

Ferris Program: Allied Health Sciences

Degree Type: Bachelor of Science

Ferris College: College of Health Professions

Transfer School: Grand Rapids Community College

Consortium Eligible: Yes

Total Credits Required: 123-125

Catalog Year: 2026-2027

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – 39-40 Credits Required

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses. Diversity Competency - 2 Courses Required. If not met by courses taken for Culture, Self and Society, or MTA, a student must meet the following: 1 course with the Global Diversity attribute and 1 course with the U.S. Diversity attribute.

Visit the Ferris State [general education page](#) for more information.

Communication Competency

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
COMM 105 or COMM 121 or COMM 221	Interpersonal Communication or Fundamentals of Public Speaking or Small Group Decision Making	3	COM 135 or COM 131 or No Equivalent
ENGL 150	English 1	3	EN 101
ENGL 250	English 2	3	EN 102
(Choose 1 of 4) ENGL 311 or ENGL 321 or ENGL 323 or ENGL 325	Advanced Technical Writing or Advanced Composition or Proposal Writing or Advanced Business Writing	3	EN 249 or No Equivalent or No Equivalent or No Equivalent

Quantitative Literacy Competency

Requirements for Quantitative Literary Competency can be met with the following:

- Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher
- Official Post-2016 Math SAT Score of 580 or Higher
- Official Math ACT Score of 24 or Higher

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
MATH 114 or MATH 115 or MATH 116 or MATH 117	Quantitative Reasoning for Professionals 2 or Intermediate Algebra or Intermediate Algebra and Numerical Trigonometry	4 or 3 or 4 or 4	No Equivalent or MTH 112 or No Equivalent or MTH 116

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Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
	or Contemporary Mathematics		

Natural Sciences Competency

Two courses are required with a minimum of 6 credits: must have at least one lab course.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
Varies	Natural Sciences Electives (Consult Advisor)	6	Varies

Culture Competency

Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from two different disciplines, have at least one 200 level or higher course.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
Varies	Cultural Electives (Consult Advisor)	9	Varies

Self and Society Competency

Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from two different disciplines, have at least one 200 level or higher course, and at least one Self and Society Foundation course.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
Varies	Self and Society Electives (Consult Advisor)	9	Varies

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS – 84 Credits Required

College of Health Professions (COHP) Core Curriculum

15 Credits Required.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credit Hours	Transfer Course
COHP 300	Health Informatics	3	No Equivalent
COHP 350	Statistics for Health Care	3	No Equivalent
COHP 450	Evidence-Based Health Care	3	No Equivalent
COHP 471	Trends in Health Care	3	No Equivalent
COHP 499	Capstone Project	3	No Equivalent

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CLINICAL CONCENTRATION (CLIN) – 69 Credits Required

Choose one concentration.

Major Courses

Choose 19 Credits Required.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credits	Transfer Course
COHP 317	Public Health Organizations	2	No Equivalent
PHIL 320	Biomedical Ethics	3	PHIL 206
PUBH 320	Nutrition and Health	3	No Equivalent
COHP 330	OSHA Law	2	No Equivalent
HCSA 336	Health Care Supervisory Practices	3	No Equivalent
SOCY 340	Race and Ethnicity in the United States	3	SOC 260
PSYC 345	Psychology Death and Dying	3	No Equivalent
COHP 351	Introduction to Gerontology	3	No Equivalent
COHP 352	Health and Physical Aspects of Aging	3	No Equivalent
COHP 353	Health Care for Older Adults	3	No Equivalent
COHP 354	Policies, Issues, and Trends in Aging	3	No Equivalent
COHP 385	Resiliency in Health Care	3	No Equivalent

Professional and Clinical Courses

50 Credits Required (Advisor Approval).

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credits	Transfer Course
Varies	Professional and Clinical Courses (Advisor Approval)	50	Varies

Associate Degree Coursework

Students must have previously earned an associate degree in a health specialty from an accredited college or university or be enrolled with an associate degree program within the College of Health Professions at Ferris State University.

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GENERAL CONCENTRATION (GEAH) – 69 Credits Required

Choose one concentration.

Major Courses

Choose 19 Credits Required.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credits	Transfer Course
MRIS 101	Introduction to Health Information Systems	4	No Equivalent
ISYS 105	Introduction to Microcomputer Systems and Software	3	BA 145 or CIS 103
RMLS 122	Responding to Emergencies	2	EXS 156
COHP 160	Nutrition for Healthy Living	3	GH 200
PUBH 200	Introduction to Public Health	3	EXS 225
HCSA 202	Health Care Law 1	3	No Equivalent
COHP 205	Child Care Food and Nutrition	3	No Equivalent
ENGL 311	Advanced Technical Writing	3	EN 249
COHP 317	Public Health Organizations	2	No Equivalent
PHIL 320	Biomedical Ethics	3	PL 206
ENGL 323	Proposal Writing	3	No Equivalent
ENGL 325	Advanced Business Writing	3	No Equivalent
COHP 330	OSHA Law	2	No Equivalent
HCSA 336	Health Care Supervisory Practices	3	No Equivalent
COHP 351	Introduction to Gerontology	3	No Equivalent
COHP 352	Health and Physical Aspects of Aging	3	No Equivalent
COHP 353	Health Care for Older Adults	3	No Equivalent
COHP 354	Policies, Trends, and Issues in Aging	3	No Equivalent

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Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credits	Transfer Course
COMM 365	Intracultural Communication	3	COM 236
COHP 385	Resiliency in Health Care	3	No Equivalent

Advisor Approved Electives

50 Credits Required.

Ferris Course	Ferris Course Title	Ferris Credits	Transfer Course
CHEM 103	Preparatory Chemistry	3	No Equivalent
BIOL 108	Medical Microbiology	3	BI 127
HCSA 120	Health Services Administration	3	No Equivalent
PHYS 130	Concepts in Physics	4	PH 111
ISYS 200	Database Design-Implementation	3	CIS 170
PUBH 210	Global Health and Public Health	3	No Equivalent
HCSA 260	Survey of Long-Term Care	3	No Equivalent
PUBH 300	Health Promotion and Education	3	No Equivalent
MGMT 301	Applied Management	3	BA 283
MGMT 302	Team Dynamics	3	BA 282
PUBH 320	Nutrition and Health	3	No Equivalent
SOCY 340	Race and Ethnicity in the United States	3	SO 260
COMM 366	Diversity and Communication	3	No Equivalent
HCSA 461	Nursing Home Administration	3	No Equivalent
HCSA 463	Care Professionals in LTC	1	No Equivalent
HCSA 465	LTC Facility Management	2	No Equivalent
Varies	Directed Electives (Advisor Approval)	6	Varies

PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

New Student Admission Requirements

- Must be enrolled in an associate degree program within the College of Health Professions or have completed an associate degree in a health specialty from an accredited college or university.
- 2.70 High School GPA (on a 4.00 scale) (2.50 -2.69 with college approval)
- Minimum Composite Score of ACT 18/SAT 950 OR 3.0 High School GPA (on a 4.00 scale) and Composite ACT 17/SAT 900

Transfer Student Admission Requirements

- Combined college or university GPA of 2.50 (on a 4.00 scale) from all institutions attended.
- Students must have previously earned an associate degree in a health specialty from an accredited college or university or be enrolled within an associate degree program within the College of Health Professions at Ferris State University.
- Transfer equivalency for Ferris State University's ENGL 150 or placement during the first semester at Ferris State University which would require an English ACT score of 16 or higher; or ERW SAT score of 450 or higher; or English Accuplacer score of 6 or higher.
- Transfer equivalency for Ferris State University's MATH 114 or 115 or placement during the first semester at Ferris State University which would require a Math ACT score of 19 or higher; Math SAT of 500 or higher; or Math Accuplacer scores: Elementary Algebra score 75 or higher and College Level Math 0 to 49.

MORE INFORMATION

To fulfill the residency requirement for a bachelor's degree a student must earn a minimum of 30 credits from Ferris State University.

Steps to Apply

- Complete your [free application](#).
- Submit official transcripts
 - Submit official transcripts from every school attended to Transfer@Ferris.edu
 - Or mail to:
Ferris State University Admissions Office
1201 S. State St., CSS 201
Big Rapids, MI 49307
- Submit test scores (if required)
 - ACT Scores; go to the [ACT website](#) - Ferris State University School Code: 1994
 - SAT, CLEP and AP Scores; go to the [College Board website](#) - Ferris State University School Code: 1222

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, transfer policies and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Ferris accepts transfer

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courses in which the student earned a letter grade of "C" or better. Additional policies such as the Ferris Sunset and Residency Requirement should be discussed with a Ferris advisor. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected.

Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective coursework may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for the selection of Directed Electives.

Once admitted, students are required to complete an orientation and should continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

To schedule an appointment or for additional transfer resources and policies see our [Transfer Resource page](#).

*Indicates an approved Ferris course substitution

Reverse Transfer Agreement

Ferris has reverse transfer agreements with several Michigan Community Colleges. Under such agreement, Ferris will provide your official University transcript to a partner school you have attended, so that they may grant you an associate or bachelor's degree upon completion of sufficient and appropriate credit hours from both institutions. In turn, the degree-granting institution will provide Ferris with an updated transcript reflecting the newly earned credential.

Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program-specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Transfer Equivalencies Tools

The transfer equivalencies link is located in the Transfer Resources section at transfer.ferris.edu.

Disclaimer

Transfer guides are not intended to be a contract with Ferris. The information in this guide is subject to change and is aligned with the catalog year listed above. Students should contact their community college and/or Ferris to keep informed of changes. Students' final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student. Please refer to the [Ferris catalog](#) for the most current curriculum.

Partners may contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships with questions or updates at TransferGuidesArticulations@Ferris.edu.

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