Nursing

Degree Type

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Administrators: Dean, BSN Nursing Chair

Admission Process

NNU's nursing program admits students twice a year, fall and spring semester. The program is designed as a rolling admission program, meaning there are no specific application deadlines and qualified applicants are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The mission of NNU is the transformation of the whole person. The College of Nursing admission process focuses on the whole person and ranks students based on academic credentials as well as the applicant's capabilities, experiences and attributes. The admission criteria guide is designed to assist applicants in assessing readiness to enter the program. The first step for all nursing applicants is admission to the university.

University Admission Process:

- 1. Contact the NNU admission office at Admissions@nnu.edu. The admission counselor will provide you with step-by-step instructions on applying to the University.
- 2. Upon acceptance to NNU please contact the College of Nursing at nursing@nnu.edu to evaluate your next steps.
- 3. NNU Nursing advisor will schedule an appointment with you either face to face or online and review your transcripts and design a plan of study.
- 4. Your plan of study will address both general education requirement classes as well as science pre-requisite classes that must be successfully completed prior to applying to the nursing program.

College of Nursing BSN Admission Process:

- 1. Once the prerequisite courses on the plan of study are completed with your nursing advisor, they will direct you to the Online Application Form to apply to the BSN program.
- 2. After submitting your online application, your nursing advisor will schedule you for the HESI entrance exam. Students that complete Microbiology prior to taking the HESI are noted to have improved HESI scores.
- 3. Once you have successfully passed the HESI exam (75% score or better) you will be scheduled for an admission interview.
- 4. Upon completion of the admission interview your nursing advisor will assist you in reviewing your application packet for submission to the NNU Nursing Admission Committee.
- 5. The Admission Committee meets monthly to review admission packets submitted by the 10th of each month.
- 6. Applicants selected for admission into the NNU BSN Program are notified via email within 15 days of committee review. Students not admitted will be notified of their rank and standing for possible future admission. Admission to the NNU BSN program is not guaranteed.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicants must be over 18 years old prior to the start of the nursing program.
- All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- All applicants must review and meet the Technical Standards for the Nursing Program.

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Prerequisite Courses for Admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program:

Minimum grade of "C" required

Fall Admission:

Item #	Title	Credits
BIOL2010	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	3
BIOL2010L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory	1
BIOL2030	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	3
BIOL2030L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory	1
CHEM1210	Principles of Organic and Biochemistry	3
CHEM1210L	Principles of Organic and Biochemistry Laboratory	1
CLTA1550	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	3
ENGL1040	Introduction to Academic Writing	3
NURS1100	Pre-Nursing I: Foundations	2
PSYC1550	Introduction to Psychology	3

^{*}For transfer students, the BSN Program will accept either Introduction to Sociology or an approved Introduction to Cultural Anthropology course.

The BSN Program will not accept a pass/fail on prerequisite courses - all courses must have a letter grade. Points are assigned for the CLEP and AP scores. **A transcript from CLEP and/or the AP Board are required for evaluation.** See the Admission Packet.

Pre-requisite courses from a quarter-system school must have a two-course sequence to meet the program requirements. For example, from a quarter-credit writing sequence of WR121, WR122, and WR123, both the WR121 and WR122 classes are required for NNU's <u>ENGL1040</u>.

The following required courses may be taken concurrently while in the nursing program:

It is highly recommended that applicants complete all or as many of the following courses prior to admission into the nursing program (see admission guideline criteria).

Minimum grade of "C" required

Item #	Title	Credits
BIOL2420	Microbiology	3
BIOL2420L	Microbiology Laboratory	1
BIOL3820	Pathophysiology	3
KINE2730	Nutrition Across the Lifespan	2
MATH2240	Elementary Statistics	3
PHIL3600	Clinical Ethics	3
PSYC2100	Lifespan Development	3

Nursing Courses

A minimum final grade of "C", a 75.0% summative exam average, and a grade of 'pass' for each of a course's clinical outcomes (where clinical hours are included) is required in each course of the nursing program. Students who do not earn a grade of pass for each of a course's clinical learning outcomes will not pass the course and will not progress further in the program until the relevant content is mastered. Nursing courses are listed below.

Item #	Title	Credits
NURS2000	Health Assessment	3
NURS2030	Fundamentals of Nursing	4
NURS2200	Nursing Care of the Older Adult	4
NURS3010	The Childbearing Family	3
NURS3015	Pediatrics and the Family Unit	3
NURS3020	Mental Health	3
NURS3030	Medical Surgical Nursing: Acute and Chronic Health Needs	6
NURS3050	Pharmacology I	2
NURS3055	Pharmacology II	2
NURS4000	Medical Surgical Nursing: Complex Health Needs	5
NURS4010	Nursing of Diverse Populations in the Community	4
NURS4020	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	3
NURS4030	Nursing Research/Evidence-Based Practice	3
NURS4040	Transition to Professional Nursing Practice/Capstone	6

Refer to this catalog for the Standard General Education requirements.

Students admitted to the nursing major are limited to a **maximum** of 16 credits per semester. For any additional credits, permission must be requested in writing to the BSN Chair. The student can register **only** for additional credits after receiving approval from the BSN Chair.

Total Credits 92