



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](mailto:advising@sc.edu)

**Step 3. Make an appointment with your College of Nursing advisor**

*First Year Students* meet with assigned First-Year Advisor  
*Students Applying to Upper Division* meet with an academic advisor

## PARALLEL PLAN CHECKLIST

STUDENT NAME (print): \_\_\_\_\_ USC ID: \_\_\_\_\_

### STEP 1: EXPLORE CAREER OPTIONS AND/OR PATHWAYS CAREER CENTER, THOMAS COOPER LIBRARY, LEVEL 5

IDENTIFY CAREER RELATED SKILLS, INTERESTS AND VALUES:	IDENTIFY CAREER OPTIONS:

### STEP 2: EXPLORE MAJOR OPTIONS AT USC UNIVERSITY ADVISING CENTER, CLOSE-HIPP SUITE 102

CHANGE OF MAJOR OPTION 1 (Attach advisement form)	CHANGE OF MAJOR OPTION 1 (Attach advisement form)

### 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
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> A.D.N. program
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 4-year BSN program
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Accelerated BSN program

My parallel plan is:

College of Nursing advisor (*print name*): \_\_\_\_\_ Appointment Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College of Nursing advisor (*signature*): \_\_\_\_\_