Bachelor of Science in
Nursing

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The goal of the program is to cultivate life-long learners and innovative healthcare professionals who will provide comprehensive nursing care across all levels of the health system. Graduates will be equipped to deliver ethical, culturally competent, and evidence-based nursing services; engage in critical inquiry and research; assume leadership roles in nursing education and administration; and actively contribute to global health initiatives. The program emphasizes the development of critical thinking skills, social responsibility, and a commitment to continuous professional growth, preparing graduates to adapt to evolving healthcare challenges and make meaningful contributions to their communities and the nursing profession worldwide.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the program, the students will be able to:

1. Integrate knowledge, behavioral skills, and a compassionate attitude in delivering patient-centered nursing care across diverse healthcare settings.
2. Participate in decision making on health service delivery in varied global settings based on comprehensive health assessment.
3. Provide ethical and evidence-based nursing care to individuals, families, and communities.
4. Manage promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative health services in varied global settings
5. Design and implement nursing training curricula within an acceptable professional, legal, and ethical framework.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS 240 UNITS

GENERAL EDUCATION 39 UNITS

SIGNATURE COURSES 15 UNITS

STRATEGIES FOR UNIVERSITY SUCCESS 3 UNITS

SUS 1010 Strategies for University Success

RESEARCH METHODS 3 UNITS

GRM 2000 Introduction to Research Methods

COMMUNITY SERVICE OR COMMUNITY PROJECT 3 UNITS

CMS 3700 Community Service

THE SENIOR EXPERIENCE 3 UNITS

SEN 4800 Integrated Senior Seminar

FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION LITERACY 3 UNITS

FIL 1010 Fundamentals of Information Literacy

LANGUAGE STUDIES 12 UNITS

ENGLISH LANGUAGE 6 UNITS

ENG 1106 Composition I (WI)
ENG 2206 Composition II (WI)

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 6 UNITS

Students must have credit for a foreign language or must take up to a two-course foreign language sequence of one language.
USIU-Africa offers courses in Arabic (ARB1000), French (FRN1000), Japanese (JPN1000), Spanish (SPN1000), Swahili (SWA1000), Chinese (CHI1000) and Kenya Sign Language (KSL1000).

DISCIPLINARY GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVES 6 UNITS

IST 1010 Introduction to Information Systems
MTH 1109 College Algebra

SCHOOL-BASED GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVES 6 UNITS

Students are required to pick 2 electives from the other Schools.

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES - LOWER LEVEL ELECTIVES (Choose either)

SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology

CHANDARIA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

ENT 1010 Introduction to Entrepreneurship
MGT 3010 Overview of Management Practices

CORE COURSES — 201 UNITS

LOWER LEVEL CORE COURSES — 110 UNITS

BST	1010	Introduction to Biostatistics	3 Units
EPI	1000	Introduction to Epidemiology	3 Units
HAN	1211	Human Anatomy I (Histology and embryology)	4.5 Units
PHY	1212	Medical Physiology I (Body systems)	3 Units
HAN	1221	Human Anatomy II (Head and neck)	4.5 Units
PHY	1222	Medical Physiology II (Endocrine, reproductive and urinary system)	4.5 Units
BCM	1223	Medical Biochemistry I (Biomolecules)	3 Units
HAN	1231	Human Anatomy III (gross anatomy)	4.5 Units
PHY	1232	Medical Physiology III (CVS, respiratory system)	3 Units
BCM	1233	Medical Biochemistry II (Metabolism)	3 Units
NUR	1313	Professionalism and Nursing theories	3 Units
NUR	1314	Counseling and communication	3 Units
NUR	1321	Fundamental of nursing practice	4.5 Units
NUR	1322	Nutrition and Health	3 Units
PHM	1336	Clinical Pharmacology I (General pharmacology, Nervous, GIT and anti-infective pharmacology)	3 Units
SOS	2207	Medical sociology and Anthropology	3 Units
BCM	2216	Clinical Chemistry and Hematology	4.5 Units
NUR	2311	Health assessment	4.5 Units
PHM	2312	Clinical Pharmacology II (Respiratory, CVS, chemotherapy drugs pharmacology)	3 Units
NUR	2313	Medical surgical Nursing I (respiratory, CVS, and hematologic disorders)	3 Units
NUR	2314	Midwifery I (Introduction to Midwifery and Pregnancy)	3 Units
NUR	2322	Community Health Nursing I (health care delivery system, Health education, Family health, immunization)	3 Units
NUR	2323	Medical surgical Nursing II (Nervous system, GIT, and endocrine disorder)	4.5 Units
NUR	2324	Sexual and reproductive health	3 Units
NUR	2326	Midwifery II (Labour, Delivery, Obstetric emergencies)	4.5 Units
CNP	2331	Medical and surgical Clinical Placement I	9 Units
CNP	2332	Midwifery Clinical Placement I	5 Units
MIC	2365	Medical Bacteriology and Mycology	4.5 Units
MIC	2362	Virology and Immunology	3 Units

UPPER LEVEL CORE COURSES — 112.5 UNITS

PHM	3112	Clinical Pharmacology III (Respiratory, CVS, chemotherapy drugs pharmacology)	3 Units
MIC	3267	Medical Parasitology and Entomology	4.5 Units
NUR	3311	Communicable and vector borne diseases	3 Units
NUR	3312	Midwifery III (Puerperium and Newborn)	4.5 Units
NUR	3313	Community Health Nursing II (Communicable diseases)	3 Units
NUR	3314	Pediatric nursing	3 Units
NUR	3316	Gynecological Nursing	3 Units

NUR	3317	Medical Surgical Nursing III (Integumentary, musculoskeletal and reproductive disorders)	3 Units
CNP	3321	Pediatric Ward Clinical placement	4 Units
CNP	3322	Medical and surgical Clinical Placement II	4 Units
CNP	3323	Midwifery Clinical Placement II	4.5 Units
CNP	3331	Midwifery Clinical Placement III	4.5 Units
CNP	3332	Community health Placement	8 Units
GNP	3333	Global Nursing Practice II	3 Units
PAT	3371	Human Pathology	3 Units
HSC	3395	Environment and occupational health	3 Units
NUR	4311	Medical surgical (specialties) I (special senses)	4.5 Units
NUR	4312	Medical surgical (specialties) II (Acute care nursing)	3 Units
NUR	4313	Medical surgical (specialties) III (Palliative, oncology, gerontology and forensic nursing)	3 Units
NUR	4314	Mental health and Psychiatric Nursing	3 Units
NUR	4315	Leadership and Management in Nursing	3 Units
NUR	4316	Curriculum and Instruction in nursing	3 Units
NUR	4317	Research Proposal	3 Units
CNP	4321	Medical Surgical specialties Clinical Placement	12 Units
NUR	4322	Research Report	3 Units
CNP	4331	Teaching Practice	4 Units
CNP	4332	Mental Health Nursing clinical placement	4 Units
CNP	4333	Ward unit leadership Management and governance	3 Units

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can pursue diverse careers, including becoming a Registered Nurse (RN) providing direct patient care in hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, and community health centers.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- **KCSE:** Mean grade of C+ (plus) or its equivalent and passed the cluster subject as indicated below:

Alternative A	Alternative B
Biology C+	Biological Sciences C+
Chemistry C+	Physical Sciences C+
Mathematics or Physics C+	Mathematics C+
English or Kiswahili C+	English or Kiswahili C+

- **A-level:** Principal passes in Biology and Chemistry and a subsidiary pass either in physics or Mathematics.

- **Diploma in Nursing:** Diploma in Nursing holders from a recognized medical training institution or its equivalent and must have been licensed by the Nursing Council of Kenya.

- **Holders of a degree in Biological Sciences** or equivalent from a recognized university.

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