Central Arizona College

Area of Interest: Nursing, Health & Emergency Careers
Degree: Associates of Arts (AA)
Pathway: Pre-Nursing
College Catalog: 2025-2026

Program Location: Signal Peak Campus (All Campuses prerequisite/corequisite courses.)
Contact Information: nhec.advisor@centralaz.edu
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Legend

Bold Course=Required Course	Recommended Course **(R)**	Stackable Certificate (SC)
Written Communication (WC)	Oral Communication (OC)	Arts/Humanities (AH)	Social/Behavioral Science (SB)
Biological Science (BS)	Mathematics (M)	Core Course (CC)	Transfer Elective (TE)

Pre-Program Admission Requirements:

Before applying to the program, students need to have completed the following:

- **BIO181 General Biology I**, BIO156 or placement assessment required to register for BIO201 or BIO205.
- Completed **BIO201 Anatomy & Physiology I** with a grade of "C" or better (within 5 years prior to the application.)
- Completed **BIO202 Anatomy & Physiology II** with a grade of "C" or better (within 5 years prior to the application.)
- Licensed Nursing Assistant **(LNA)** or Licensed Practical Nurse **(LPN)- CNA125**: Nursing Assistant course is offered at CAC or other AZ Board of Nursing Approved Licensed Nursing Assistant programs can be found at: https://www.azbn.gov/education/nursing-programs-lists
- Eligible to register for **ENG101 College Composition I.**
- Eligible to register for **MAT141 College Mathematics** or higher.
  - New Students-Find your suggested starting point for English/Reading & Math courses.
- **Application to the Nursing Program** (Must attend an informational session within one year of application.) The program application will be provided in the information session.
- **HESI Nursing entrance exam** at CAC prior to submitting application. The HESI must be completed within three attempts with the following scores: 80% minimum with 90-95% preferred on **Reading Comprehension**, **Grammar**, **Vocabulary**, and **Mathematics** and 70% minimum on Anatomy/Physiology. (A 30-day wait is required before retesting.)
- Cumulative **GPA of 2.75** or higher on nursing prerequisite/corequisite.

		Pre-requisite Courses: Term 1	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	TE	**BIO181 General Biology I**	4		
	WC	**ENG101 College Composition I**	3		Health-care specific section preferred.
	AH	Arts & Humanities course	3		
	M	**MAT162 Applied Statistics (R)** or Mathematics course	3-4		
	TE	**Transfer Elective**	3		
		Semester Credits:	**16-17**		

		Term 2 Co-requisite Courses	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	LS	**BIO201 Human Anatomy & Physiology I**	4		BIO201 & BIO202 must be taken within five years of application to the Nursing Program.
	LS	**BIO202 Human Anatomy & Physiology II**	4		
	WC	**ENG102 College Composition II**	3		
	SB	PSY101 Introduction to Psychology **(R)** or Social & Behavioral Science course	3		
	TE	**CHM130 Fundamental Chemistry**	4		
		Semester Credits:	**18**		

Term 3

		COURSE	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	TE	**BIO205 Microbiology**	4		
	AH	Arts & Humanities course	3		
	OC	**COM263 Intercultural Communication (R)** <u>or</u> Oral Communication course	3		
	SB	PSY203 Developmental Psychology **(R)** <u>or</u> Social & Behavioral Science course	3		
		Semester Credits	**13**	**Research career resources and opportunities!**	

Term 4 (Students may enroll in NUR courses AFTER official acceptance into the Nursing Program).

		COURSE	CREDITS	SEMESTER/GRADE	NOTES
	TE	**NTR200 Human Nutrition**	3		
	AH/ SB	Arts & Humanities <u>or</u> Social & Behavior Science course	3		
	TE	**PSY230 Introduction to Statistics**	3		
	TE	**LMT173 Pathophysiology**	3		
	TE	**Transfer Elective**	1		
		Semester Credits:	**13**		
		Total Certificate Credits	**60-61**		

Arizona Resident Tuition for 2025-2026 is $75 per credit hour; see <u>Paying for College</u>. Financial aid may be available.

Transfer Information

CAC University Transfer Center: <u>centralaz.edu/transfer</u> FREE CAC transfer resources and assistance.

AZTransfer Nursing Major Guide has a list of transfer programs at ASU, NAU, or UA.

Partnership Programs: CAC has partnerships with **NAU** and **ASU** for Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP). If you are considering the concurrent enrollment programs, please those maps.

- Students can graduate from CAC with AAS in Nursing and **NAU** with BSN concurrently.
- Students can graduate from CAC with AAS in Nursing, take the licensure exam and pass, and complete one additional semester at **ASU** to receive their BSN.

Students also have the option to complete a university BSN program after completing CAC's AAS Nursing.

Career Information

CAC Career Center: **centralaz.edu/career** FREE CAC career resources and assistance.

O*NET OnLine: Visit **onetonline.org** and search for:

- Education needed for specific occupations
- Occupation tasks, knowledge, skills and abilities
- Salary/wages for specific occupations ($)

Note: Use this Program MAP as a guide to choose courses with your advisor and track progress towards milestones and completion of program. Work with an advisor to customize your plan to align with your specific career and/or transfer goals.	**Part-Time Students:** Plans can be modified to fit the need of part-time students by adding more semesters. **The NUR program is not offered as a part-time program.**
Student Name:	**Advisor Name:**
Student ID Number: 880	**Date:**