

	Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)	Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science (BS)	Bachelor of Social Work (BSW)	Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BSPH)	Bachelor of Science in Health Systems Management (BS)
Program Description & Goals	Nursing is a learned discipline. Nursing practice and is based on both interdisciplinary and discipline-specific knowledge and built on a foundation of liberal education. The discipline specific knowledge that guides nursing practice includes concepts of person, health, environment, and nursing and theories that describe their interrelationships. The philosophy of the School of Nursing is based on a pluralistic, inclusive perspective of these central concepts. The curriculum prepares the graduate for generalist practice in nursing and allows the graduate to sit for the national licensing exam to practice as a registered nurse (RN).	Exercise science is a field that encompasses all of the components involved in the total well-being of an individual, exploring the social, biological, and environmental aspects of optimal health. The program goal is to promote optimal health and well-being in the physically active population by providing educational opportunities to prepare qualified undergraduate students for a career as entry-level certified Exercise Science Instructors. The program offers preparation for employment practitioners in: health agencies, hospitals, fitness centers, business and industry, research laboratories, or any other setting which provides physical fitness enhancement programs for clients and patients.	The degree prepares graduates for generalist social work practice - utilizing multiple types of intervention that would be useful for different types of social systems and client populations. Emphases are placed on development of therapeutic working relationships with clients; assessment of client systems from an ecological systems perspective; establishment of accurate and appropriate problem definitions and goals; utilization of varying intervention approaches; and enhancing client problem-solving, coping, and developmental capacities. Graduates are employed in a variety of areas such as child protective services, substance abuse treatment centers, hospitals, youth and children services, criminal justice system, adoptions/foster care, hospice, and long-term care settings.	Public health is the science and art of promoting health, preventing disease and injury, and prolonging life through organized efforts of society. The program provides students with a solid foundation in the core disciplines of public, and the internship and capstone experiences allow students to integrate and demonstrate their knowledge and analytical skills in research and practice settings. The BSPH prepares students for work in entry-level to mid-level positions in a variety of settings including health-related agencies, hospitals, local and state public health departments, academic research centers and institutes, corporate disease management and wellness programs, non-profit agencies, and healthcare businesses and industries.	The Bachelor of Science in Health Systems Management will prepare students as entry-level generalists in the health systems management field through interdisciplinary approaches guided by culturally relevant perspectives. Medical and health systems manager positions entail planning, directing, or coordinating medical and health services in hospitals, clinics, managed care organizations, public health agencies, or similar organizations. Potential employment opportunities include: health care recruiter; healthcare project manager; sales management; managing director; relationship manager; healthcare representative (medical device or pharmaceutical sales); health insurance; assistant administrator; business office manager; health navigator; billing manager; case manager, and practice manager.
Curriculum	The program provides a background in: liberal arts; sciences; and generalist nursing education. The	The program encompasses all of the components involved in the total well-being of an individual,	Introductory social work courses expose students to the following content areas: diversity,	The program is designed to prepare scholar-practitioners with knowledge and skills in the	The curriculum is informed by the skills desired in all health care managers outlined by the American

	curriculum is based on a framework from the American Nurses Association. There is a broad consensus within nursing that four concepts of central concern to the discipline are person, health, environment, and nursing.	exploring the social, biological, and environmental aspects of optimal health. The curriculum covers a wide spectrum of these issues. The program is structured according to competencies and proficiencies provided by the American College of Sports Medicine.	populations-at-risk, social and economic justice, values, and ethics. Additional coursework focuses on human diversity, life cycle theory, social justice, social welfare, and social work policy.	core concepts of public health including health behavior, research and statistics in health, environmental health, epidemiology, and health administration, as well as in the planning, evaluation, organization, and conduct of community and public health services.	College of Healthcare Executives. Students complete courses in leadership, health care accounting and finance, organization development and behavior, information technology management, health policy and law, and quality management and improvement.
Covered by UNCC SACS Accreditation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Additional Accreditation by Professional Association	Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs	Council on Social Work Education	Council on Education for Public Health	N/A
Application Required	Yes-Applications for admission include: BSN Application; Volunteer Hours form; Unofficial Transcripts	Yes-Applications for admission include: Exercise Science Program Application; Unofficial Transcripts	Yes-Applications for admission include: BSW Admissions Application; Unofficial Transcripts; Resume; Statement of Interest	Yes-Applications for admission include: BSPH Admissions Application; Unofficial Transcripts; Statement of Interest	No
Admission Cycle	Fall or Spring	Fall, Spring, Summer	Fall	Fall	Fall or Spring
Prerequisites	Yes-25 hours	Yes-7 hours	Yes-9 hours	Yes-15 hours	No
Number of Credit Hours in the Major	61	60	47	32	30
Required Electives	No	No	Yes-12 hours	Yes-18 hours	No
Required Minor	No	No	No	Yes	No (highly encouraged)
Internship or Practicum or Field Placement	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No