

Accelerated BSN Program

Pre-Clinical Admission Criteria

Applicants who plan to complete their general education/prerequisite coursework at the University of Missouri-St. Louis must apply to the university as pre-clinical nursing students. It is important to note that admission as a pre-clinical nursing student does not guarantee admission into the clinical track of any of the pre-licensure BSN options (Traditional full-time, Traditional part-time, or Accelerated), unless a student is admitted to the traditional BSN option under the Freshman Guaranteed Clinical Criteria.

Applicants with 24 or more transferable college credit hours¹ from a regionally accredited college or university who meet the following minimum criteria may qualify for admission to the nursing major as a pre-clinical student:

- Admission to UMSL
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 (calculated on all attempts of all transferable undergraduate courses)

¹ Once an applicant has earned 24 or more transferable college credit hours from a regionally accredited college or university, we do not take ACT score and/or high school GPA into consideration for admissions purposes.

Students admitted under the pre-clinical admission criteria must still apply competitively for a clinical space (see below).

Clinical Admission Criteria

Clinical spaces are awarded on a competitive basis for each admission period. Admission to the University of Missouri-St. Louis does not guarantee admission into the clinical track of the Accelerated BSN option.

Applicants must meet the following *minimum* criteria to apply for a clinical space in the Accelerated BSN Option:

- Admission to UMSL
- A Baccalaureate Degree in another field of study from a regionally accredited college or university *or* completion of at least 62 college credit hours before the start of the program

- Minimum cumulative GPA of ~~3.0 for applicants with a Baccalaureate Degree or minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2 for applicants without a Baccalaureate Degree (GPA is calculated based on all attempts of all transferable undergraduate courses)~~ 3.2 for all applicants with or without a Baccalaureate Degree.
- Completion of all general education course requirements
- Grade of C or higher in all *prerequisite* courses
- Required science courses (Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology I, Anatomy & Physiology II and Microbiology) completed within 10 years prior to enrollment

Application deadlines for the Accelerated track

To be admitted to the accelerated track that begins in May of each year only, all materials must be submitted to the College of Nursing, Office of Student Services by the following dates:

- Early acceptance deadline - September 15
- After September 15, on a space-available basis

For specific information regarding the B.S.N. degree program, contact Office of Student Services at (314) 516-6066 or 1-888-NURSEUM or visit the College of Nursing website.

Credit by Transfer and Examination

Credit may be granted for selected general studies. See Admission and Application Procedure section in this Bulletin for credit information.

Pre-Licensure-15 month accelerated option

NURSE 3120	Foundations of Nursing	7
NURSE 3121	Clinical Foundations of Nursing ¹	3
NURSE 3820	Introduction to Evidence-Based Nursing Practice and Informatics	5
NURSE 3804	Ethical And Legal Dimensions Of Nursing Practice	3
NURSE 3330	Nursing of Adults I	5
NURSE 3331	Clinical Nursing of Adults I ¹	3

NURSE 3340	Behavioral Health Nursing	2.5
NURSE 3341	Clinical Behavioral Health Nursing ¹	1.5
NURSE 3350	Nursing of Adults II	5
NURSE 3351	Clinical Nursing of Adults II ¹	3
NURSE 3360	Maternal-Child Nursing	5
NURSE 3361	Clinical Maternal-Child Nursing ¹	3
NURSE 4520	Population Focused Nursing	2
NURSE 4521	Clinical Population Focused Nursing ¹	2
NURSE 4530	Leadership Development and Professional Nursing Practice	4
NURSE 4531	Clinical Leadership Development and Professional Nursing ¹	4
Total Hours		58

¹ Includes a laboratory and/or clinical component

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

None

Rationale

We increased the GPA from 3.0 to 3.2 for this program as we increased it for the traditional program. Based on the rigor of the program we feel it is necessary for student success.