



Because of the highly competitive nature of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program, **all** students are required to complete a parallel plan by the semester of application to upper division. Students not meeting academic standards with the College of Nursing (below 3.000 GPA or one below C grade in a NURS, or science course) are required to complete this plan during the probationary semester before they are released for registration.

What is a parallel plan?

A parallel plan is a plan of action to smoothly transition to another USC major/campus or other Nursing program in the event that a student's interests or educational intentions change from nursing or if (s) he is not admitted to the Upper Division nursing program. If students change their major, apply to another nursing program or reapply to Upper Division, they will follow the steps outlined in the parallel plan checklist on the back of this page to devise a parallel plan.

- Step 1. Make an appointment with the Career Center
 - Meet with any Career Center Advisor: Call (803)777-7280

- Step 2. Make an appointment with the University Advising Center
 - Meet with any Academic Success Coach: Call (803) 777-1222 or email advising@sc.edu

- Step 3. Make an appointment with your College of Nursing advisor
 - *First Year Students* meet with Cait Shannon
 - *Students Applying to Upper Division* meet with Sophomore Advisor
 - *First Year Upper Division Students* meet with ZaMyra Dow-Shaw

Appointments can be made via the SARS link sent to your blackboard account.

PARALLEL PLAN CHECKLIST

STUDENT NAME (print):

USC ID:

STEP 1: VISIT CAREER CENTER

(Thomas Cooper Library, Level 5)

IDENTIFY CAREER RELATED SKILLS, INTERESTS AND VALUES:

IDENTIFY CAREER OPTIONS:

CAREER CENTER ADVISOR (*print name*):

APPOINTMENT DATE:

CAREER CENTER ADVISOR (*signature*):

STEP 2: VISIT UNIVERSITY ADVISING CENTER

(Close-Hipp, Suite 102)

CHANGE OF MAJOR OPTION 1
(Attach advisement form)

CHANGE OF MAJOR OPTION 2
(Attach advisement form)

ACADEMIC SUCCESS COACH (*print name*):

APPOINTMENT DATE:

ACADEMIC SUCCESS COACH (*signature*):

STEP 3: VISIT COLLEGE OF NURSING

(Williams Brice Nursing Building, room 208)

Plans for degree completion:

USC SYSTEM

NON-USC INSTITUTION

ROUTES TO BSN CONSIDERED

A.D.N. program

4-year BSN program

Accelerated BSN program

My parallel plan is:

COLLEGE OF NURSING ADVISOR (*print name*):

APPOINTMENT DATE:

COLLEGE OF NURSING ADVISOR (*signature*):