EXCELSIOR COLLEGE

Transfer Guide

Berkshire Community College A.S. Nursing to Excelsior College BS Nursing

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This program plan outlines how students can transfer credits from the **Berkshire Community College A.S. Nursing** degree program to the **Excelsior College BS Nursing** degree program. Upon completion of your nursing degree and validation of your current, unencumbered RN license, the following credits will apply for students enrolling in the **BS Nursing** program.

Berkshire Community College Credits	Semester Hours	Excelsior College Requirements	Semester Hours
BIO 201: Anatomy & Physiology I	4	Human Anatomy & Physiology Core **AND** Sciences Supportive of Nursing	4
BIO 202: Anatomy & Physiology II	4	Human Anatomy & Physiology Core **AND** Natural Sciences/Mathematics Electives	4
PSY 107: Introductory Psychology	3	Psychology Core	3
PSY 204: Human Growth & Development	3	Social Sciences/History Electives	3
BIO 207: Microbiology	4	Microbiology Core **AND** Natural Sciences/Mathematics Electives	4
Communication Elective (COM 104, COM 105, COM 106 **OR** COM 107)	3	Humanities Electives	3
English Composition (ENG 101, ENG 102, ENG 103 **OR** ENG 104	6	Written English Requirements	6
SOC 105: Introductory Sociology	3	Sociology Core	3
General Education Elective (History, Humanities OR Fine Arts)	3	Arts & Sciences Electives	3
Total Credits Required for Associate	**33**	**Total Credits Accepted from Associate**	**33**

Credits Beyond The Associate That Can Be Transferred OR Taken At Excelsior

Berkshire Community College Credits	Semester Hours	Excelsior College Requirements
MAT 123: Elementary Statistics *	3	Statistics Requirement
PHL 209: Ethics **	3	Ethics Core
Humanities Electives	6	Humanities Electives
Social Sciences / History Electives	6	Social Sciences / History Electives
Arts & Sciences Electives	9	Arts & Sciences Electives
Total Additional Credits	**27**	

* Statistics is required and is a pre-/corequisite for Excelsior College's NUR 430: Research in Nursing.

** Ethics is required and is a prerequisite for Excelsior College's NUR 462: Nursing Capstone.

*** The Written English requirement is a prerequisite to all nursing courses except NUR 338: Introduction to Informatics for Nurses. The first 3 credits in Written English must be completed within the first 13 Excelsior College credits attempted.

Credits To Be Taken At Excelsior College

Excelsior College Requirements	Semester Hours
INL 102: Information Literacy *	1
PHASE I: NUR 336: The Profession of Nursing: Becoming Influential	3
NUR 338: Introduction to Informatics for Nurses	2
NUR 342: Holistic Health Care Across the Life Span	4
Nursing Elective (Upper Level)	3

PHASE II: NUR 430: Research in Nursing	3
NUR 446: Teaching and Learning in a Diverse Society	3
NUR 456: Leadership and Management in Nursing **	4
NUR 448: Community Health Nursing - Care for the Public's Health	4
PHASE III: NUR 462: Nursing Capstone ***	4
Total Credits	**31**

* This requirement must be completed within the first 13 Excelsior College credits attempted, and no more than five years prior to the academic policy date.

** Successful completion of NUR 456: Leadership and Management in Nursing yields a nurse manager certificate from Sigma Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing.

*** Students are eligible for this requirement when the ethics core requirement is complete, when they have no more than 6 credits in general education still needed, and when all other nursing courses are complete. The nursing elective is the only nursing requirement that can be taken along with the capstone course.

Evaluation Summary	Semester Hours
Credits Accepted from Associate Degree	33
Additional Credits beyond the Associate Degree *	27
30 semester hours of lower level Nursing credit granted for prior learning validated by nursing education and successful completion of the NCLEX-RN examination.	30
Credits from Excelsior **	31
Total Credits Required for Bachelor's Degree	**121**

* Students can take these courses at Excelsior College or another degree granting institution. Students should contact Excelsior College for approval before registering to ensure the transferability of this credit.

** Students are required to take a minimum of **12.00 online course credits** from Excelsior to qualify for partner pricing.

NOTE: Excelsior College reviews every student individually and this guide is just a sample scenario. Actual requirements will be dependent on the courses a student transfers to Excelsior.

What are Arts and Sciences?

We offer the following definitions to help you make these determinations. Remember, however, that before you pay to take a course or examination you should always consult with your advisor to make sure that it will help meet your degree requirements.

Humanities

Humanities subjects focus on developing knowledge and skills in critical reading, logical thought, and esthetic appreciation. Here are some subject areas typically classified as Humanities:

Art, Philosophy, Music, Foreign Language, Literature, Theater, Ethics, Speech, Religion, Communication

Social Sciences and History

Social Sciences and History subjects focus on individuals and society and the processes individuals use to order their world. Here are some subject areas typically classified as Social Sciences and History:

Psychology, Economics, Sociology, Geography, Political Science, History, Anthropology

Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Natural Sciences and Mathematics subjects focus on understanding the natural world and problem-solving processes. Here are some subject areas typically classified as Natural Sciences and Mathematics:

Anatomy and Physiology, College Algebra, Microbiology, Calculus, Chemistry, Genetics, Biology, Physics