



**University of New Mexico-Taos
Associate of Science in Nursing**

UNM-Taos reserves the right to make necessary changes as needed.

The Associate of Science in Nursing is a two-year course of study after the completion of prerequisite courses. Upon completion of the program, students will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nursing (NCLEX-RN). Student selection, application and cost information are available on the UNM-Taos website listed under the School of Nursing.

In 2016, UNM-Taos adopted the New Mexico Nursing Education Consortium (NMNEC) statewide curriculum, allowing for seamless articulation between associate and bachelor degrees in nursing at participating NMNEC schools (www.nmnec.org). Students at UNM-Taos are admitted into either the associate degree or the dual associate/bachelor degree program.

Nursing students receive a state-of-the art, well rounded, hands on education which prepares students for beginning nursing practice in a variety of health care settings. The program admits 16 students every two (2) years. With a small class size, there is personal attention from highly educated and experienced Nursing faculty. Clinical rotations are at Holy Cross Hospital and 16 other clinical sites in the surrounding area.

The UNM-Taos School of Nursing has full approval by the New Mexico Board of Nursing. The UNM-Taos program is nationally accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing.

<p>PREREQUISITES</p> <p>English Composition I (<i>ENGL 1110 OR 1110Y OR 1110Z</i>) (3-4) English Composition II (<i>ENGL 1120</i>) (3) Intermediate Algebra (<i>MATH 101/102/103 or MATH 1215</i>) or proficiency (3) Biology for Health Sciences with Lab (<i>BIOL 1140/1140L</i>) (4) General Chemistry with Lab (<i>CHEM 1120 or CHEM 1215/1215L</i>) (4) General Psychology (<i>PSYC 1110</i>) (3) Lifespan Development (<i>PSYC 2120 or NURS 224</i>) (3) Human Anatomy & Physiology I with lab (<i>BIOL 2210/2210L</i>)* (4) Human Anatomy & Physiology II with lab (<i>BIOL 2225/2225L</i>)** (4) Pathophysiology (<i>HCHS 200</i>)** (4) * Prerequisites: Math 1215, Chemistry 1120 or 1215/1215L, & Biology 1140/1140L ** Prerequisite: BIOL 2210/2210L</p>	<p align="center">35-36 credit hours</p> <p align="center">3 or 4 3 3 4 4 3 3 4 4 4</p>
<p>NURSING CURRICULUM</p> <p>Level 1 (First Semester) Introduction to Nursing Concepts (<i>NMNC 1110</i>) Principles of Nursing Practice (<i>NMNC 1135</i>)</p>	<p align="center">7 credit hours</p> <p align="center">3 4</p>
<p>Level 2 (Second Semester) Health and Illness Concepts I (<i>NMNC 1210</i>) Health Care Participant (<i>NMNC 1220</i>) Assessment and Health Promotion (<i>NMNC 1235</i>)</p>	<p align="center">13 credit hours</p> <p align="center">3 3 4</p>

Nursing Pharmacology (NMNC 1230)	3
Level 3 (Third Semester) Health and Illness Concepts II (NMNC 2310) Professional Nursing Concepts I (NMNC 2320) Care of Patients with Chronic Conditions (NMNC 2335)	10 credit hours 3 3 4
Level 4 (Fourth Semester) Health and Illness Concepts III (NMNC 2410) Clinical Intensive I (NMNC 2435) ADN Capstone (NMNC 2445)	9 credit hours 3 4 2

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 74

Admissions and General Education Requirements

It is a requirement to work with an Academic Advisor to ensure proper preparation for applying to the School of Nursing. Please call 575-737-6225 or email an Advisor at taosadvise@unm.edu.

Application Requirements

- Cover letter
- Current resume
- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Certificate within the last five years
- ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS – Nursing admission test) exam results
A benchmark score of 58.7% is the minimum total adjusted score to qualify to apply. The student may take the test a maximum of two (2) times per year. Practice test, specific testing information and study book are available at www.atitesting.com.
- Current American Heart Association, Basic Life Support (BLS) card
- Official high school transcript or high school equivalency (HiSET)
- Official transcripts from all colleges attended (except UNM-Taos)
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam for ESL students Contact UNM-Taos Student Services for information.
- Math proficiency must be established by successfully passing Math 101/102/103, Math 120, or taking the CompassTest with a passing score. Contact Nursing Advisor for details.

General Requirements

- Computer literacy
- Fingerprinting, background check, and drug screening upon program acceptance
- Physical examination, current immunizations, and proof of Health Insurance upon program acceptance

Completing the admission requirements makes the applicant eligible to apply to the UNM-Taos competitive ADN Nursing Program, but does not assure admission.

****In addition to tuition, there is a \$4,000 Program fee associated with this program. The fee is paid in semesterly installments of \$1,000.**