

## Alpena Community College Transfer Guide

Nursing is the largest health care profession with workforce shortages anticipated for the next two decades. Earnings are above average, particularly for advanced practice nurses who have additional education and certifications. Graduates of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program at Ferris are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN) to become a registered nurse.

Students in the Ferris Nursing program engage in a learner-centered approach to the study of nursing theory and skills in the classroom, online and in state of the art nursing skills laboratories while also having the opportunity to practice direct patient care in hospital and community settings under the guidance of clinically expert faculty. In addition, graduates of the BSN program can continue their education in the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program at Ferris or at another University setting. This program is accredited by the *Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)*.

### Course Requirements

Alpena Community College				Ferris State University			
Course	FSU Equiv.	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Course	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	
SPE 121 or SPE 121	COMM 105 or COMM 121	Speech Communication or Public Communication	3	COHP 101	The US Health Care System	3	
ENG 111 or ENG 121	ENGL 150	English	3	COHP 102	Safety Issues in Health Care	1	
ENG 112 or ENG 122	ENGL 250	English	3	COHP 350	Statistics in Health Care	3	
ENG 228	ENGL 321	Advanced Composition	3	COHP 450	Evidence-Based Health Practice	3	
MTH 113	MATH 115	Intermediate Algebra	4	PHIL 220	Ethics in Health Care	3	
BIO 140 or BIO 227	BIOL 108 or BIOL 286	Microbiology-Health Sciences or Microbiology	4	or PHIL 320	or Biomedical Ethics		
BIO 201 and BIO 203	BIOL 205	Human Anatomy and Human Physiology	8	NURS 260	Nursing Role Development	3	
CEM 111 <i>Alpena CC</i>	CHEM 114 <i>VARIABLES</i>	General Chemistry <i>Social Awareness Elective</i> <i>(3 credits must be transferred to FSU at 200+ level and must come from 2 different departments)</i>	5 9	NURS 261	Health-Related Quality of Life	3	
<i>Alpena CC</i>	<i>VARIABLES</i>	<i>Cultural Enrichment Elective</i>	6	NURS 262	Nursing Methods 1	4	
BIS 160	MRIS 103 (sub for COHP 100)	Medical Terminology	4	NURS 264	Pathophysiology Foundations	3	
<b>Total Alpena Community College Credits</b>			<b>52</b>	NURS 360	Pharmacology in Nursing	3	
It is important to review the <b>Application to the Professional Sequence – Course Qualifiers</b> chart that follows. For more information, see <a href="http://www.ferris.edu/chp">www.ferris.edu/chp</a> , from the <b>All Degrees drop-down</b> heading in the red bar, choose <b>BSN: pre-licensure RN</b> program and click on the information links in the side column				NURS 361	Psychosocial Nursing	3	
<b>FSU General Education Requirements can be found at:</b> <a href="http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/academics/gened/index.htm">http://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/academics/gened/index.htm</a>				NURS 362	Nursing Methods 2	3	
Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.				NURS 363	Practice Immersion 1	4	
Students are encouraged to work with their Ferris advisor for selection of any electives, to ensure transferability and to minimize credits taken.				NURS 370	Adult Health 1	4	
				NURS 371	Maternal Health & Childbearing	2	
				NURS 372	Nursing Methods 3	3	
				NURS 373	Practice Immersion 2	4	
				NURS 460	Adult Health 2	4	
				NURS 461	Pediatric Health	2	
				NURS 462	Nursing Methods 4	3	
				NURS 463	Practice Immersion 3	4	
				NURS 470	Community Health Leadership	4	
				NURS 471	Nursing Capstone	3	
				NURS 472	Nursing Methods	2	
				NURS 473	Practice Immersion 4	4	
				NURS 475	Integrative Health Nursing Elective	2	
				<b>Ferris Credits</b>		<b>80</b>	
				<b>Minimum Credits Required for Degree</b> <b>123</b>			

Program Offered at:  
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College of Health Professions  
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### General Admission Criteria

An overall minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average is required for admission into the College of Health Professions. Official transcripts from all accredited colleges/universities must be submitted with the Ferris application. Financial aid is available and may include concurrent enrollment at both institutions.

Applications may be submitted for the professional sequence once you have completed the course qualifiers listed below while maintaining a GPA of 2.7 or higher. This chart indicates the minimum requirements needed to qualify for the professional sequence. Applications to begin the professional sequence are accepted **March 15<sup>th</sup> – March 30<sup>th</sup>**.

Application to the Professional Sequence – Course Qualifiers	Minimum Credits	Minimum Grade Required
Math Competency – MATH 115 or MATH 117* • ACT math subscore of 24 or higher	3-4	ACT Score 24+ or B-
ENGL 150 English 1	3	C
Select one Foundation COMM course: • COMM 105 Interpersonal Communication • COMM 121 Public Speaking • COMM 221 Small Group Decision-Making	3	C
COHP 100 Medical Vocabulary	1	C
COHP 101 U.S Health Care Systems	3	C
COHP 102 Safety Issues in Health Care	1	C
CHEM 114 Intro to General Chemistry*	4	B-
BIOL 108 Medical Microbiology*	3	B-
BIOL 205 Anatomy & Physiology*	3	B-
<i>NOTE: * A grade of 2.7 or "B-" is required for all MATH, BIOL &amp; CHEM courses noted above. Students may only repeat one of these courses to become qualified for the professional sequence and that course can only be repeated once. A grade of "W" is considered an unsuccessful attempt. Two (2) Unsuccessful attempts in any one of the science or math courses will result in disqualification for the professional sequence of the nursing program.</i>		

### Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

### Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

### Online Learning

Select courses delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location). The "Online Readiness Tutorial" is required for students who register for an online *course* or are completing an online *degree*. Students must demonstrate competency in Blackboard skills. This may be done by taking a tutorial and quiz, or, for students who have already taken and passed online courses, they can submit a waiver request. Students should check with the department that offers the class to determine its particular needs and/or the Ferris advisor regarding registration for online course work.

### Reverse Transfer Agreement

The Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the community college and Ferris.

### Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

### Disclaimer

This is a guide for students who plan to transfer to Ferris State University. This guide is not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information on this guide is subject to change. Students should contact their community college or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the effective and/or revised date on the bottom of the guide.