# NURSING

### **MAJOR MAP**



### WHO WE ARE

- Our program provides an excellent opportunity to be well prepared to take the NCLEX-RN licensing examination and to apply your nursing education to positions in hospitals, health care clinics, schools, businesses, and industry, or serve individual clients as you make a significant contribution to the healthcare services in your community.
- Our society is in need of skilled nursing professionals to serve our changing population. At TSU, you'll learn to intervene to meet patient and family needs under the direction of faculty members who are dedicated to your professional advancement.

#### **CAREER OUTCOMES:**

- Registered nurse--case manager
- Registered nurse-community health nurse
- · Registered nurse-nurse manager
- Registered nurse-hospital settings (specialties include but are not limited to medical/surgical nursing, pediatric nursing, obstetric and gynecological nursing, mental health nursing, gerontological nursing, intensive care nursing, cardiac nursing, and neurological nursing).
- Registered nurse--outpatient clinic settings (specialties include but are not limited to dialysis clinics, primary care clinics, weight loss clinics, infusion clinics, dermatology clinics, aesthetics clinics).

#### **AREAS OF STUDY:**

- BSN program options include the traditional
- BSN program for students who are seeking to become a registered nurse (RN) and the online RN-BSN program for students who are already RNs and who desire to obtain a BSN degree.



## What skills will students learn throughout this program?

- Provide high quality client care
- Provide holistic client care
- Provide ethical client care
- Provide culturally sensitive client care
- Manage and coordinate client care
- Engage in clinical decision-making
- Implement evidence-based practice and care
- Lead healthcare teams
- Collaborate with other healthcare professionals
- Communicate effectively
- Use of technology

## WHAT SKILLS ARE YOUR FUTURE EMPLOYERS LOOKING FOR?

- Clinical Competence
- Critical Thinking
- Empathy and Compassion
- Communicational Skills
- Technological Proficiency
- Ethical Decision-Making
- Patient Education
- Quality Improvement
- Research and Evidence-Based Practice
- Resilience
- Teamwork

For more information, click here https://www.tnstate.edu/nursing/

### Undergraduate Experiential Major Map: Nursing



#### **Think**

Engaging in critical thinking and inquiry inside the classroom.

#### Work

Pursue experiences that will allow you to grow as a leader and professional.

#### Serve

Explore opportunities to contribute to the broader community and global marketplace.

#### First Year/Freshman

- Complete your Handshake Profile.
- Complete your four-year educational plan in UNIV 1000 during the fall semester.
- Focus on your studies and earn good grades.
- Visit the Office of Student Success
   (OSS) and connect with your
   advisor for help navigating college
   life and your classes. Make an
   appointment using the student
   planner app and view the OSS page
   for other hours and services.
- First Generation students connect with your <u>First Generational</u>
   Specialist.
- Get to know professors. The best time to connect outside of class is during their office hours.
- Visit the <u>Academic Achievement</u> and <u>Retention Center</u> for access to study tips, connecting to academic coaches, tutoring, and other helpful resources.
- Attend the Career Fair (Sponsored by the <u>Career Development Center</u>)
- Get involved Attend organizational fairs, special/corporate events, and volunteer on and off campus.

#### Sophomore & Junior

- Update your resume and remove high school activities. Have it critiqued by the <u>Career</u> <u>Development Center</u>.
- Review and update LinkedIn and Handshake profiles.
- Attend the Career Fair (Sponsored by the <u>Career Development Center</u>)
- Explore graduate school options.
- Begin preparing for GRE, LSAT, MCAT, GMAT, and other exams for graduate school admissions.
- Begin building your professional wardrobe.
- Meet with your <u>departmental</u>
  <u>academic advisor</u> to confirm degree
  progress and discuss your future
  academic and career goals.
- Attend institutional and departmental internship workshops.

#### Senior

- Meet with your <u>departmental</u>
  <u>academic advisor</u> to confirm degree
  progress and discuss your future
  academic and career goals.
- Apply for <u>Graduate and Professional</u>
   <u>School</u> or jobs that fit your interests, skills, and career goals. Follow up on applications and keep a record of the status of each.

  \*pay attention to due dates
- Draft a cover letter that can be adapted for a variety of employers.
   Have it critiqued.
- Complete the Senior Exit Exam and First Destination Survey. (<u>Testing</u> <u>Center</u>)

### Academic Success Checklist

- Book an appointment with your academic advisor for pre-registration and advising.
- ☐ Discover library resources.
- □ Visit the math, reading, writing, and tutoring center.
- ☐ Complete FAFSA and academic scholarship applications.

### **Educational Planning Checklist**

- ☐ Ask your academic advisor about High Impact Practices
- ☐ Participate in at least two High Impact Practices at TSU
- ☐ Join a student group.

#### Career Development Checklist

- ☐ Create your HandShake Profile.
- ☐ Visit What Can I Do With This Major
- ☐ Attend the career fair to expand your network.
- ☐ Attend Academic Department workshops and seminars.