

# Associate in Arts Degrees

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## AA in Pre-Nursing

*Note: The Associate in Arts degree is open only to Washington University employees and partner program students.*

The Associate in Arts (AA) in Pre-Nursing provides the opportunity for students to complete the prerequisites required to continue on to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program while earning an associate's degree. The pre-nursing curriculum provides students with an ideal foundation for their professional studies: strong communication skills, practical analytical and problem-solving abilities, an appreciation for complex ethical questions, and an introduction to human sciences. Students who complete this course sequence will be well equipped to continue on to a variety of clinical nursing (BSN) programs. Students should consult the requirements of the BSN program they wish to attend to ensure that any specific requirements are met.

The courses completed for the Associate in Arts degree will count toward all Bachelor of Science degree programs at the School of Continuing & Professional Studies (CAPS), if pre-nursing students opt to continue their studies at CAPS.

Students interested in completing only the prerequisites for nursing schools without earning the AA should apply to our Pre-Nursing Program.

The AA in Pre-Nursing is available fully online.

**Note:** Students in the AA in Pre-Nursing program fulfill the same general education requirements as students in the AA degree program but with some preselected courses.

**Basic Requirements:** 15 units

Code	Title	Units
EComp 111	Analytical Writing	3
EComp 203	Critical and Researched Writing	3
One course in numerical applications:		3
Math 1011 or Math 205	Introduction to Statistics Applied Statistics	
One course in moral reasoning		3
One course in cultural diversity		3
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>15</b>

**Distribution Requirements:** 18 units

Students must complete 6 units in each distribution area noted below. Each distribution area must include course work from at least two disciplines unless otherwise noted. (Courses that satisfy the numerical applications, moral reasoning, and cultural diversity Basic Requirements may also count toward the Distribution Requirements.)

- Natural Sciences and Mathematics
- Social Sciences:

Code	Title	Units
Psych 100	Introduction to Psychology	3
Psych 230	Human Growth and Development	3
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>6</b>

- Humanities — must include one of the following:

Code	Title	Units
Comm 217 or Comm 2111	Oral Communication Introduction to Public Speaking	3

**Concentration Requirements:** 18 units

Code	Title	Units
Bio 1001	Concepts in Biology	3
Bio 204	Nutrition	3
Bio 220	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
Bio 240	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Bio 280	Microbiology for Health Professions	4
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>18</b>

**Electives:** 9 units

- Humanities elective (3 units)
- Social Science elective (3 units)
- General elective (3 units)

*This program is offered either mostly or fully online. Students entering the U.S. on an F-1 or J-1 Visa must enroll in a program full time. F-1 students are only permitted to enroll in one online course per semester and J-1 students may only enroll in non-credit online courses that do not count toward their degree program. The School of Continuing & Professional Studies (CAPS) cannot guarantee face-to-face enrollment options each semester of full time enrollment, therefore cannot issue an I-20 or DS 2019 to F-1 and J-1 students for this program. If you are an F-1 or J-1 student and wish to enroll in a CAPS program while here on a Visa, please contact our recruitment team to discuss your options for face-to-face program enrollment. F-1 and J-1 students should not enroll in online courses or programs without first consulting the university's Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS).*