

SUNY Dutchess A.S. Degree – Nursing		MSMC course equivalents		GENED, MAJOR, ELEC
First Semester				
ENG 101 Composition I	3	ENG 1010 College Writing I	3	GENED
PSY 111 Psychological Principles	3	PSY 1010 General Psychology	3	GENED (required)
BIO 131 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	BIO 107 Anatomy & Physiology I	4	GENED
NUR 105 Nursing Science I	6		0-6	MAJOR
NUR 107 Survey of Professional Nursing	1		0-1	MAJOR
Total Semester Credits	17		10-17	
Second Semester				
ENG 102 Composition II	3	ENG 1020 Forms of Literature	3	GENED
PSY 203 Developmental Psychology	3	PSY 3050 Develop. Psych.	3	GENED (required)
BIO 132 Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIO 108 Anatomy & Physiology II	4	GENED
NUR 112 Nursing Science II	8		0-8	MAJOR
Total Semester Credits	18		10-18	
Third Semester				
BHS 103 Social Problems in Today's World	3	SOC 2320 Social Problems	3	GENED (required)
BIO 212 Microbiology	4	BIO 2020 Microbiology	4	MAJOR (required)
NUR 213 Nursing Science III	8		0-8	MAJOR
NUR 215 Parent-Child Nursing	3		0-3	MAJOR
Total Semester Credits	18		7-18	
Fourth Semester				
ECO 105, GOV 121, HIS 104, HIS 108	3	ECO 0530 Department Elective, or POS 2090 American Government, or HIS 1020 US History I; or HIS 1040 World History II	3	GENED
NUR 204 Professional Issues in Nursing	1		0-1	MAJOR
NUR 216 Nursing Science IV	4		0-4	MAJOR
NUR 218 Nursing Synthesis	2		0-2	MAJOR
PED Elective	1	PED 0530 Physical Ed. Elective	1	ELECTIVE
Total Semester Credits	11		11	Total Semester Credits
Degree total hours	64	Total credits available for *transfer: 60-64 (includes up to 30 NUR credits)	60-64	

*Transfer credits awarded will be based on student's previous completed coursework and grade earned: a transcript evaluation will be done and transfer credits will be assessed on a case by case basis.

Recommended Course Sequence at MSMC; this is not a prescriptive course sequence. Required courses will be determined upon transcript review and should be reviewed with your academic advisor.

MSMC Course	Credits	Comments/Notes
First Year: Semester One		
NUR 3006 Bridge to Foundations of Nursing Practice	3	For major
HLT 3041 Pharmacology for RN's	3	For major
CHM 1080 Nursing Chemistry	4	Required prior to registration in HLT 3011 Normal and Therapeutic Nutrition
PHL 1030 Introduction to Philosophy (3 credits in PHL required for GENED)	3	Recommended as prerequisite for PHL 3670 Medical Ethics
HISTORY (If not completed at DCCC)	3	GENED (3 credits HIS required for GENED)
Recommended credits for First Year Semester One	16	16 credits per semester
First Year: Semester Two		
NUR 3030 Pathophysiology for RN's	3	For major
HLT 3011 Normal and Therapeutic Nutrition For RNs	3	For major
CIT 1002 Online Computer Literacy	3	GENED
PHL 3670 Medical Ethics OR REL (3 credits PHL/REL required for GENED)	3	PHL 3670 Medical Ethics is required for BS in Nursing
Recommended credits for First Year Semester Two	12	12 credits per semester
Second Year: Summer Session		
NUR 2045 Physical Assessment for RN's	3	Low residency course
Second Year: Semester One		
NUR 4022 Community Health (10 week clinical)	4	For major
NUR 4212 RN Seminar: Adult Care NUR 4222 RN Seminar: Maternal-Child Health NUR 4233 RN Seminar: Mental Health Nursing	3	For major
MATH 2070 Elementary Statistics	3	For major: MSMC BS in Nursing requires MTH 2070 Elementary Statistics
ARTS & LETTERS: 3 ENG or CMA, or 3-6 ART, MUS, THR, LNG	3	
Liberal Arts Elective	3	GENED

Recommended credits for Second Year Semester One	19	19 credits per semester (includes Summer Session credits)
Second Year: Semester Two		
NUR 3001 Foundations of Nursing Research for RNs	3	For major
NUR 4061 Professional Nursing: Issues and Trends	4	For major
PHL 3670 Medical Ethics OR REL (3 credits PHL/REL required for GENED)	3	PHL 3670 Medical Ethics is required for BS in Nursing
ARTS & LETTERS: 3 ENG or CMA, or 3-6 ART, MUS, THR, LNG	3	GENED
Recommended credits for Second Year Semester Two	13	13 credits per semester
TOTAL MSMC Credits	60	
TRANSFER Credits	60 – 66	To be determined by transcript review
TOTAL Credits	120 - 126	120 credits required for graduation

TOPICS OF INTEREST TO PROSPECTIVE TRANSFERS

Majors at MSMC

With a focus in the liberal arts and sciences, Mount Saint Mary College offers diverse majors within the spectrum of the arts and sciences and also in professional fields, such as accounting, business, computer information technology and nursing; however, given its emphasis, it does not offer technical or occupational majors, which often do not require a comprehensive foundation in the liberal arts. That said most SUNY Dutchess A.A. and A.S. programs are compatible with MSMC majors. The full list of required coursework for each major is published in the *Undergraduate Catalog*. This articulation bulletin should be used conjointly with the catalog.

Transferring Credits to MSMC

In order for SUNY Dutchess credits to transfer to MSMC, the student must arrange for official transcripts of all college-level work to be sent to MSMC. Only credits applicable at MSMC will be accepted in transfer. In general, the following protocols apply with respect to transfer students from community colleges:

--A maximum of up to 66 credits are accepted from two-year institutions.

--Credits equivalent to the community college's requirements for the A.A or A.S degree (to a maximum of 66 credits) will be accepted only for grades of C or better. Any grade lower than C will not be accepted for any part of the maximum award, but may be applied to fill out the 60-credit minimum for credits accepted for transfer for students entering with an A.A. or A.S. Please note: a C+ is required in courses that meet MSMC nursing program and certification requirements.

For further information about the transferability of credits from community colleges, consult the MSMC *Undergraduate Catalog*.

MSMC offers a baccalaureate of science in nursing degree program for registered nurses (RNs) that graduated from an accredited nursing program. Each nurse must hold a valid RN license in the United States. The RN-BS program is provided as a hybrid program. There are 135 hours of clinical/preceptorship experiences in Community Nursing and professional development that is vital to the rigor and learning outcomes for any baccalaureate nursing program. These meet both NYS Dept. of Ed and CCNE requirements for accreditation. There is a three-day residency for Physical Assessment where the nurse will work with faculty and other nurses in the Learning Center on campus to hone their knowledge, skills and attitudes toward Physical and Health Assessment. On-campus housing will be available for a nominal fee for those who require it.

Other Viable Academic Experiences for Transfer

Service learning, independent study and special topics courses taken at SUNY Dutchess may not be taken for transfer or counted toward the major at MSMC. In these cases, MSMC relies upon its division chairpersons in the content area in which these academic experiences fall to make the determination of whether or not any of these options is transferable.

Comprehensiveness of this Articulation Bulletin

This bulletin does not substitute for the MSMC *Undergraduate Catalog*. This bulletin is intended only as a guide and handbook for the academic advisor and the student considering transfer to MSMC. It

contains only (a) those SUNY Dutchess courses for which there are equivalent courses at MSMC or (b) those courses for which (while there is no exact equivalent) credit may be awarded because the subject matter meets and subscribes to the general expectations and understanding of what constitutes a liberal arts and sciences course at MSMC. This latter type of course usually transfers into MSMC as either a *general or blanket elective* or, if appropriate to the major field, as an *elective in the major*. However, this is determined in a transcript review by MSMC's Registrar Office.

Requirements for the Baccalaureate Degree

Nursing students must attain a minimum grade of C in all natural science courses and C+ in NUR and HLT courses for the grade to apply toward nursing degree requirements. Please note that grades of C-, D+, D, or D- will not be accepted for transfer credit into the School of Nursing. In order to enter into the 2000 level nursing courses and above, as nursing majors, all students must complete all required courses in Anatomy and Physiology and Chemistry with a C or better and successfully pass PSY 1010 and SOC 1010.

Nursing students receiving less than the required grade of C in natural science course(s) and less than a C+ in NUR and HLT course(s) do not meet prerequisite requirements and must confer with their academic advisor and arrange to repeat appropriate course(s) as soon as possible.

Nursing students are permitted a maximum of one (1) NUR or HLT course repetition for the entire undergraduate nursing program. Any student who earns a grade of less than C+ (76 percent) in any NUR or HLT course may repeat the course one time. If the student earns a grade of less than C+ in a second NUR or HLT course, the student will be dismissed from the nursing program. Students who fail the clinical or college laboratory component of a required NUR course will receive a grade of F for the final grade.

MSMC Required Courses for RN to BS Nursing

Courses (all courses require a prerequisite of RN licensure)	Credits
PHL 3670 Medical Ethics required for BS in Nursing (prerequisite credits in Philosophy)	3
NUR 3006 Bridge to Foundations of Nursing Practice	3
NUR 4212 RN Seminar: Adult Care	1
NUR 4222 RN Seminar: Maternal-Child Health	1
NUR 4233 RN Seminar: Mental Health Nursing	1
NUR 3030 Pathophysiology for RN's	3
NUR 2045 Physical Assessment for RN's	3
HLT 3041 Pharmacology for RN's	3
NUR 4022 Community Health Nursing	4
HLT 3011 Normal and Therapeutic Nutrition for RN's	3
NUR 3001 Foundations of Nursing Research for RN's	3
NUR 4061 Professional Nursing: Issues & Trends for RN's	4
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General Education Curriculum Summary

MSMC General Education Requirement	Status for students transferring under this agreement
ENG 1010 College Writing I (required) 3 credits	Completed at DCC
ENG 1020 College Writing II (required) 3 credits	Completed at DCC
ENG or CMA course (0-3 credits required)	May be completed at Dutchess by courses in ENG numbered 200 or higher, or by courses in COM numbered 101 or higher.
ART, MUS, THR, GER, SPA, or ITA (3-6 credits required)	May be completed at Dutchess by courses in ART, MUS, THR, or any foreign language
9 credits total required in Natural Science and Math courses	
Laboratory Science (3 credits)	COMPLETED by BIO 131 Anatomy & Physiology I (4 credits)
Science or Math course (3 credits)	SCIENCE COMPLETED by BIO 132 Anatomy & Physiology II; MATH COMPLETED by MTH 2070 (3 credits) *See below under recommended course sequence.
Math course (3 credits)	MSMC BS in Nursing requires Elementary Statistics; may be completed at Dutchess
9 credits total required in Social Science courses	
History (3 credits required)	May be completed at Dutchess by HIS course
Other social sciences (6 credits)	COMPLETED by PSY 111 Psychological Principles and PSY 203 Developmental Psychology and BHS 103 Social Problems in Today's World
9 credits total required in Philosophy and Religion courses	
Philosophy or Religion (3 credits)	May be completed at Dutchess by PHL 107, PHL 201, or PHL 205
Philosophy course (3 credits)	PHL 3670 Medical Ethics required for BS in Nursing (Prerequisite: 3 credits of philosophy)
Religion course (3 credits)	3 credits in Religion are required at MSMC
Completion of Computer Literacy requirement: see below	

In addition, demonstration of minimum computer literacy is a requirement for all degree-seeking students. MSMC recommends that this requirement be completed within the first two years of study for traditional students and in the first year at MSMC for transfer students.

Computer literacy can be satisfied by:

Successful completion of CIT 1052 Computer Literacy (3 cr.)

Successful completion of CIT 1002 Online Computer Competency (3 cr.)

Successful passage of the college's Computer Literacy Test.*

Successful completion of MTH 1015 Investigating Contemporary Issues Using Mathematics and Technology (3 cr.)

SUNY Dutchess students may satisfy this requirement by completing CIS 111 Computer Systems and Applications.

* Note – the Computer Literacy Test may be taken only once. Students who do not pass this exam must satisfy the computer literacy requirement with one of the courses listed above.

[Time Required to Complete MSMC degree](#)

Most SUNY Dutchess transfers can expect to complete their MSMC degree in two years (4 semesters) of full-time study (15-16 credits per term); however, if a complete change of discipline or major is made, it may take longer to complete the degree.

[Availability of Financial Aid and Finances](#)

While the cost of your education will be higher at Mount Saint Mary College than at your community college, MSMC tuition is moderately priced in comparison to other private, four-year colleges. Grants and low interest loans provide ways to bridge the gap between two year and four year college costs. Eligible transfers may receive Pell grants and Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants (SEOG). Also available for students who qualify are federal student loans with very low rates of interest and a deferred repayment schedule, e.g. Stafford Loans. Students may also apply for Guaranteed Student loans insured by The State of New York and reinsured by the Federal Government. In addition, the College's work study program, depending upon need and availability of funds, provides jobs for students who need financial aid. Relevant information concerning financial aid is forwarded to the transfer student at the time of acceptance.