

## Illinois State University

### B.S. in Nursing Transfer Guide

(2018/2019 Catalog)

ISU's curriculum for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing is approved by the Committee on Nursing of the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation and is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

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#### **Transfer Options**

First time transfer students to ISU are recommended to complete MCC's AA degree or the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC).

- **RedBird Promise** guaranteed admission to the University (not to specific major) - Specific requirements are as follows:
  - Complete the Redbird Promise Participation Form.
  - Complete AA or AS degree prior to Illinois State enrollment.
  - Achieve a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.4/4.0 in all transferable academic coursework (at all colleges/universities attended) and be in good academic standing at your community college.
- **AA Degree** - Transfer students admitted to ISU from an Illinois public community college who have completed an AA degree receive the following benefits (AS degree under MCC's 2015/16 or earlier catalog):
  - Junior status
  - ISU general education requirements satisfied (nursing requires specific coursework)
- **Illinois Articulation Agreement (IAI GECC)** – Transfer students who have been certified by a participating Illinois college or university as having completed the IAI GECC will be considered as having satisfied ISU's general education requirements if their general education component has a minimum of 37 semester hours (nursing requires specific coursework).
- **For students who transfer prior to completing an AA degree or the IAI core:**
  - ISU credit can be transferred back to MCC for completion of AA degree.
  - IAI core may be completed at ISU by taking ISU-approved IAI courses.
  - \*\*\* Nursing requires that general education is completed prior to transfer either through the AA or IAI completion at MCC.

#### **Admission Information**

- **Application and admission** - Students are strongly advised to study the ISU catalog and to consult with a counselor for specific admission and course requirements within the College of Nursing.
- Beginning in 2018, transfer students will be admitted to the nursing program during a Fall term only. Previously, the College had a summer or spring start date.
- **Application period** – September 1, 2018 - January 15, 2019 for Fall 2019 nursing admission. All supporting materials must be received by February 1, 2019, **including** official transcript verifying completion of Human Anatomy & Physiology I (BIO263) or Microbiology (BIO255) with a minimum C grade.
- Designate "Nursing - Prelicensure" as your major choice on the ISU admission application.
- **Admission Criteria** - Admission is limited and based on space availability and competitiveness of applicant pool. Factors that may be considered include, but are not limited to: college courses completed, hours completed, grades in prerequisite courses, cumulative GPA, quality of essay, healthcare experience, and CNA certification. CNA certification is not required, but it may enable an applicant to be more competitive in the applicant pool. The average admitted student profile to the major is 3.4-3.72.
- **Admission GPA** - For repeat courses, ISU uses the most recent repeated grade for calculating admission GPA.

- **Admission for Fall 2019-** The following must be completed prior to starting nursing courses (fall enrollment):
  - Minimum 55 credits (including the entire IAI GECC – 37 credits)
  - Required prerequisites with grade of C or better
    - CHM164 Introductory Chemistry
    - MAT120 or MAT220 Statistics
    - PSY151 Intro to Psychology
    - PSY250 Human Dev Over Life Span
    - \*BIO255 Microbiology
    - \*BIO263 & BIO264 Anatomy & Physiology I & II
    - HFE250 Nutrition for Wellness
    - AOM135 Medical Terminology

\* Anatomy and Physiology I or Microbiology must be completed with transcripts received by February 1 prior to fall enrollment

**Additional Information**

- **Grade Requirement** - ISU will accept a minimum D for general education requirements (except ENG151 & 152). All prerequisite and major related courses require a minimum grade of C or better.
- **Maximum hours from a community college** - Up to 70 academic credits may be transferred from a community college.
- **Catalog Rule** – A transfer student from an Illinois public community college may choose to meet graduation requirements specified in the ISU catalog in effect at the time the student entered the community college if 1) attendance was not interrupted and 2) transfer to ISU occurred within 9 months of attendance at the community college.
- **Global Studies Requirement (AMALI)**– All students must complete a designated course in the cultures and traditions of societies of peoples from Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America, or Indigenous Peoples of the World. IAI courses with number ending with N will fulfill the requirement (see courses listed in chart below). Completion prior to transfer is recommended.
- For students who are admitted to the BSN program, ISU recommends that NUR224, Contemporary Professional Nursing (1 cr), be taken during the summer prior to the fall start term.

**Education Plan** - This plan includes coursework that satisfies MCC’s AA degree, along with ISU’s general education and nursing prerequisite requirements. Courses in **bold** print are ISU nursing prerequisite requirements and must be completed with a grade of C or better. Please refer to the MCC’s current catalog for IAI course options and detailed AA degree requirements.

MCC AA Degree Requirements			
MCC Courses	Credits	MCC Courses	Credits
<b>Communications (9 SH)</b>		<b>*Diversity &amp; Multicultural Studies</b>	
_____ ENG151 Composition I (grade of C or better)	3	Two 3-credit hour courses are required. Courses that fulfill this requirement may be used to satisfy requirements in Humanities/Fine Arts, Social/Behavioral Sciences, or Electives. See current MCC catalog or AA planning sheet for course options.	
_____ ENG152 Composition II (grade of C or better)	3		
_____ SPE151 Introduction to Speech	3		
<b>*Humanities &amp; Fine Arts (9 SH)</b>		<b>Electives</b>	
(No more than 2 courses with the same prefix.)		_____ <b>AOM135 Medical Terminology</b>	3
_____ IAI Humanities	3	_____ <b>BIO255 Microbiology</b>	4
_____ IAI Fine Arts	3	_____ <b>BIO263 Anatomy &amp; Physiology I</b>	4
_____ IAI Humanities or Fine Arts	3	_____ <b>BIO264 Anatomy &amp; Physiology II</b>	4
<b>Physical and Life Sciences (8 SH)</b>		_____ <b>HFE250 Nutrition for Wellness</b>	3
_____ <b>CHM164 Introduction to Chemistry</b>	4	_____ Elective credits to satisfy 60 credit AA requirement	
_____ BIO157 Fundamentals of Biology (C or better)	4		
<b>*Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (9 SH)</b>		<b>TOTAL CREDITS - minimum of 60 required for AA</b>	
(No more than 2 courses with the same prefix.)		<b>A maximum of 70 credits from a community college can apply toward an ISU degree.</b>	
_____ <b>PSY151 Intro to Psychology</b>	3		
_____ <b>PSY250 Human Dev Over Life Span</b>	3		
_____ IAI Social & Behavioral Science (select from following prefixes: ANT, ECO,GEG, HIS, PLT, SOC)	3		
<b>Mathematics (3 SH)</b>			
_____ <b>MAT120 or 220 Statistics</b>	3		

\* Following satisfy MCC’s Diversity & Multicultural Studies requirement and ISU’s AMALI requirement: ANT151, 170; ART155, 165; ENG272, 276; GEG203, 204; HIS165; MUS153; PHI160, 261; PHI160, 261; PLT251, 261, 281