

NURSING AS

Total Credits: 70
Catalog Edition: 2025-2026

Program Description

The basic nursing curriculum covers two academic years, is approved by the Maryland Board of Nursing, and is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission. Upon successful completion of the curriculum, the graduate is granted the AS in nursing and is eligible to take the state board examination for registered nurse licensure. Graduates will be prepared to give competent nursing care to patients in hospitals, nursing homes, and other comparable health agencies under the supervision of more experienced practitioners and, with appropriate experience and further preparation, should be able to assume increasing responsibility in nursing. Hospitals, nursing homes, and other health agencies within the metropolitan area will provide the settings for a variety of clinical experiences, which are planned as a vital part of each nursing course.

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Maintain legal, ethical, evidence-based, and professional standards in nursing.
- Utilize clinical reasoning in practice.
- Practice patient centered care.
- Demonstrate teamwork and collaboration.
- Effectively use current technology and informatics.
- Ensure a safe environment for patient, self, and others.

Program Advisors

Nursing students are assigned an academic program advisor upon acceptance into the nursing program. If you are a current nursing student and do not know who your advisor is, email nursing.program@montgomerycollege.edu. Prospective students should attend an [information session](#) for more information.

Takoma Park/Silver Spring

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For more information, please visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/nursing>

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Program Advising Guide

An Academic Reference Tool for Students

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Suggested Course Sequence

All students should review this advising guide and consult an advisor.

General Education Requirements

Distribution Courses

BIOL 150 - Principles of Biology I 4 semester hours (NSLD)
BIOL 212 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I 4 semester hours (NSLD)
PSYC 100 - General Psychology 3 semester hours (BSSD)
SOCY 100 - Introduction to Sociology 3 semester hours (BSSD)
OR
SOCY 105 - Social Problems and Issues 3 semester hours (BSSD)
OR
SOCY 240 - Sociology of Age and Aging 3 semester hours (BSSD)
Arts distribution 3 semester hours (ARTD)
Humanities distribution 3 semester hours (HUMD)

Nursing Core Courses

NURS 113 - Fundamentals of Nursing 7 semester hours
NURS 114 - Professionalism and Communication in Nursing 1 semester hour
NURS 121 - Basic Health Assessment 1 semester hour
NURS 125 - Nursing in Health and Illness I 4 semester hours
NURS 126 - Nursing Care of Special Populations I: Geriatric and Psychiatric Nursing 4 semester hours
NURS 129 - Pathophysiology and Pharmacology in Nursing 2 semester hours

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Advising Notes

In addition to the scholastic standards required of all students in the College, nursing students are required to achieve a grade of C or better in mathematics foundation, BIOL 210, BIOL 212, and BIOL 213, and each nursing course in order to continue in the program. The nursing curriculum depends on proper sequencing of courses.

All non-nursing courses in the curriculum, with the exception of the arts and humanities distribution courses, are to be completed prior to or during the semester in which they are listed.

Foundation Courses

English foundation 3 semester hours (ENGF)
Mathematics foundation 3 semester hours (MATF)

General Education Elective

BIOL 213 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II 4 semester hours (GEEL)

Other Requirements

BIOL 210 - Microbiology 4 semester hours

NURS 205 - Transition to Professional Nursing Practice 1 semester hour
NURS 225 - Nursing in Health and Illness II 4 semester hours
NURS 226 - Nursing Care of Special Populations II: Maternal/Child Nursing 5 semester hours
NURS 240 - Nursing in Health and Illness III 7 semester hours

Transfer Opportunities

Montgomery College has partnerships with multiple four-year institutions and the tools to help you transfer. To learn more, please visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/transfer> or <http://artsys.usmd.edu>.

Get Involved at MC!

Employers and Transfer Institutions are looking for experience outside the classroom.

MC Student Clubs and Organizations: <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/life-at-mc/student-life/>

Related Careers

Registered Nurse

Career Services

Montgomery College offers a range of services to students and alumni to support the career planning process. To learn more, please visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/career>

Career Coach

A valuable online search tool that will give you the opportunity to explore hundreds of potential careers or job possibilities in Maryland and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. Get started today on your road to a new future and give it a try. For more information, please visit <https://montgomerycollege.emsicc.com>

Notes:

This is a selective program with specific admissions requirements. Applications should be received in the Admissions Office by April 1 for fall semester and by August 1 for spring semester. For additional information, contact the Admissions and Records Office at the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus, 240-567-1501, or the program department.

After acceptance into the nursing program, all students must obtain current CPR certification for “Healthcare Provider” or “Professional Rescuer” as well as a TB test or chest X-ray showing no evidence of tubercular disease. Clinical agencies require documented evidence (titers) of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, and hepatitis B (immunization series may be in progress with titer obtained at its conclusion). In addition, knowledge of varicella (chicken pox) immune status by blood titer is required.