

## 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 except BIO 110. (NOTE: Grades from remedial or technical courses such as CNA, EMT etc. will **not** be included. High school Advanced Placement scores are not factored into GPA.)
- A grade of "C" or higher is required in each of the prerequisite courses (or course equivalent). "C-" is not acceptable. Students may take pre-requisite courses more than one time, however, only the highest grade from the first 2 attempts will be used for admission screening.
- All prerequisite courses must have been completed within 10 years of application. Any prerequisite courses taken over the 10 year limit will need to be retaken to be eligible for application.
- A 3.0 GPA or higher is required within your most recent 45 credits.
- Admissions will be determined based upon GPA, standardized letters of recommendation, HESI standardized test score, and personal essay.

*\*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.*

**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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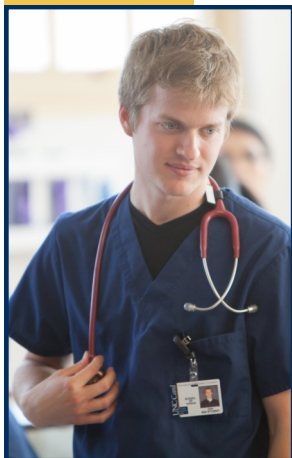
## Bachelor of Science in Nursing Traditional and Second Degree Programs



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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* - Principles of Biology .....	(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

## 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 .....	3		LAC .....	3
	13			14
Fall		A P P L Y	Spring	
BIO 246 .....	3		NURS 326 .....	3
FND 250 .....	3		BIO 251 .....	3
PSY 230 .....	3		LAC .....	6
LAC .....	6			12
	15			

\* 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 CORE (LAC)

(40-credit hour minimum requirement)

- Communication (Composition)** - 6 hours  
ENG 122 (3), ENG 123 (3)
- Mathematics** - 3 hours  
STAT 150
- Arts & Humanities** – 6-9 hours  
(2 or 3 courses from subgroups a-d, drawing from at least two different subgroups on the LAC checklist)
- History** - 3 hours  
(one course)
- Social & Behavioral Sciences** - 3-6 hours  
PSY 230 (3)  
(1 or 2 courses from subgroups a-c. If two are selected, they must be drawn from different subgroups on the LAC checklist)
- Physical & Life Sciences** - 7 hours  
CHEM 281/281L (4), BIO 110 (4), FND 250 (3)
- International Studies** - 3 hours  
(one course)
- Multicultural Studies** - 3 hours  
(one course)

Extra courses from areas 1-8 may be needed to complete the total LAC 40-hour requirement.



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
	14

### 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: .....	3
Population-Based Practice	
NURS 405 - Theory and Principles of Public Health .....	3
Nursing: Population-Based Practice	
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	
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