continuing to enroll at Penn State, please see APPROPRIATE OTHER MAJORS section.

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**RE-ENROLLMENT INTO A MAJOR OTHER THAN 2NURS FOR FUTURE 2NURS CONSIDERATION:**

***Former Penn State degree students*** may be interested in re-enrolling now to complete additional courses over one or more years before requesting a Change of Major into 2NURS.

A re-enrollment applicant into another major who is missing one or more of the required science courses must complete at least one of the missing science courses upon re-enrollment for preferred consideration. If all three science courses were completed during previous enrollment, the student must complete additional coursework to establish a competitive grade point average for the pool group with whom they will be competing for a space.

An applicant with re-enrollment with academic renewal into another major must establish a new grade point average with a minimum of 13 graded credits including one or more of the required science courses. If all three science courses were completed during previous enrollment, the student must establish a new cumulative GPA with a minimum of 12 credits selected from the list of required 2NURS non-science courses. Students who have completed some or all of the non-science courses should discuss their course choices to reach 12 credits with their academic advisor.

***All candidates for future pool groups must file the complete appropriate forms/applications no later than November 30. See appropriate codes above. All candidates must also meet the course/credit requirements noted above by the end of the fall semester prior to the fall in which the student wishes to begin the 2NURS program.***

The requirements for successful candidacy into 2NURS may change annually for each fall pool group. This includes, but is not limited to, freshman, advanced standing (transfer), provisional-to-degree, change of major, and re-enrollment applicants. Candidates for later semesters than that noted in the heading of this document are responsible for checking with Penn State Fayette's Office of Admissions or Nursing department office to determine whether the requirements have changed for their fall pool group.

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**The Pennsylvania State University**  
**College of Health and Human Development**  
**School of Nursing**  
**Curriculum Sequence**  
**Minimum 68 credits required**

**LEVEL I (Fall)**

___ English 015	(3 cr.)
___ Biology 129 Anatomy	(4 cr.)
___ HDFS 129 or Psych 212	(3cr.)
___ Nursing 111	(4 cr.)√
___ Nursing 112	(4 cr.)√

**LEVEL II (Spring)**

___ Sociology 001 or Soc 005	(3 cr.)
___ Biology 141 Physiology	(3 cr.)
___ Biology 142 Lab	(1 cr.)
___ Psychology 100	(3 cr.)
___ Nursing 113	(4 cr.)√√
___ Nursing 114	(4 cr.)√√

**LEVEL III (Fall)**

___ Math 21 (or Higher)	(3 cr.)
___ Micro Biology 106	(3 cr.)
___ Micro Biology 107 Lab	(1 cr.)
___ Nursing 211	(5 cr.)
___ Nursing 212	(4 cr.)

**LEVEL IV (Spring)**

___ Humanities Elective	(3 cr.)^
___ Arts Elective	(3 cr.)^
___ Nursing 213	(5 cr.)
___ Nursing 214W	(5 cr.)

**cr. = Credits**

^ Associate degree students must complete a 3-credit course designated as United States Cultures (US), designated as International Cultures (IL) or designated as both United States Cultures and International Cultures (US: IL).

√ Nursing 111 and Nursing 112 is NOT required for eligible LPNs (Licensed Practical Nurse)

√√ Opportunity exists for eligible LPNs to test out of Nursing 113 and Nursing 114.

# Course Descriptions

## Key to Semester Hour Designation

**4 SH (2,2) = 4 Semester Hours (2 semester hours in *lecture*, 2 semester hours in *lab/clinical*)**

**Each semester hour in *lecture* = 50 minutes contact**

**Each semester hour in *lab/clinical* = 3 hours (or 180 minutes) contact**

**Therefore, a 4 credit course would meet for (2) 50 minute lecture periods and 6 hours of clinical (2 x 3 hours).**

## Required Nursing Courses

**NURS 111 – Nursing Roles (4)** Introduction to associate degree nursing roles and nursing process. Prerequisite: or concurrent: NURS 112, BIOL 142 or BIOL 129, HD FS 129 or PSYCH 212, ENGL 015. 4 SH (2,2)

**NURS 112 – Health Patterns/Nursing Interventions (4)** Emphasis on individual health patterns and selected nursing interventions. Prerequisite: or concurrent: NURS 111, BIOL 141, or BIOL 129, HD FS 129 or PSYCH 212, ENGL 015. 4 SH (2,2)

**NURS 113 – Childbearing Family (4)** Introduction to antepartum, intrapartum, postpartal, and neonatal nursing care. Prerequisite: NURS 111, NURS 112, ENGL 015, HD FS 129 or PSYCH 212. Prerequisite: or concurrent: BIOL 129 or BIOL 141; BIOL 142, PSYCH 100, SOC 001 or SOC 005. 4 SH (2,2)

**NURS 114 – Childbearing Family (4)** Emphasis on infancy through young adulthood with common and well defined health problems, with integrated nursing content. Prerequisite: NURS 111, NURS 112, ENGL 015, HD FS 129 or PSYCH 212, ENGL 015. Prerequisite: or concurrent: BIOL 129 or BIOL 141; BIOL 142, PSYCH 100, SOC 001 or SOC 005. 4 SH (2,2)

**NURS 211 – Pathophysiology/Nursing Interventions I (5)** Emphasis on middle-aged adults. Develop expanding competencies in caring for clients with acute or chronic dysfunctional health patterns. Prerequisite: NURS 113, NURS 114. Prerequisite: or concurrent: MICRB 106, MICRB 107. Quantification elective. 5 SH (2,3)

**NURS 212 – Pathophysiology/Nursing Interventions II (4)** Caring for middle-aged adults with acute or chronic dysfunctional health patterns involving nutritional, metabolic, reproductive, oncological and immunological impairment. Prerequisite: NURS 113, NURS 114. Prerequisite: or concurrent: MICRB 106, MICRB 107. Quantification elective. 4 SH (2,2)

**NURS 213 – Pathophysiology/Nursing Interventions III (5)** Care of adults with complex physical dysfunctional health patterns. Prerequisite: NURS 211, NURS 212. Prerequisite: or concurrent: Arts elective and Humanities elective. 5 SH (3,2)

**Nurs 214W – Psychiatric Nursing/Leadership Concepts (5)** Care of older adults with complex emotional or physical dysfunctional health patterns while developing the management knowledge base. Prerequisite: NURS 211, NURS 212. Prerequisite: or concurrent: Arts elective and Humanities elective. 5 SH (2,3)