

Open ADMISSION PROCESS & CRITERIA

1. Apply and be accepted to UNC.
2. Potential for completion of all required prerequisite courses by end of Spring Semester of application year. Only 4 prerequisite courses can still be in progress at the time of application.
3. Submit School of Nursing application in January. (Applications and instructions are available on the website by early November.) Selection is based on GPA, and additional criteria.

Screening Criteria:

- GPA will be calculated using the most recent 45 semester hours of coursework and GPA from all of the completed nursing prerequisite courses. (NOTE: Grades from remedial or technical courses such as CNA, EMT etc. and AP credit will **not** be included).
- A grade of "C" or higher is required in each of the prerequisite courses (or course equivalent). "C-" is not acceptable. Students may take prerequisite courses multiple times, however, only the most current grade from the first 2 attempts will be used for admission screening.
- All prerequisite courses must have been completed within 10 years of application.
- A 3.3 GPA or higher is required within your most recent 45 credits.
- Admission scores will be based upon GPA, standardized letters of recommendation, HESI standardized test score, and personal essay.
- Priority points will be given for earned credit at UNC.

**Admission Screening Criteria are subject to change*

***If not accepted into the nursing program, a student may reapply the following year. There is no waitlist.*

****Priority 'Bears Admission' will be open to progressing Sophomore students who meet eligibility criteria*

The UNC School of Nursing

offers an excellent, well-respected program that is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and approved by the Colorado State Board of Nursing.



UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO

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Bachelor of Science in Nursing Traditional and Second Degree Programs



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TRADITIONAL AND SECOND DEGREE PROGRAMS



The School of Nursing offers a baccalaureate in nursing program for the traditional student (summer or fall starts) and a second degree option (summer start) for those who have already earned a Bachelor's degree in another discipline.

Nursing students will have a variety of clinical experiences in hospitals, nursing homes, industry, schools and public-health agencies, primarily in northern Colorado communities.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

(All applicants must complete the following courses by the end of the spring in which they apply)

CHEM 281* - Fundamentals of Biochemistry	(3)
CHEM 281L - Fundamentals of Biochemistry Lab	(1)
BIO 110* - IntroBiology: Atoms to Cells	(4)
BIO 245 - Intro to Human Anatomy & Physiology	(4)
BIO 246 - Advanced Human Anatomy & Physiology	(3)
BIO 251 - Allied Health Microbiology	(4)
NURS 326 - Pathophysiology	(3)
FND 250* - Principles of Nutrition	(3)
~PSY 230* - Human Growth & Development	(3)
~STAT 150* - Introduction to Statistical Analysis	(3)
~ENG 123* - College Research Paper	(3)

**Courses also meet LAC requirements
~Courses are exempt from the 10 year policy*

PRE-CLINICAL SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE PLAN - TRADITIONAL STUDENT

Fall		Spring	
BIO 110	4	BIO 245	4
ENG 122	3	CHEM 281/281L*	4
STAT 150	3	ENG 123	3
LAC/ elective	2-3	LAC/elective	1-3
Fall		A P P L Y Spring	
BIO 246	3	NURS 326	3
FND 250	3	BIO 251	4
PSY 230	3	LAC/electives	6
LAC/ elective	3		

** Students who have had no previous chemistry should plan to take CHEM 103 prior to CHEM 281*

Clinical coursework for 2nd Degree students begins each summer and continues until graduation in December of the following calendar year.

UNC LIBERAL ARTS CURRICULUM (LAC)

(31-credit hour minimum requirement)

- 1. Communication (Composition)** - 6 hours
ENG 122 (3), ENG 123 (3)
- 2. Mathematics** - 3 hours
STAT 150 (3)
- 3. Arts & Humanities** - 6 hours
- 4. History** - 3 hours
- 5. Social & Behavioral Sciences** - 3 hours
PSY 230 (3)
- 6. Natural & Physical Sciences** - 7 hours
CHEM 281/281L (4), BIO 110 (4), FND 250 (3)
- 7. International Studies** - 3 hours
(Select one course (International Studies [IS] designation) in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.)
- 8. Multicultural Studies** - 3 hours
(Select one course (Multicultural Studies [MS] designation) in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.)

Clinical coursework for Traditional students begins either in the summer or the fall. There are five semesters of coursework with one summer off.



PRESCRIBED CLINICAL NURSING COURSE SEQUENCE

SEMESTER 1	
NURS 310 - Foundations of Nursing I	3
NURS 313 - Health Assessment Theory & Lab	3
NURS 323 - Clinical Practice: Nursing Concepts & Care	5
NURS 327 - Pharmacology in Nursing Practice	3
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SEMESTER 2	
NURS 340 - Foundations of Nursing II	2
NURS 374 - Clinical Practice: Alterations in Adult Health	6
NURS 375 - Alterations in Adult Health Theory I	4
NURS 376 - Alterations in Adult Health Theory II	3
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SEMESTER 3	
NURS 380 - Research and Evidence Based Practice	3
NURS 420 - Clinical Practice: Childbearing Families	3
NURS 421 - Clinical Practice: Pediatric Nursing	3
NURS 425 - Childbearing Families Theory	3
NURS 426 - Pediatric Nursing Theory	3
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SEMESTER 4	
NURS 404 - Clinical Practice of Public Health Nursing Population-Based Practice	3
NURS 405 - Theory and Principles of Public Health Nursing: Population-Based Practice	3
NURS 414 - Clinical Practice: Psych Mental Health Nursing ..	3
NURS 415 - Theory of Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	3
NURS 440 - Current Issues in Health Care	2
	14
SEMESTER 5	
NURS 444 - Clinical Practice: Advanced Acute Care	3
NURS 445 - Advanced Nursing Concepts & Care	2
NURS 446 - Clinical Practice: Capstone	5
NURS 480 - Professionalism in Practice: Leadership &	3
Management	13