



What you need to know

**Concurrent Associate Degree
Associate & Baccalaureate
Degree Nursing Program**

INTRODUCTION

MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University (UIU) Associate-Baccalaureate Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP)

The MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP is a program offered through participating community colleges in the Maricopa Community College District and Upper Iowa University. A limited number of participants are selected from the pool of MaricopaNursing students who have met all MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP identified eligibility requirements and have applied to the MaricopaNursing Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP.

Did you know?

1. Maricopa and Upper Iowa University have created a Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP) for nursing students to obtain an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing and a Bachelor of Science (BSN) in Nursing within 1.5-2 semesters of AAS graduation.
2. The MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University CEP is an educational pathway partnership designed to assist in meeting the Institute of Medicine 2010 Future of Nursing goal to increase the percentage of BSN RNs to 80% in Arizona by 2020.
3. CEP students will be enrolled in Maricopa and Upper Iowa University classes concurrently.
4. Upper Iowa University CEP courses will be offered in a hybrid (select MaricopaNursing campuses only) or online format. Select courses may be offered face-to-face at the Upper Iowa University Mesa Center.
5. BSN-prepared nurses are highly valued by potential employers and MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University CEP graduates are equipped with the knowledge and skills of the new graduate baccalaureate prepared nurses.

ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for participation in the CEP, the following is required:

- Acceptance into the MaricopaNursing pool (queue).
- Completion of all MaricopaNursing prerequisite and co-requisite requirements.
- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher from all schools attended is required for admission to the UIU RN-BSN nursing major and CEP program.
- Attend a MaricopaNursing Associate-Baccalaureate CEP Information Session in person or online and complete a Declaration of Receipt of Information.

HYBRID AND ONLINE EXAMPLE

Hybrid (meets week 1,3,6 & 8)		Online
Personal Introductions		
Introduce self to peers and instructor through an in-class activity.	Create and post a video introducing self to class peers and instructor.	
Discussion		
Come to class prepared for discussion and address all questions related to assigned discussion topic. Discuss with peers in class and obtain grade utilizing classroom participation rubric.	Complete research and write discussion post addressing all questions prior to Wednesday. Per the discussion rubric post on peers threads and answer all posts to main thread prior to end of week , Sunday evening.	
Group Assignment		
Time in class dedicated to meet group members, organize and work on group assignment.	All group work completed online.	
Classroom Learning		
Interactive learning of concepts and strengthening knowledge related to current week content. For example, role-play the immune system to better understand immunity at a cellular level.	N/A as all learning is completed on own.	



REQUIRED PRE AND CO-REQUISITES

MaricopaNursing Prerequisites and Co-requisites	UIU Additional Requirements
BIO 156/181 or one year of high school biology	UIU has no additional prerequisite courses required prior to acceptance to CEP.
First Year Composition (ENG 101 & ENG 102) or (ENG 107 & ENG 108)*	
Critical Reading (CRE 101) or test exempt	
Chemistry (CHM 130, CHM 130LL) or HS Chemistry	
College Math (MAT 140 or higher)*	
Introduction to Psychology (PSY 101) or Human Growth and Development (PSY 240)*	
Human Anatomy & Physiology I and II (BIO 201; BIO 202)*	
Microbiology (BIO 205)	
Humanities Elective (at least 2 credits)*	

*Courses used for Maricopa Application/Rubric GPA Calculation

Please Note: If you did not take MAT140, the college level MATH course with the highest grade will be used for calculation.

KEY INFORMATION

- Students must be accepted into the MaricopaNursing pool (queue) to be eligible for the program.
- All students must complete both MaricopaNursing pre- and co- requisites as noted above. Repeated coursework will be accepted for prerequisite courses.
- GPA used for Maricopa placement rubric is calculated using the pre- and co- requisite courses as noted in the table above.
- To ensure that pre- and co-requisites meet program requirements, students are encouraged to meet with a MCCCCD nursing advisor.
- Completed CEP applications must be submitted to the Maricopa Campus of first choice for admission. The application must include ALL UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS from any college or university previously attended. Transfer guides will not be accepted.
- MCCCCD and UIU admissions personnel will make final determinations of transfer credits to their respective institutions.

HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

MaricopaNursing and Upper Iowa University have Health and Safety Requirements that must be met prior to enrolling and participating in any clinical experiences. Healthcare agencies throughout the state require vaccinations, titers, and other healthcare related requirements (examples of these requirements are background checks, CPR, drug and nicotine testing, etc.) These requirements are subject to change per healthcare agency contracts with the educational institution. Students must be compliant with agency requirements prior to and throughout the program.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

MaricopaNursing/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate CEP

Who can apply to the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate Concurrent Enrollment Program?

All students who have completed the eligibility requirements for the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP are eligible to apply.

Where does the program take place?

The MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP is offered with all MaricopaNursing campuses. The hybrid track UIU classes are scheduled at the UIU Mesa Center, convenient for those living or attending classes within commuting distance. A completely online track is available and works well for students outside a commuting distance. The UIU online format is 100% online.

Is there a waiting list for the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP?

There is no waiting list for the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP. If you are not accepted into the program for the semester to which you applied, you must reapply for consideration in a subsequent application cycle.

Do I have to attend a MaricopaNursing CEP Information Session?

Students must complete an Information Session, either in person or online. Students completing the online information session option are required to complete a Declaration of Receipt of Information, linked on the MaricopaNursing CEP website, indicating you have reviewed and understand CEP information. Attending an in-person information session is encouraged but not mandatory. Check your student status page for future locations, dates, times, and registration instructions.

How do I apply?

Please see your MaricopaNursing advisor for requirements. All applications must be submitted to the MaricopaNursing campus of first choice for admission.

What do you look for in potential candidates that are applying to the MaricopaNursing/ Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP?

Student selection will be based on pre- and co-requisite GPA, HESI A2 scores, and prior baccalaureate or higher degrees. UIU requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 from all schools attended for admission to the UIU nursing major and CEP program.

If I am not selected for the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University CEP, can I reapply?

As long as you meet the current CEP requirements, you are eligible to reapply.

Do I need to be admitted to the MaricopaNursing pool and to Upper Iowa University?

Yes. To be eligible to apply for the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP, you must be in the MaricopaNursing applicant pool. Following acceptance into the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP, you will apply to Upper Iowa University, and official transcripts from all educational institutions attended must then be submitted to both the MaricopaNursing college location you will attend and to Upper Iowa University. All official transcripts will be used to calculate admission GPA to the UIU nursing program.

If I will not be finished with all of my prerequisite and co-requisite courses the semester before I plan to start the program, can I still apply for the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP?

To be eligible to submit an application, all MaricopaNursing prerequisite and co-requisite courses must be completed.

How much does the MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP cost?

Tuition costs for the 36 credits of MaricopaNursing AAS courses = approximately \$3,000. Textbooks, supplies and course fees are additional.

Tuition costs for Upper Iowa University, can be found online at <https://uiu.edu/future/annual-costs.html>.

If I am receiving financial aid, how will it be disbursed between the two schools?

Because federal regulations require that financial aid can only be disbursed through one college at a time, you will need to apply for financial aid through Upper Iowa University and complete and sign a consortium agreement for financial aid disbursement. Although the financial aid between the two programs is designed to work seamlessly, this cannot be guaranteed, so there may be times when you will be asked to pay your MaricopaNursing program tuition before you receive your Upper Iowa University financial aid check. You will need to be prepared to pay your MaricopaNursing program tuition out of pocket or by payment plan until the balance of your financial aid is disbursed by Upper Iowa University. In addition, there may be times you will have to pay UIU tuition out of pocket or by payment plan. See UIU advisor for more information.

How are classes scheduled?

You will be registered for your MaricopaNursing classes through the community college nursing department. Course schedules will be posted online or sent to you. Upper Iowa University nursing courses are hybrid or online, and schedules will be communicated through your Upper Iowa University Academic Advisor and/or email announcements.

When do Upper Iowa University classes start?

Fall and Spring Progressions vary. Your UIU advisor will work with you on an individual basis for advisement and review of applicable progression plan upon acceptance and admission.

Where do I go for academic advisement for this program?

Maricopa and Upper Iowa University advisors are available for pre-application advisement at Maricopa locations and Upper Iowa University. Please reach out to Patricia Klein for UIU questions at any time.

Am I required to have a separate CastleBranch profile for both UIU and Maricopa?

Yes, you will need a profile that includes clinical requirements for each program. Please wait for further instruction upon admission.

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MARICOPA-UIU ASSOCIATE-BACCALAUREATE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT NURSING PROGRAM

Course of Study: Fall Entry, Effective 2017

The plan of study for fall entry into the nursing program is outlined below and must be followed without deviation. In the event that modification of this course of study is absolutely necessary, approval by the Concurrent Program advisor is required. To maintain your status as a Concurrent Program student, you must be enrolled in a UIU course every semester as noted below.

Courses		Fall Entry	Credits
CEP Acceptance: UIU courses to be completed prior to MaricopaNursing Entry			Total: 6
Session5*	(UIU) MATH 220	Elementary Statistics	3 credits
Session6*	(UIU) NUR 301	Logic and Reasoning in Nursing**	3 credits
Semester 1		Fall	Total: 12
	(MN) NUR 152	Nursing Theory and Science I	9 credits
Session1*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during first half of MN block 1)	
Session2*	(UIU) NUR 305	Professional Communication for Nurses	3 credits
Semester 2		Spring	Total: 12
	(MN) NUR 172	Nursing Theory and Science II	9 credits
Session3*	(UIU) NUR 315	Professional Nursing Practice	3 credits
Session4*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during second half of MN block 2)	
Semester 3		Summer	Total: 6-8
Session5*	(UIU) NUR 325	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care I	4 credits
Session6*	(UIU) NUR xxx	Nursing Elective(s)	2-4 credits
Semester 4		Fall	Total: 13
	(MN) NUR 252	Nursing Theory and Science III	9 credits
Session1*	(UIU) NUR 335	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care II	4 credits
Session2*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during second half of MN block 3)	
Semester 5		Spring	Total: 12
	(MN) NUR 283	Nursing Theory and Science IV	9 credits
Session3*	(UIU) NUR 400	Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	3 credits
Session4*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during second half of MN block 4)	
Graduate from MaricopaNursing with AAS degree; take and pass NCLEX-RN prior to enrolling in practicum courses			
Semester 6		Summer	Total: 3-7
Session5*	(UIU) NUR 420	Nursing Leadership and Management	3 credits
Session6*	(UIU) Choice	Elective Option(s)**	2-4 credits
Semester 7		Fall	Total: 8-12
Session1*	(UIU) NUR 340	Community Health Nursing***	4 credits
	(UIU) NUR 450	Nursing Concepts Capstone I***	2 credits
Session2*	(UIU) NUR 455	Nursing Concepts Capstone II***	2 credits
	(UIU) Choice	Elective Option(s)**	2-4 credits

*UIU Sessions 1-5 are 8 weeks long, Session 6 is 6 weeks long.

**Or hold a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited school

***Must hold RN license to be eligible to participate in these courses

MARICOPA-UIU ASSOCIATE-BACCALAUREATE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT NURSING PROGRAM

Course of Study: Spring Entry, Effective 2018

The plan of study for spring entry into the nursing program is outlined below and must be followed without deviation. In the event that modification of this course of study is absolutely necessary, approval by the Concurrent Program advisor is required. To maintain your status as a Concurrent Program student, you must be enrolled in a UIU course every semester as noted below.

Courses		Spring Entry	Credits
Semester 1		Spring	Total: 15
	(MN) NUR 152	Nursing Theory and Science I	9 credits
Session3*	(UIU) NUR 301	Logic and Reasoning in Nursing **	3 credits
Session4*	(UIU) NUR 305	Professional Communication for Nurses	3 credits
Semester 2		Summer	Total: 6
Session5*	(UIU) MATH 220	Elementary Statistics	3 credits
Session6*	(UIU) NUR 315	Professional Nursing Practice	3 credits
Semester 3		Fall	Total: 9-13
	(MN) NUR 172	Nursing Theory and Science II	9 credits
Session1*	(UIU) NURxxx	Nursing Elective(s)	2-4 credits
Session2*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during second half of MN block 2)	
Semester 4		Spring	Total: 13
	(MN) NUR 252	Nursing Theory and Science III	9 credits
Session3*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during first half of MN block 3)	
Session4*	(UIU) NUR 325	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care I	4 credits
Semester 5		Summer	Total: 6-8
Session5*	(UIU) NUR 335	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care II	4 credits
Session6*	(UIU) NUR xxx	Nursing Elective	2-4 credits
Semester 6		Fall	Total: 12
	(MN) NUR 283	Nursing Theory and Science IV	9 credits
Session1*	(UIU)	(No UIU course planned during first half of MN block 4)	
Session2*	(UIU) NUR 400	Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	3 credits
Graduate from MaricopaNursing with AAS degree; take and pass NCLEX-RN prior to enrolling in practicum courses			
Semester 7		Spring	Total: 9
Session3*	(UIU) NUR 420	Nursing Leadership and Management	3 credits
Session4*	(UIU) NUR 340	Community Health Nursing***	4 credits
	(UIU) NUR 450	Nursing Concepts Capstone I***	2 credits
Semester 8		Summer	Total: 2-6
Session5*	(UIU) NUR 455	Nursing Concepts Capstone II***	2 credits
	(UIU) Choice	Elective Option(s)**	2-4 credits

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STEPS TO SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF MARICOPA- UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATE-BACCALAUREATE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT (CEP) PROGRAM

Step 1	Student wants to pursue MaricopaNursing/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP).
Step 2	Student is referred to advisement regarding course requirements for an associate's degree from MaricopaNursing, and for the BSN to an advisor for Upper Iowa University.
Step 3	Student applies to and is accepted into the MaricopaNursing pool (queue).
Step 4	Student attends MaricopaNursing Associate-Baccalaureate CEP Information Session and completes Declaration of Receipt of Information.
Step 5	Student submits admission checklist, CEP application, HESI A2 scores, and unofficial transcripts from all educational institutions attended to their MaricopaNursing program of first choice.
Step 6	Associate-Baccalaureate CEP Acceptance Committee reviews applications and selects applicants for admission into Maricopa- Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP for upcoming semester.
Step 7	Applicants selected for placement are notified of application status by MaricopaNursing and accept/refuse placement.
Step 8	Accepted students apply to Upper Iowa University Undergraduate Admissions.
Step 9	Student begins Maricopa-Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate CEP.
Step 10	Student graduates with Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing from MCCCCD; eligible to take NCLEX-RN licensure exam.
Step 11	Student takes NCLEX-RN to obtain registered nurse licensure.
Step 12	Student completes final credits of Upper Iowa University BSN courses and graduates with BSN

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