

Professional Nursing Program 2025-2026

COURSE TITLE: Introduction to Professional Nursing

COURSE NUMBER:

- 1. Nursing 1700** – Introduction of Professional Nursing, University of Central Missouri, 1 credit hour
- 2. Nursing 2710**– Intro Nursing Applications Across the Lifespan, University of Central Missouri, 1 credit hour
- 3. Nursing 2000** –E-Health and Cyber Wellness, University of Central Missouri, 2 credit hours
- 4. UCM grading policy applied to dual credit grades on college transcripts**

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Course Description :

This course introduces students to the foundational principles of professional nursing and prepares them for a successful transition into a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. Students will explore core competencies essential to nursing practice, including medical terminology, healthcare math, the nursing process, clinical documentation, therapeutic communication, and medical ethics.

The curriculum also includes certifications in OSHA-10, Basic Life Support (BLS) – CPR, First Aid, Stop the Bleed, sessions on trauma informed care, and when caring hurts. Clinical skills will be developed through hands-on practice in simulation labs, offering students a realistic introduction to patient care scenarios. In the spring semester, students may participate in supervised shadowing experiences at local hospitals, providing valuable exposure to real-world healthcare environments. Dual credit opportunities are also available through the University of Central Missouri.

Note: This program does not offer Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification

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Student Learning Outcomes (aligned with college and high school expectations):

- Demonstrate understanding of the nursing process.
- Interpret and apply basic medical terminology.
- Identify ethical principles in nursing practice.
- Apply effective communication strategies in patient care scenarios.

Required Textbooks & Materials:

- College-level textbook (s)- Provided by LSR-7
- Lab materials (Stethoscope, Name badge)- Provided by LSR-7
- Scrub Uniform (Black) - See additional information for details
- Technology requirements (Schoology, email (LSR7), Powerschool access, Wifi at home location, laptop (see instructor if Wifi and laptop are not options).

Grading Criteria/Scale:

STA Student Handbook for STA grading scale. Grades are cumulative throughout the semester. The grade will be based on the following points:

- Daily work (20%)
- Projects, papers, and lab assignments (30%)
- Tests and quizzes (50%)
- Comprehensive final (10%)

Electronic Gradebook/Parent Connect Website: Grades are updated weekly. This [link](#) provides the Parent Connect website address.

UCM DUAL CREDIT/High School equivalent:

Grading Scale:	A = 90 – 100
	B = 80 – 89
	C = 73 – 79
	D = 65 – 72
	E F = below 65

Dual Credit Policies:

- [University drop/withdraw dates.](#)

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- Academic honesty [standards](#).
- Attendance & participation expectations (aligned with UCM [college policy and the STA Handbook](#)).

Attendance & Credit Policy:

Summit Technology Academy's policy may differ from that of the home school and will be in effect for the period of attendance at STA. See STA Handbook.

Transportation Note:

Students are **required to have personal transportation** to and from **internship/externship sites and community experiences**. STA does **not provide transportation** to these off-campus opportunities.

Medical Externship: Students will have the opportunity to be assigned to a medical externship placement during the second semester. Students must meet the following program requirements to be assigned to a placement:

1. Adhere to the school attendance policy per STA Handbook.
2. Attains an 80% or above grade for the first semester.
3. Successful completion of all clinical related documents (i.e. TB skin test, background check, drug screening, immunizations, family care registry), and required training.
4. Instructors reserve the right to withhold students from shadowing rounds based on habitual unprofessional and/or immature behavior during the school year.

Required Uniforms: Students will wear black scrub pants and matching scrub shirt on designated days for clinicals in the classroom and any offsite experiences/medical externships. If a student fails to comply with the dress code it will reflect in the "Professionalism" grade and they will not attend the field trip. Students will need to purchase scrubs (more info on this will be given in class).

Additional Information:

- **Required Textbook:** This text is available to each student for checkout. Students will return the book at the end of the first semester in good

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condition. If the book is not in good condition a fine to replace the book will be assessed.

- **Tutoring/Extra Help Plan:** STA utilizes a pyramid of interventions in order to ensure students successfully meet course requirements. Students may access the instructor during office hours as listed above. Students also have access to Schoology to pose questions to the instructor and/or classmates for additional assistance. Students can access the instructor email address to pose questions, complaints, ideas, etc. Students MUST use their LSR7 issued email address. Instructors are required by LSR7 to avoid communicating with students via personal email addresses.
- **Late Work Policy:** The first day an assignment is late, a maximum score of 75% will be given. The second day, a maximum score of 50% will be given. The third day or later, a score of 0% will be given.
- **Use of Computers:** Students are to use laptops only for Professional Nursing classroom purposes. **Students are not allowed** to visit social networking or shopping sites unless being used in curriculum. See pg. 48-55 of the STA Handbook.
- **Academic Lettering:** Students who have earned a 94.50% or higher for first semester and a 94.50% or higher at the time of the fifth grading period will receive the academic letter, also known as the Chenille letter.

Addendums:

NUR 1700, NUR 2000 & NUR 2710 [essential standards](#).

Skills you will be proficient in are located [here](#).