



## RN Upward Mobility Curriculum Plan

South Dakota State University College of Nursing  
For students meeting 2017-18 and after catalog requirements

### University Core and Pre-Requisite

Course Title and Number	Credits
Composition I (ENGL 101)	3
Composition II (ENGL 201)	3
College Algebra (MATH 102 or higher)	3
Fundamentals of Speech (SPCM 101)	3
Humanities/Arts & Diversity	6
Nursing Seminar (NURS 119)	2
Human Anatomy & Lab (BIOL 221/221L)	4
Physiology & Lab (BIOL 325/325L)	4
General Chemistry & Lab (CHEM 106/106L)	4
Lifespan Development (HDFS 210)	3
Public Health Science (HSC 443)	3
General Microbiology & Lab (MICRO 231/231L)	4
Human Nutrition (NUTR 315)	3
Pharmacology (NURS 321)	3
General Psychology (PSYC 101)	3
Introduction to Sociology, Social Problems, Sociology of Rural American (SOC 100, 150 or 240)	3
Elective Credits (if needed)	

### Nursing Courses

Course Title and Number	Credits
Transition to BS (NURS 222)	1
Family and Communication (NURS 381)	3
Health Assessment, Clinical Decision Making and Nursing Intervention (NURS 385)	5
Leadership and Management (NURS 454)	3
Community Health (NURS 416)	5
Nursing Research and Theory (NURS 474)	3
AD/Diploma Nursing Credits	20
<b>Credits Necessary for Graduation</b>	<b>120</b>

**RNs earn an additional 19 SDSU Nursing credits as the above nursing curriculum is complete. A small fee is required.**

### Opportunity for RNs Only

Interested in graduate nursing? Eligible RNs may request the opportunity to substitute two required MSN/DNP courses for two RN to BSN courses. Eligibility for RNs includes:

- MSN, 3.0 GPA + STAT 281, Statistics (or equivalent course) completed within five years of program start date
- DNP, 3.3 GPA + STAT 281, Statistics (or equivalent course) completed within five years of program start date

RN-MSN and RN-DNP students substitute two graduate nursing courses in place of two RN-BS nursing courses. Graduate nursing courses completed as part of the BSN:

- Foundations Advanced Nursing – 3 credits (NURS 615) replaces NURS 454
- Research: Nursing/Health Care – 3 Credits (NURS 626) replaces NURS 474

Formal graduate application is made prior to baccalaureate graduation.