

Adult Studies

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Second Bachelors Degree Accelerated Track

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This track offers the BSN in an intensive one year option beginning each January and culminating with December graduation. It is offered on both the Jackson and Germantown campuses to students who have already proven academic success and maturity with the completion of a bachelors degree in another field.

Program Admission

The applicant must hold a bachelors degree from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum 2.8 CUM GPA. In addition to university admission requirements, the applicant will:

1. Make special application to the School of Nursing, BSN-Accelerated Program.
2. Provide official transcripts of all coursework attempted including those documenting the required prerequisite courses with a grade of C or higher; BIO 190 or 211 (4 hours), BIO 221-2, (8), BIO 300 (3), MAT 114 (3), PSY 213 (3), PSY 219 (3).
3. Score a minimum of 75% on a dosage calculation exam, taken after acceptance into program and prior to matriculation.
4. Meet all conditions stated under School of Nursing, "Admission to the Basic BSN Track:" in 4, 6, 7 and 8 in the *Catalogue*.
5. Interview allowing the student to become acquainted with the School of Nursing and the interview committee opportunity to evaluate the student's potential for nursing education.
6. See the Basic BSN program for "Uniforms and Insurance Requirements."

Applicants to the BSNA program may be admitted to the Pre-BSNA program to take prerequisite math, science and social science courses. See #2 above.

Degree Requirements

- I. General Education Requirements: Second Bachelors students are not required to meet General Education requirements of Union University except as they appear as prerequisites to their new program. See Program Admission 2. for the prerequisites to BSN-A.
- II. Major Requirements (59 hours): NUR 303, 304, 307, 310, 318, 330, 410, 418, 419, 421, 423, 425, 430, 440 and 499.
- III. Minor Requirements: none

The Cohort Approach and Calendar

The academic calendars for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing—Accelerated Track do not parallel those shown in the *Catalogue*. Prerequisite courses will follow the traditional calendars; however, the major/cohort is delivered in an accelerated format. Calendars for the cohorts are unique to each and are available at <http://www.uu.edu/academics/adultstudies/acceleratedbsn/>.

Requirements for Progression in the BSN Program

The student enrolls in the courses in nursing education according to the prescribed sequence. At least a C grade in each clinical nursing course is required for progression in the nursing curriculum. Students who receive a grade of less than C in any clinical course may not proceed to the next clinical course until the failed course has been repeated with a final grade of C or above. Nursing courses may be repeated only once. Permission to progress must be obtained from School of Nursing faculty and will be dependent upon meeting course prerequisites and corequisites. In non-clinical nursing courses, a grade of C or above is required. A student who receives a grade of D or below will be allowed to repeat the non-clinical course the next time it is offered in the scheduled sequence of courses. A student who receives a grade less than C in two nursing courses will not be allowed to progress in the Nursing Program. To progress to the final year of the program, a student must have a minimum GPA of 2.0.

Continuation in the program is also contingent upon compliance with ethical and professional standards of conduct. Students who remove school or hospital property without permission will be subject to immediate disciplinary action. Graduation requirements follow the guidelines of Union University.

Readmission to the BSN Program

Readmission to the Accelerated BSN Program is not allowed. Students who are unsuccessful with the accelerated program may apply to enter the Basic BSN Program that moves at the more traditional pace.

Course Descriptions

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All descriptions are found in the basic program except for the following tailored for the BSN-Accelerated:

NUR 304. Accelerated Skills Practicum (2)

Prerequisite: Admission to the 2nd Bachelors/ Accelerated BSN Track

A practical hands-on experience designed to teach the nursing skills necessary for nursing practice in the care of individuals of all age groups in diverse settings. Student work with faculty to perform specific clinical skills using scientific principles basic to nursing knowledge and application.

NUR 307. Accelerated Foundations for Nursing Practice (5)

Prerequisite: Admission to 2nd Bachelors/ Accelerated BSN Track

Focus on the nursing interventions and skills necessary for nursing practice in the care of individuals of all age groups in diverse settings. Introduction of the nursing process provides a basis for development of decision-making and critical thinking skills in the formation of nursing diagnosis.