

# FOCUS AREA

## HEALTH PROFESSIONS

58

CORE CREDIT HOURS

0

MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

0

ELECTIVE CREDIT HOURS



**TERM 1: FALL**

**C1: ENGL 1101** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
English Composition I

**M: MATH 1001/1111/1113** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
Quantitative Skills and Reasoning, College Algebra or Precalculus

**I2: XIDS 2002** **2** CREDIT HOURS  
First-Year Seminar

**T1: BIOL 1107/CHEM 1151** **4** CREDIT HOURS  
Principles of Biology I or Survey of Chemistry I + lab sections

**S2: SOCIAL SCIENCE** **3** CREDIT HOURS

**MILESTONES:**

- SCHEDULE AN ADVISING APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR.
- BEGIN EXPLORING ACADEMIC RESOURCES
  - CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS: PEER ACADEMIC COACHING, PEER TUTORING, SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION (SI)
  - CAREER SERVICES FOR CAREER COUNSELING

**TERM 2: SPRING**

**C2: ENGL 1102** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
English Composition II

**T3: MATH 1401** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
Elementary Statistics

**P1: HIST 2111 OR 2112** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
US History

**T2: BIOL 1108/CHEM 1152** **4** CREDIT HOURS  
Principles of Biology II or Survey of Chemistry II + lab sections

**MILESTONES:**

- SCHEDULE AN ADVISING APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR.
- BEGIN RESEARCHING CNA PROGRAMS FOR UPCOMING SUMMER COMPLETION (RECOMMENDED).
- AT THE END OF YEAR 1 TERM 2, YOUR REQUIRED CORE IMPACTS STEM SEQUENCE SHOULD BE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED.

**15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 13 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 28 CREDIT HOURS**

**TERM 1: FALL**

**F: BIOL 2251 + LAB** **4** CREDIT HOURS  
Anatomy & Physiology I

**S1: HIST 1111 OR 1112** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
World History

**I1: ORAL COMMUNICATIONS** **3** CREDIT HOURS

**A: ARTS/HUMANITIES/ETHICS** **3** CREDIT HOURS

**F: SOCIAL SCIENCE ELECTIVE** **3** CREDIT HOURS

**MILESTONES:**

- SCHEDULE AN ADVISING APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR.
- THE PROGRAM GPA OBTAINED AT THE END OF THIS SEMESTER WILL BE THE PROGRAM GPA USED ON YOUR NURSING SCHOOL APPLICATION.
- DUE TO COMPETITIVE ADMISSION, BEGIN EXPLORING PARALLEL PLAN OPTIONS WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR.

**TERM 2: SPRING**

**P2: POLS 1101** **3** CREDIT HOURS  
American Government

**F: BIOL 2252 + LAB** **4** CREDIT HOURS  
Anatomy & Physiology II

**F: BIOL 2260 + LAB** **4** CREDIT HOURS  
Foundations of Microbiology

**A: ARTS/HUMANITIES/ETHICS** **3** CREDIT HOURS

**MILESTONES:**

- SCHEDULE AN ADVISING APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR.
- ALL COURSES REQUIRED IN THE BSN CORE CURRICULUM MUST BE COMPLETED AT THE END OF THIS TERM FOR SUMMER ADMISSION.

**16 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 14 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS**

## CAREER OPTIONS FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONS:

- Health Informatics Specialists
- Mental Health Counselors
- Health and Safety Engineers, Except Mining Safety Engineers and Inspectors
- Occupational Health and Safety Specialists
- Health Education Specialists
- Occupational Health and Safety Technicians
- Community Health Workers
- Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary
- Medical and Health Services Managers
- Home Health Aides
- Environmental Science and Protection Technicians, Including Health
- Health Information Technologists and Medical Registrars
- Epidemiologists
- Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nurses
- Nurse Midwives
- Environmental Scientists and Specialists, Including Health
- Health Technologists and Technicians
- Registered Nurses
- Nurse Practitioners
- Preventive Medicine Physicians

## INTERESTED IN EXPLORING OTHER MAJORS AT UWG?

We have a variety of majors in addition to Nursing that allow students to work in diverse health-care and helping professions! See information below or set up a time to discuss these with your advisor.

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

The Bachelor of Science in Social and Behavioral Health provides students with the opportunity to learn foundation skills necessary to succeed in the dynamic health and social services environments. Courses in the program teach students how community and social factors contribute to a variety of public health problems, policies, and solutions; how to design, administer, and assess social service and/or behavioral health programs to ensure their quality and effectiveness; and how to help people navigate the healthcare system to find the resources they need to be healthy. Students will learn this through courses in health services, health analytics, complementary & alternative healthcare, cultural & social aspects of health, and behavioral & mental health. Upon graduation, students are prepared for advanced graduate and professional school education, and for entrance into the job market in a variety of health- and social services-related settings such as hospitals, public health agencies, research laboratories, mental health agencies, assisted living facilities, insurance companies, rehabilitation facilities, and non-profit organizations caring for marginalized populations.

### HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS

Students have the option of taking 15 credit hours of electives or choosing an approved minor such as Biology, Business Administration, Management, Psychology, Sociology, Nutrition Promotion & Education, Sport Management, Coaching, or others. Students also have the option to choose 1 of 4 professional tracks: Athletic Training, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, or Dietetics. These tracks will prepare students to apply for a Master's or doctoral program in the designated field of study.

# ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING IS HIGHLY SELECTIVE.

In order to remain a Focus Area Health Profession student, you must maintain a 2.5 PGPA (program GPA) after completing 24 credit hours. The minimum PGPA to apply is a 2.75. The average PGPA of the students that have been accepted the past several years has been roughly a 3.3. Academic Advisors recommend students having at least a 3.3 to be marginally competitive. Advisors encourage students to be aware of their own academic standing, so when they do meet with an advisor they are prepared to hear the honest and realistic prognosis for where they stand. Should a student not be competitive, advisors will explain in detail alternate routes to nursing or other career and helping profession possibilities.

**Only your Nursing Academic Advisor can pull your program GPA. The GPA listed on Wolf Watch is not the GPA that is used for admission.**

## GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR MAJOR!!

Join PNSA- (Pre-Nursing Student Association). Learn about upcoming pre-nursing events; meet other pre-nursing students; attend intentional, organized study sessions; volunteer; stay updated on the pre-nursing curriculum, and ways to become a competitive applicant.

- Email [pnsa@westga.edu](mailto:pnsa@westga.edu)

## ABOUT THIS MAP

This program map is intended ONLY as a guide for students to plan their course of study. It does NOT replace any information in the Undergraduate Catalog, which is the official guide for completing degree requirements.

## CRITICAL COURSE PROGRESSION INFORMATION:

<b>ENGL 1101</b> English Composition I	<b>C</b>
<b>ENGL 1102</b> English Composition II	<b>C</b>
<b>MATH 1001</b> Quantitative Skills & Reasoning	<b>C</b>
<b>MATH 1111</b> College Algebra	<b>C</b>
<b>BIOL 1107/1107L</b> Principles of Biology I	<b>C</b>
<b>BIOL 1108/1108L</b> Principles of Biology II	<b>C</b>
<b>CHEM 1151/L</b> Survey of Chemistry I	<b>C</b>
<b>CHEM 1152/L</b> Survey of Chemistry II	<b>C</b>
<b>BIOL 2251/L</b> Anatomy & Physiology I	<b>C</b>
<b>BIOL 2252/L</b> Anatomy & Physiology II	<b>C</b>
<b>BIOL 2260/L</b> Foundations of Microbiology	<b>C</b>

## THE MINIMUM GRADE REQUIRED TO PROGRESS FOR EACH COURSE

Visit [westga.edu/program-maps](http://westga.edu/program-maps) for the latest version of this major map.



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HAVE A QUESTION?  
CHECK IN WITH  
YOUR ADVISOR!

## HONORS COLLEGE

Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!

