



**2008 – 09 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET**  
**Degree: Bachelor of Science in Nursing**  
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**About This Major . . .**

The Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program is accredited by the Colorado State Board of Nursing and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). This program is designed for high school graduates, Associate and Diploma RNs, and LPNs. The four-year program provides educational experiences to prepare a professional nurse generalist to practice in a variety of health care settings. The program integrates nursing theory, practice, and science with a broad liberal arts education. The program has been developed to prepare a highly competent professional with the education necessary to meet the increasing need for quality health care in society today and provides students with the foundation for graduate study in nursing.

The department usually receives about three times more nursing applications than it can accept. Therefore, grades and completion of required courses are considered in the application process, as well as the score on a standardized entrance test and CPR certification. Mesa State's BSN nursing program started in 1988 and has been fully accredited since its inception. The college is very proud to report that the graduates of this program have maintained a 90-100% pass rate on the National Council for Licensure Examination (NCLEX), which is the examination an RN must pass to obtain a license to practice.

**POLICIES:**

1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the MSC Catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office **by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.**
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you will be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).

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**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STUDENT ID #** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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I, (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

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Signature of Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Department Head \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Registrar \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

**Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.**

**Degree Requirements:**

- 120 semester hours total (A minimum of 28 taken at MSC)
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken within the major at MSC)
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all MSC coursework
- 2.00 GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- Program sheets are for advising purposes only. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, check with your advisor for additional guidelines, including prerequisites, grade point averages, grades, exit examinations, and other expectations. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all guidelines for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the faculty advisor and/or Department Head.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the Mesa State College catalog for additional graduation information.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS** (31 semester hours)

See the current Mesa State College catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

Course	No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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**English** (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

ENGL 111	English Composition	3	_____	_____	_____
ENGL 112	English Composition	3	_____	_____	_____
(ENGL 129, Honors English, may be substituted for ENGL 111 & ENGL 112.)					

**Math:** (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

MATH 113	College Algebra	4*	_____	_____	_____
*3 credits apply to the General Ed requirements and 1 credit applies to elective credit					

**Humanities** (3 semester hours)

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**Social and Behavioral Sciences** (6 semester hours)

PSYC 150	General Psychology	3	_____	_____	_____
PSYC 233	Human Growth & Development	3	_____	_____	_____
(PSYC 150 and PSYC 233 are also program requirements)					

**Natural Sciences** (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

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**Fine Arts** (3 semester hours)

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**History** (3 semester hours)

HIST	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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**OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS** (6 semester hours)

**Kinesiology** (3 semester hours)

KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____	_____

**Applied Studies** (3 semester hours)

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**DEGREE DISTINCTION REQUIREMENTS** (6 semester hours)

Must receive a grade of "C" or better

STAT 200	Probability and Statistics	3	_____	_____	_____
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**Humanities or Social/Behavioral Sciences** (3 semester hours)

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**NURSING MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

(80 semester hours) Must pass all courses with a grade of "C" or higher.

**Required Support Courses** (12 semester hours)

BIOL 209	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 209L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 210	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 210L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
BIOL 241	Pathophysiology	4	_____	_____	_____

**Required Nursing Courses** (68 semester hours)

NURS 201	Fundamentals of Nursing	4	_____	_____	_____
NURS 201L	Fundamentals of Nursing Lab	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 202	Health Assessment/Promotion	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 202L	Health Assessment/Promotion Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 203	Pharmacology I	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 204	Nursing Theory/Foundations	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 301	Medical/Surgical Process	4	_____	_____	_____
NURS 301L	Medical/Surgical Process Lab	4	_____	_____	_____
NURS 302	Family Nursing Through the Lifespan	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 303	Professional Development	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 304	Pharmacology II	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 313	Mental Health	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 313L	Mental Health Lab	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 314	The Childbearing Family	3	_____	_____	_____
NURS 314L	The Childbearing Family Lab	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 315	Pediatrics	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 315L	Pediatrics Lab	1	_____	_____	_____
NURS 403	Community Health Nursing	4	_____	_____	_____
NURS 403L	Community Health Nursing Lab	2	_____	_____	_____
NURS 406	Advanced Medical/Surgical	3	_____	_____	_____

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns	Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
NURS 406L	Advanced Medical/Surgical Lab	3	_____	_____	NURS 415	Business of Health Care	2	_____	_____
NURS 407	Nursing Research	3	_____	_____	NURS 416	Nursing Therapeutics	2	_____	_____
NURS 411	Leadership	2	_____	_____	<b>Electives</b> (2 semester hours Nursing Elective, plus 1 semester hours)				
NURS 411L	Leadership Lab	1	_____	_____	NURS _____	_____	2	_____	_____
NURS 412L	Senior Specialty	4	_____	_____	*MATH 113	College Algebra	1	_____	_____

**LPN's:** Previous degree \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

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LPNs must take all the courses, both non-nursing and nursing, except NURS 201/201L. Also, LPNs are required to obtain IV certification prior to application to the nursing program.

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN NURSING

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are only offered during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with the assigned advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Mesa State website for course availability.

### FIRST YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>
ENGL 111	English Composition	3	ENGL 112	English Composition	3
General Education Natural Science with Lab		4	General Education Natural Science		3
PSYC 150*	General Psychology	3	PSYC 233*	Human Growth and Development	3
General Education Humanities		3	General Education Humanities		3
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	<u>1</u>	KINA	Activity	<u>1</u>
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### SECOND YEAR

<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>
BIOL 209*	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3	BIOL 210*	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIOL 209L*	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	1	BIOL 210L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	1
General Education Social/Behavioral Science or Humanities		3	BIOL 241*	Pathophysiology	4
MATH 113*	College Algebra	4	General Education Fine Arts		3
General Education Applied Studies		3	STAT 200	Probability and Statistics	<u>3</u>
KINA	Activity	<u>1</u>			14
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\*These courses are program pre-requisites. Please note that two program requirements, PSYC 150 and PSYC 233, were counted under general education totals.

### THIRD YEAR

<b>LEVEL I</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>LEVEL II</b>		<b>Hours</b>
NURS 201	Fundamentals of Nursing	4	NURS 301	Medical/Surgical Nursing	4
NURS 201L	Fundamentals of Nursing Lab	3	NURS 301L	Medical/Surgical Nursing Lab	4
NURS 202	Health Assessment/Promotion	3	NURS 302	Family Nursing	3
NURS 202L	Health Assessment/Promotion Lab	1	NURS 303	Professional Development	2
NURS 203	Nursing Pharmacology	2	NURS 304	Nursing Pharmacology II	<u>2</u>
NURS 204	Nursing Theory/Foundations	<u>1</u>			15
		14			

### FOURTH YEAR

<b>LEVEL III</b>		<b>Hours</b>	<b>LEVEL IV</b>		<b>Hours</b>
NURS 313	Mental Health Nursing	3	NURS 403	Public Health Nursing	4
NURS 313L	Mental Health Nursing Lab	2	NURS 403L	Public Health Nursing Lab	2
NURS 314	The Childbearing Family	3	NURS 406	Advanced Nursing	3
NURS 314L	The Childbearing Family Lab	2	NURS 406L	Advanced Nursing Lab	3
NURS 315	Pediatrics	2	NURS 407	Nursing Research	<u>3</u>
NURS 315L	Pediatrics Lab	<u>1</u>			15
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### FIFTH YEAR

<b>LEVEL V</b>		<b>Hours</b>
NURS 411	Leadership	2
NURS 411L	Leadership Lab	1
NURS 412L	Senior Specialty	4
NURS 415	Business of Health Care	2
NURS 416	Nursing Therapeutics	2
NURS	Nursing Electives	<u>2</u>
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