Nursing

Typical Career Fields:

**Staff Nursing (projected growth 15-21%)**
- Specialties by:
- Work Setting or Type of Treatment
- Specific Health Conditions
- Organ or Body Systems
- Well-defined Populations
- Adv. Practice Nursing

**Community & Public Health (projected growth 15-21%)**
- Health Education
- Disease Prevention

**Independent Practice**
- Temporary Staffing
- Travel Nursing
- Personal Services
- Contracting
- Private Duty

**Government Service**
- Staff Nursing
- Administration
- Policy Development
- Research

**Telehealth**
- (Provide consultations & patient education through electronic communications)

**Nursing Informatics (projected growth 15% - 21%)**

**Education (projected growth 22% or higher)**
- Teaching
- Educational Administrator

**International Health**
- Clinical Nursing
- Emergency Relief
- Policy Development

**Other Areas**
- Insurance
- Sales
- Production Management
- Writing
- Law
- Forensic Nursing
- Healthcare Administration
- Information Management
- Patient Advocacy
- Case Management

☆ = Bright Outlook  Source: O*NET

Top Ten Career Fields Chosen by ESU Nursing Grads: *(Source: Linkedin)*

Where Our Grads Go (top ten):
- Stormont-Vail HealthCare
- Newman Regional Health
- Univ of Kansas Hospital
- Univ of Kansas Medical Ctr
- Children Mercy Hospital
- Wesley Medical Center
- Olathe Health System
- Cerner Corporation
- Medical Library Association
- Spirit AeroSystems

View a list of required courses for this major at http://www.emporia.edu/sac/list-of-majors.html.

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Nursing Majors
Strategies on how to become more marketable at graduation

Staff Nursing (Often specialized by work setting or type of treatment, i.e. General, Surgical, ER, Maternity, N/ICU, Oncology, Cardiac, School, Industrial, etc.)
- Obtain your CNA certification to allow opportunities to gain work experience in the healthcare field prior to graduation.
- Graduate from an accredited university (ESU) and pass the NCLEX-RN to apply for state licensure.
- Get involved in student nursing organizations.
- Private schools may not require certification or licensure. Obtain master’s degree in subject area for increased employability.
- Acquire nursing experience in multiple areas through clinical rotations.
- Graduate study required for advanced studies or specialized fields. Obtain master’s degree in area to become specialist.

Community/Public Health
- Complete licensure requirements for RN and acquire general nursing experience.
- Explore industry publications through the Association of Community Health Nursing Educators or the American Public Health Association to discover current trends and research in the field.
- Get involved with the community through volunteer activities.

Education/Government
- Earn a Master’s degree to teach in either two-year or four-year institutions.
- Maintain current knowledge of state and national legislation regarding nursing licensure.
- Seek leadership positions through campus and community organizations.

Nursing Informatics
- Demonstrate your ability to take a system, any system, and show the staff how to use it in patient care or other areas.
- Have an understanding of the healthcare environment, not just nursing or informatics.
- Be knowledgeable enough about the system(s) you may work with to promote the connections and transferable skills to other systems you know.

General Information and Strategies
- Demonstrate enthusiasm and energy for the field.
- Keep your grades up! This demonstrates commitment and attention to detail.
- Obtain part-time, summer, internship, or volunteer experience with the age group you intend to work with in various settings: pre-schools, daycares, camps, community agencies, etc.
- Participate in co-curricular activities and related organizations to broaden skills, interests, and opportunities.
- Bachelor’s degree is sufficient for licensure to obtain RN in most states. Obtain a master’s degree for advancement and increased earning potential.
- Advanced degree required for specialists, nursing administration, college teaching and other professional positions.

The nursing program is approved by the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN), Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson Street, Suite 1051, Topeka, KS 66612. Telephone: (785) 296-4929 and accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), formerly known as NLNAC. For more information about the program contact ACEN, 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326. Telephone: (404) 975-5000.