

NURSING, BSN ACCELERATED

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Accelerated (820200BS)

More on the Accelerated Nursing major (<https://www.uakron.edu/nursing/academic-programs/undergraduate-programs/second-degree-bsn.dot>)

Contact Information

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Program Description

The Accelerated BSN program is a four semester nursing program that provides the education needed to earn a Registered Nurse license and begin work in an entry level nursing position or apply to graduate school.

Total credit hours for Accelerated BSN degree (including prerequisites): 94-95 credits. The program begins in the summer semester and students complete the program in four semesters.

Progression in the program: Due to the sequencing of the courses, continued progress is dependent upon maintaining a minimum 2.3 nursing GPA and successful completion of C+ or higher in each nursing course.

Application deadline:

The deadline to apply for the next May class is December 1st of the preceding year. If you are interested in applying after December 1st please contact the Student Enrollment Counselor for the accelerated option, Ms. Regena Ellis at ellisr@uakron.edu or 330-972-7554.

Admission Requirements

- Complete a Second Degree Form (Application to the Program itself, available on the website).
- Baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited four year college or university with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.
- Admission to the University of Akron - students previously enrolled at The University of Akron must complete an Inter-College Transfer (ICT) to the School of Nursing.
- Able to maintain full time status.
- Pre-requisite science courses must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. Science courses must have a lab component.
- Complete all pre-requisites courses with a grade of "C" or higher. Science prerequisites may not be repeated more than once in order to achieve the "C" minimum.
- Completion of the prerequisite courses prior to beginning the first nursing course.
- Preference will be given to applicants who have completed the pre-requisite science courses within 5 years of application to the program.
- Two letters of recommendation.
- Resume.

- A 500-word Personal Statement addressing how you can contribute to the field of nursing.

Important note: Completion of all admission criteria does not guarantee admission to the accelerated program.

Admission Procedures

Submit the Second Degree form along with copies of your transcripts to the School of Nursing, attention Accelerated Option. You will receive a written evaluation (Planning Sheet) of the prerequisites you have completed along with those that need to be completed. From this point forward, you must maintain close contact with the Student Enrollment Counselor for the accelerated option, Ms. Regena Ellis, in order to ensure proper progression towards entry into the program and to confirm continued interest for consideration for admission.

International students should contact the Office of International Programs for admission. If you have attended The University of Akron in the past, you may need to reactivate your file by contacting the Office of Admissions.

Prerequisite Courses: The following list of prerequisite courses are offered at The University of Akron and Wayne College Campus, as well as Medina County University Center (MCUC). Prerequisites may be completed at any regionally accredited university or community college. However, to ensure transfer of credits, you are strongly advised to submit a course description prior to registering for approval from the Advisor/ Assistant Director. *All prerequisite courses must be completed by the start of the program in May.*

Code	Title	Hours
BIOL 130	Principles of Microbiology	3
BIOL 200	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3
BIOL 201	Human Anatomy & Physiology Laboratory I	1
BIOL 202	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3
BIOL 203	Human Anatomy & Physiology Laboratory II	1
PSYC 230	Developmental Psychology	4
CHEM 114	Introduction to General, Organic & Biochemistry (Lecture)	4
CHEM 115	Introduction to General, Organic & Biochemistry (Laboratory)	1
NUTR 316	Science of Nutrition	4
STAT 250	Statistics for Everyday Life	4
PHIL 120	Introduction to Ethics	3
Total Hours		31

If you have any questions about the prerequisites or the program, please contact Ms Regena Ellis (ellisr@uakron.edu), Student Enrollment Counselor for the Accelerated Option. 330-972-7554

*****Background Checks/Fingerprinting/Urine screen:** All Nursing students are subject to yearly thorough criminal background checks and urine screen at the student's expense. Both background checks may reveal a student's unsealed and sealed criminal record. Students are required to have a yearly TB test and flu vaccine as well as maintain current BLS Certification for the Healthcare Provider through the American Heart Association.

Change of Requirements

Without limiting the generality of its powers to alter, amend, or revoke rules and regulations, The University of Akron reserves the right to make changes in degree requirements of the student enrolled prior to the change by:

- Altering the number of credits and/or courses required in a major field of study
- Deleting courses
- Amending courses by increasing or decreasing the credits of specific courses
- Offering substitute courses in the same or cognate fields
- Changing the sequence of courses.

The following information has official approval of **The School of Nursing** and **The College of Health and Human Sciences**, but is intended only as a supplemental guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of transfer and admission to the degree-granting college. Students who were admitted prior to fall 2021 would follow the program of study that was in effect at the time of their admission. Students should refer to the Degree Progress Report (Stellic) which is definitive for graduation requirements. *Completion of this degree within the identified time frame below is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing courses, prerequisites, among others.* The transfer process is completed through an appointment with your academic advisor.

Requirements Summary

Code	Title	Hours
Prerequisite Courses		30-31
Summer I		19
Fall		15
Spring		15
Summer II		16
Total Hours		95-96

Total credit hours will be 96-97 for student beginning May 2026 or after.

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STAT 250 or STAT 260	Statistics for Everyday Life Basic Statistics	3-4
CHEM 114	Introduction to General, Organic & Biochemistry (Lecture)	4
CHEM 115	Introduction to General, Organic & Biochemistry (Laboratory)	1
PHIL 120	Introduction to Ethics	3
PSYC 230	Developmental Psychology	4

NUTR 316	Science of Nutrition	4
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Summer I

Code	Title	Hours
NURS 211	Foundations of Nursing Practice I	5
NURS 212	Foundations of Nursng Practice II	5
NURS 217	Pathophysiology for Nurses	3
NURS 225	Health Assessment	3
NURS 230	Nursing Pharmacology	3
Total Hours		19

Fall

Code	Title	Hours
NURS 341	Professional Role Development	3
NURS 350	Nursing of the Childbearing Family	5
NURS 370	Nursing Care of Older Adults	5
NURS 435	Evidence Based Practice in Nursing	2
Total Hours		15

Spring

Code	Title	Hours
NURS 360	Nursing Care of Adults	5
NURS 380	Mental Health Nursing ¹	5
NURS 440	Nursing of Communities	4
Total Hours		14

Summer II

Code	Title	Hours
NURS 401	RN Transition ¹	1
NURS 410	Nursing of Families with Children	5
NURS 430	Nursing in Complex & Critical Situations	5
NURS 450	Senior Practicum and Nursing Leadership	5
Total Hours		16

¹ Credit hours for NURS 380 Mental Health Nursing and NURS 401 RN Transition will change to 4 and 3 credits, respectively, for student beginning May 2026 or after.

Recommended Sequence

1st Year

Summer Semester	Hours	
NURS 211	Foundations of Nursing Practice I	5
NURS 212	Foundations of Nursng Practice II	5
NURS 217	Pathophysiology for Nurses	3
NURS 225	Health Assessment	3
NURS 230	Nursing Pharmacology	3
Hours		19

2nd Year

Fall Semester	Hours	
NURS 341	Professional Role Development	3

NURS 350	Nursing of the Childbearing Family	5
NURS 370	Nursing Care of Older Adults	5
NURS 435	Evidence Based Practice in Nursing	2
Hours		15
Spring Semester		
NURS 360	Nursing Care of Adults	5
NURS 380	Mental Health Nursing	5
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Summer Semester		
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NURS 430	Nursing in Complex & Critical Situations	5
NURS 450	Senior Practicum and Nursing Leadership	5
Hours		16
Total Hours		64

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