



Associate's to Bachelor's (ATB) Option **General Information for this Online Option**

(Option is delivered in a fully online format with no on campus requirements)

I. General Program Information

This dual enrollment option is available to eligible students once they are accepted to the Carroll Community College (CCC) Nursing Program. Admission is competitive and based on completed courses and grade point average (GPA). Students will be enrolled as degree students at CCC and FSU and begin to take FSU online courses during the Nursing Program at CCC. Once the Associate of Science Degree (A.S.) is awarded at CCC, students must take and pass the nursing licensure exam, the NCLEX-RN, and then continue coursework at FSU to complete the Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (B.S.N.).

Program length to complete both the A.S. nursing clinical program and the B.S.N. is 9 terms, including winter and summer sessions, and it takes approximately 2.5 years to complete.

CCC courses will be held at the CCC campus; FSU courses will be taken as online courses.

Two degrees will be awarded: A.S. from CCC and B.S.N. from FSU (where a minimum of 32 credits will be required from FSU to graduate).

Advisors will be available from both CCC and FSU.

Financial aid will be arranged through Frostburg State University Office of Financial Aid.

II. Program Admission Requirements

- A. Admission to the CCC Nursing Program
- B. Selective process based on courses completed, GPA, and NLN-PAX (starting fall 2017)
- C. GPA of 3.0 or higher in CCC required admission courses
- D. Additional required courses (completed by the start of the first nursing course) with a C or better:
 - Chemistry (CHEM 101) 4 credits (must include a lab)
 - Statistics (MATH 115) 3-4 credits
 - Nutrition (BIOL 220) 3 credits
 - Arts and Humanities Elective 3 credits

III. ATB Program Progression

Students must be successful in all required courses to continue in the ATB option.

Students are expected to complete the sequence of study as outlined in the CCC-FSU ATB curriculum plan.

Students must successfully pass the NCLEX-RN to be allowed to start the remaining FSU courses (NURS-491, -495, -496).

IV. General Application Procedures

Note: Students applying to the FSU ATB Option must first be accepted to the CCC A.S. Degree Nursing Program. Admission to the FSU Option is contingent upon admission to CCC's Nursing Program.

The CCC-FSU ATB application deadline for a Fall start is in May.

1. Apply online at <https://www.frostburg.edu/admissions-and-cost/undergraduate/apply/transfer-applicants.php>
2. When prompted (near the end of the online application), **do not** pay the application fee. Instead, please contact Dan Saunders, at FSU, for a code to enter into your online application so that your application fee can be waived. Contact Dan Saunders @ drsaunders@frostburg.edu.
3. Have official transcripts for all colleges/universities that you attended sent to FSU Admissions.
4. Admissions will review file and send to the FSU Nursing Department.
5. CCC and FSU Nursing Departments will review for acceptance into the ATB option.
6. Student will be notified by email with admission decision.

V. Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees can change from one academic year to the next. For most up to date information go to:

<http://www.frostburg.edu/nursing/degree-programs/atb-program/program-criteria/>

VI. Non-Nursing Course Requirements

Requirements for Admission to CCC Associate Degree RN Program	Additional Requirements for Admission to the FSU Associate to Bachelor's Option	Additional Non-Nursing FSU Requirements to Award the Bachelor of Science in Nursing
ENGL 101 College Writing 3 cr	CHEM 101 4 cr	300-Level English 3 cr
BIOL 101 Fundamentals of Biology 4 cr	Intro to Chemistry with Lab	(Recommended : ENGL 308 Advanced Composition)
BIOL 210 Anatomy & Physiology I 4 cr	BIOL 220 Nutrition 3 cr	MGMT 356 3 cr
BIOL 211 Anatomy & Physiology II 4 cr	Note: Courses in this column can all be taken at CCC.	Leadership and Human Behavior
BIOL 215 Microbiology 4 cr		Note: the courses <u>above</u> will be taken online <u>during</u> the ATB Nursing program of study <u>at FSU</u> .
MATH 115 Intro to Statistical Methods 4 cr		Note: the courses <u>below</u> can be taken <u>before or during</u> the ATB Nursing Option and can be taken at CCC or FSU. Check with FSU advisor to be sure CCC course(s) will meet FSU requirement(s).
PSYC 101 General Psychology 3 cr		Fine & Performing Arts Category (not needed if student chooses Fine Arts course at CCC) 3 cr
PSYC 211 Human Growth & Dev 3 cr		OR
SOC 101 Intro to Sociology 3 cr		Humanities Category (not needed if student chooses Communications course at CCC) 3 cr
Fine & Performing Arts OR Communication Category 3 cr		
Humanities Category: ENGL-102, -201, -202, -211, or -240 3 cr		
Totals: 38 credits	7 credits	6-9 credits

For more information:

For CCC related questions/course advising, contact Dr. Jennifer Fritzges, Dual Enrollment Coordinator, at JFritzges@carrollcc.edu or 410-386-8322.

For FSU related application questions contact Crystal Lloyd, ATB Program Management Specialist at clloyd@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4893.

For FSU related questions/course advising, contact Dr. Kara Platt at knplatt@frostburg.edu or 301-687-4791.

Carroll CC - Frostburg State University ATB Nursing Curriculum Plan**

Fall Start Plan

(For students who will start ATB in the 1st semester of Carroll CC's Nursing Program in the Fall)

(Note: Students may wish to take additional CCC Core courses before beginning nursing sequence)

Term 1 Fall	Term 2 Winter	Term 3 Spring	Term 4 Summer	Term 5 Fall
<p>CCC NURS 131 Health Assessment 1 credit/15 weeks</p> <p>CCC NURS 132 Medication Administration 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>CCC NURS 133 Nursing Concepts 1 5 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>FSU NURS 403 Elements of the Professional Nursing Role 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p>FSU 300 – Level English* 3 credits/3 weeks</p>	<p>CCC NURS 140 Nursing Concepts 2 9 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>FSU NURS 405 Ethics in Contemporary Nursing Practice- 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p>FSU NURS 401 Health Assessment 3 credits/6 weeks</p> <p><u>AND</u></p> <p>FSU MGMT 356 Leadership and Human Behavior 3 credits/6 weeks</p>	<p>CCC NURS 233 Nursing Concepts 3 8 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>FSU NURS 406 Leadership for Nursing Quality and Safety 3 credits/15 weeks</p>
11 credits	3 credits	12 credits	6 credits	11 credits
Term 6 Winter	Term 7 Spring	Term 8 Summer	Term 9 Fall	
<p>FSU NURS Elective 3 credits/3 weeks</p> <p>(Please consult with your FSU Nursing Advisor when choosing which course you would like to take to fulfill this requirement.)</p>	<p>CCC NURS 242 Nursing Concepts 4 7 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>FSU NURS 404 Nursing Informatics 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>A.S. Degree Awarded</p>	<p>NCLEX – RN</p> <p>FSU NURS 402 Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice 3 credits/12 weeks</p> <p><u>CCC or FSU</u> Humanities or Fine & Performing Arts (if needed) *** 3 credits/15 weeks</p>	<p>FSU NURS 491 Population-Focused Nursing Practice 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>FSU NURS 495 Population-Focused Nursing Practice Practicum 3 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>FSU NURS 496 Capstone Project 2 credits/15 weeks</p> <p>B.S. Degree Awarded upon completion of FSU 32 credit minimum requirement.</p>	
3 credits	10 credits	3-6 credits	8 credits	

*Students are encouraged to complete this course before the nursing clinical program begins. It may also be completed in a different term with permission of advisors.

**Faculty at both CCC and FSU reserve the right to update curriculum plans in response to criteria set forth by accreditation bodies, best practices in nursing education, and the evolving needs of the health care system.

***Students need one course in each category. Courses may have already been completed. See an advisor for details.