

**Nursing**

Campus: Hibbing

**AS Degree | 64 credits**

| <b>FIRST YEAR</b>                         |                                                              |                |                      |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| <b>SUMMER SEMESTER 2025 – 8 Credits</b>   |                                                              | <b>CREDITS</b> | <b>LEC/LAB HOURS</b> |
| BIOL 2371                                 | Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 (MnTC 3)                      | 4              | 3/2                  |
| ENGL 1231                                 | College Composition 1 (MnTC 1)                               | 4              | 4/0                  |
| Completion of a Nursing Assistant course  |                                                              |                |                      |
| <b>FALL SEMESTER 2025 – 13-14 Credits</b> |                                                              |                |                      |
| NURS 0950 ^                               | Essential Mathematics for Nurses (test-out option available) | 1              | 1/0                  |
| NURS 1250                                 | Foundations of Nursing                                       | 8              | 6/6                  |
| HLTH 1520                                 | Applied Nutrition                                            | 2              | 2/0                  |
| PSYC 1215                                 | General Psychology (MnTC 5 and 7)                            | 3              | 3/0                  |
| <b>SPRING SEMESTER 2026 – 15 Credits</b>  |                                                              |                |                      |
| NURS 1350                                 | Care of the Client Affected by Chronic Stressors             | 8              | 6/6                  |
| BIOL 2372                                 | Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 (MnTC 3)                      | 4              | 3/3                  |
| PSYC 1220                                 | Lifespan Development (MnTC 5 and 7)                          | 3              | 3/0                  |
| <b>SUMMER SEMESTER 2026 – 3 Credits</b>   |                                                              |                |                      |
| BIOL 1320                                 | Introduction to Microbiology (MnTC 3)                        | 3              | 2/2                  |

**NOTE: All above courses must be completed before entering the second year of the program.**

| <b>SECOND YEAR</b>                          |                                                  |   |        |
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| <b>FALL SEMESTER 2026 – 12 Credits</b>      |                                                  |   |        |
| NURS 2050                                   | Care of Women and Children                       | 4 | 3/3    |
| NURS 2150                                   | Care of the Client Affected by Acute Stressors   | 5 | 3/6    |
| PHIL 1230                                   | Ethics (MnTC 6-T/A and 9)                        | 3 | 3/0    |
| <b>SPRING SEMESTER 2027 – 13 Credits</b>    |                                                  |   |        |
| NURS 2250                                   | Care of the Client Affected by Complex Stressors | 6 | 4/6    |
| NURS 2350                                   | Foundations of Leadership                        | 1 | .5/1.5 |
| Social Science Course (see below)           |                                                  | 3 | 3/0    |
| Additional Communication Course (see below) |                                                  | 3 | 3/0    |

**Social Science Course - 3 credits each**

ANTH 1215 Cultural Anthropology (MnTC 5 and 8)  
 PSYC 2216 Abnormal Psychology (MnTC 5 and 7)  
 SOC 1200 Introduction to Sociology (MnTC 5 and 7)  
 SOC 1210 Social Problems (MnTC 5 and 8)  
 SOC 1215 Marriage and Family (MnTC 5 and 7)  
 SOC 2225 Race and Ethnicity (MnTC 5 and 7)  
 SOC 2245 Sociology of Sexuality and Gender (MnTC 5 and 7)  
 SOC 2255 Aging (MnTC 5 and 9)

**Communication Course - 3 credits each**

ENGL 1232 College Composition 2 (MnTC 1)  
 ENGL 1240 Technical Report Writing (MnTC 1)  
 COMM 1210 Introduction to Comm (MnTC 1)  
 COMM 1215 Public Speaking (MnTC 1)  
 COMM 1220 Interpersonal Comm (MnTC 1)  
 COMM 1225 Intercultural Comm (MnTC 1 and 7)  
 COMM 1230 Small Group Comm (MnTC 1)

The above stated required nursing and non-nursing courses total 64 credits (32 nursing, 32 non-nursing).

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

Minnesota North College offers an Associate in Science Degree in nursing. Traditional students and advance standing LPNs are accepted. Clinical experiences are provided in area community hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, and other community-based health care agencies.

**OPTIONAL NURSING ELECTIVES**

NURS 1755 Clinical Simulation in Nursing, 1 cr.  
 NURS 1950 Nursing Internship, 1 cr.  
 NURS 2900 Transition to Practice Essentials, 1 cr.  
 NURS 2902 Cultural Diversity in Health Care, 2 cr.

### PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion of the Nursing AS Degree, the graduate will be able to:

1. Professional Behaviors. Apply the nursing process in providing wholistic care while demonstrating professional behavior that reflects integrity, accountability, responsibility, and ethical nursing practice. Safety. Apply the nursing process in providing wholistic care while minimizing risk of harm to patients through system effectiveness and individual performance.
2. Evidence-Based Practice. Apply the nursing process in providing wholistic care while integrating best current evidence with clinical expertise and patient/family preferences and values for delivery of optimal health care.
3. Patient-Centered Care. Apply the nursing process in providing wholistic care while providing compassionate care that is respectful to patient preference, values, and needs which guides all clinical decisions.
4. Teamwork and Collaboration. Apply the nursing process in providing wholistic care while participating effectively with members of the inter-professional team to achieve quality patient care.
5. Nursing Judgements. Apply the nursing process in providing wholistic care while making judgements in practice substantiated with evidence, utilizing informatics to provide safe, quality care to patients and their families.

### ACCREDITATION

Minnesota North College's (AD) nursing program is approved by the Minnesota Board of Nursing and is accredited by the: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN). The program received initial accreditation in 2012 and has been accredited since that time. The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the Associate Degree nursing program is continuing accreditation.

### ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

- Articulation agreements with all Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

### PROGRAM NOTES

- ^ NURS 0950: Must pass with a 78% or better exam average and 80% overall for progression to NURS 1350.
- Students must pass all nursing and required non-nursing courses with a grade of "C" or better.
- [Differential tuition is assessed for the NURS courses.](#)
- Suggested course rotation for students taking all non-nursing courses before entering the program:
  - Fall Semester – 16 credits
    - ENGL 1231 English Composition 1
    - BIOL 2371 Human Anatomy and Physiology 1
    - HLTH 1520 Applied Nutrition
    - PSYC 1215 General Psychology
    - Social Science or Communication Elective
  - Spring Semester – 16 credits
    - BIOL 2372 Human Anatomy and Physiology 2
    - BIOL 1320 Introduction to Microbiology
    - PHIL 1230 Ethics
    - PSYC 1220 Lifespan Development
    - Social Science or Communication Elective
  - Spring or Summer Semester – 4 credits
    - NAHA 1100 Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Those students who successfully complete the nursing and general education graduation requirements of this program are eligible to apply for licensure and apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). Graduates are prepared for entry level positions in hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies and clinics. Employment prospects for registered nurses is excellent.

### PROGRAM FACULTY

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