NURSING - BSN, TRADITIONAL BSN

The traditional track requires the successful completion of prerequisite coursework prior to beginning upper division courses. College counselors will be able to advise students regarding equivalencies to common course numbers. Information is also available regarding courses at www.tccns.org (http://www.tccns.org) and through the Texas A&M Transfer Course Equivalency (https://compassxe-ssb.tamu.edu/HCA/ssi/transferCourseEquivalency/#/inst) web page.

Upper Level Entry to the Traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Admission to the College of Nursing upper-level entry program is competitive. The student must have a minimum grade of C in each prerequisite course and a recommended minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale). Students admitted to the program usually exceed this minimum requirement significantly, with higher grade point averages in all university courses, in core curriculum courses and in the science courses. Applicants are required to complete the HESI Admissions Assessment A2 exam and achieve a minimum score of 75% in each required section. Admission requirements include the application, HESI score, personal statement, and transcript(s) from all colleges or universities attended. Admission decisions are based on:

1. the strength of the student’s academic background;
2. HESI A2 score;
3. the personal statement;
4. the student’s achievements and accomplishments, to include community service, leadership, work experience and activities in health care; and
5. academic history of repeats, withdraws or failures.

Internal Transfer Applicants

An Internal Transfer Applicant is a current Texas A&M University undergraduate in a non-nursing major who meets specific requirements to apply to the upper division sequence in Nursing. Meeting requirements does not guarantee admission, but allows a student the opportunity to apply for entry to the nursing program.

Students must submit the application no later than the published deadline in the term in which they are applying. Note: All academic information included on the application must be posted to and appear in a student’s official record at Texas A&M.

External Transfer Applicants

A limited number of External Transfer Applicants from colleges and universities outside of Texas A&M University will be admitted.

Students participating in Program for Transfer Admission (PTA) must follow the external transfer process found here (http://nursing.tamhsc.edu/traditional/external.html).

Program Requirements

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Spring
BIOL 320 or VTPP 423
Integrated Human Anatomy and Physiology II
or Biomedical Physiology I
4
PHIL 111 or PHIL 251
Contemporary Moral Issues or Introduction to Philosophy
3
Select one of the following: 2
BIOL 206 Introductory Microbiology
BIOL 351 Fundamentals of Microbiology
VTPB 405 Biomedical Microbiology
3
Government/Political science (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science) 1
Semester Credit Hours
14

Third Year
Fall
NURS 312 Introduction to Pathophysiology
NURS 313 Nursing Fundamentals
NURS 314 Health Assessment
NURS 316 Pharmacology Principles
14

Spring
NURS 305 Nursing Dimensions and Informatics
NURS 320 Adult Nursing I
NURS 411 Evidence-Based Practice for Nurses
12

Summer
NURS 412 Care of Mental Health Clients
NURS 424 Professional Issues
6

Fourth Year
Fall
NURS 323 Nursing Care of Women, Families and Newborns
NURS 420 Adult Nursing II
NURS 434 Case Studies in Patient Safety and Quality
12

Spring
NURS 315 Nursing and the Aged
NURS 413 Nursing Care of Children and Families
NURS 421 Care of Community Health Clients
12

Summer
NURS 430 Transition to Professional Nursing Practice
5

Total Semester Credit Hours
120

1 Core Curriculum courses are listed on the University Core Curriculum (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum) page. For additional information, please reference http://core.tamu.edu. STAT 201 is recommended to fulfill 3 hours of Mathematics, but is not required.

2 Indicates Nursing Science course.

3 These courses may be taken at a community college, but must be completed by the first day at the College of Nursing. Students may elect to place these courses anywhere in their schedule, thought it is encouraged that these be completed over the summer.

4 Texas common courses BIOL 2401 and 2402 taken at any Texas accredited public institution will meet the requirement for BIOL 319 and BIOL 320.

Foreign Language
Proficiency in a foreign language is required. Can be met by taking two years of the same language in high school or college credit.

Prerequisite Courses
Prerequisites may be planned or in progress during the application cycle, but must be completed with a grade of “C” or better before the program start date. The courses may be completed at any regionally accredited college or university.