

Rogers State University Department of Health Sciences

Traditional BSN (Bachelor of Nursing)

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Nursing Admission Requirements

- Reading score meeting one of the following: ACT Reading 19, RSU Reading Accuplacer 75, RSU Next-Gen 250, Nelson-Denny 13, or ATI TEAS 75 in reading section. *This requirement is only waived by a U.S. bachelor's degree.*
- Minimum prerequisite GPA of 2.5 or higher. Ranking will use the most recent grades for repeated classes.
- Minimum grade of 'C' in all prerequisite and nursing (NURS) courses to meet the requirements for admission/graduation.
- If English is not your first language, you were born outside of the United States (including naturalized U.S. citizens, permanent residents, and international applicants), or you were born in a U.S. territory where English is not the first language, you are required to demonstrate English language proficiency before admission with either a minimum TOEFL score of 85 (TOEFL iBT) with speaking sub-score of 26 or DuoLingo English Test score of 107.

Program Prerequisites*

Year 1 Semester 1		Year 1 Semester 2		Year 2 Semester 1		Year 2 Semester 2	
University Experience UNIV 1152	2	Intro. to Statistics MATH 1413	3	Principles of Chemistry CHEM 1104	4	General Education Elective (see bulletin for selection)	3
General Cellular Biology BIOL 1144	4	Microbiology BIOL 2124	4	Human Anatomy BIOL 2285	5	Physiology BIOL 3204	4
Composition I ENGL 1113	3	Composition II ENGL 1213	3	Speech Communications SPCH 1113	3	Global study course (see bulletin for selection)	3
Intro. to Psychology PSY 1113	3	American Federal Gov. POLS 1113	3	Developmental Psychology PSY 3033	3	2 nd Humanities course (see bulletin for selection)	3
Humanities course (see bulletin for selection)	3	Intro. to Nutrition NUTR 1113	3	Intro. to Nursing** NURS 2112	2	American History course (HIST 2483 or HIST 2493)	3
Total Credit Hours	15	Total Credit Hours	16	Total Credit Hours	17	Total Credit Hours	16

**NURS 2112 is a pre-nursing course; it must be taken prior to admission to the upper-level BSN program courses.

Note: The courses above do not have to be taken in the above sequence with the exception of RSU prerequisite requirements.

Certain BIOL courses must be taken within 10 years of intended program start date. Please consult advisor for details.

Computer proficiency requirement satisfied by passing NURS 4433 and NURS 4443

Nursing Program Curriculum

Semester 1 (Year 3)		Semester 2 (Year 3)		Semester 3 (Year 4)		Semester 4 (Year 4)	
Dosage Calculation NURS 3111	1	Medical/Surgical Nurs. I NURS 3216	6	Medical/Surgical Nurs. II NURS 4315	5	Nurs. Role Comm. Support NURS 4324	4
Pharmacology NURS 3113-R	3	Mental Health Nursing NURS 3234	4	Nurs. Care of Child/Family NURS 4336	6	Mgmt./Leadership in Nurs. NURS 4414	4
Fundamentals of Nursing NURS 3125	5	Contemporary Nur Practice NURS 3243-R	3	Nurs. Sci./Evidence Practice NURS 4433	3	Nurs. Care of Critically Ill NURS 4424	4
Health Assess./Promotion NURS 3134	4	Pathophysiology NURS 3323-R	3			Professional Roles in Nurs. NURS 4443-R	3
Total Credit Hours	13	Total Credit Hours	16	Total Credit Hours	14	Total Credit Hours	15

R-Online courses

Note: Nursing program courses must be taken in the above sequence.

Admission into the BSN program is required to enroll in all NURS courses except NURS 2112. Admission is competitive.

Application Information:

- o The BSN program application must be submitted in addition to the general RSU application to be considered for admission into the program.
- o Fall program entry (August): applications accepted November 1 through February 1. All prerequisites must be completed by the end of the spring semester prior to starting the program.
- o Spring program entry (January): applications accepted April 1 through July 1. All prerequisites must be completed by the end of the fall semester prior to starting the program.
- o All scores and transfer work, including reading score and TOEFL score if needed, must be submitted to RSU Admissions or Health Sciences before the application deadline.

*See back for ranking information.

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Ranking Criteria

All applicants of each application cycle are competitively ranked together. Acceptance is not guaranteed.

1. Points are awarded for the having the following courses completed before applying and for grade earned:

- General Cellular Biology (Introductory Biology)
- Human Anatomy
- Principles of Chemistry
- Introduction to Statistics
- Development Psychology
- Introduction to Nutrition
- Introduction to Nursing

2. Points are awarded for the prerequisite GPA of the applicant broken down in the following ranges:

- 4.0
- 3.99-3.8
- 3.79-3.6
- 3.59-3.4
- 3.39-3.2
- 3.19-3.0
- 2.99-2.8
- 2.79-2.5

Only prerequisite courses listed on page 1 are calculated in GPA—all other courses do not count. Only the most recent grade is used for classes that have been repeated.

3. Points are awarded for any of the following prerequisite courses taken at RSU:

- General Cellular Biology
- Composition I
- Human Anatomy
- Physiology

4. Points are awarded for the completion of a previous degree, including a bachelor's, associate's in art, associate's in science. *Documentation of the degree must be provided, such as a transcript showing the date conferred or copy of diploma. If the degree will be completed after the application is submitted, a graduation application or letter from academic advisor must be submitted that confirms intended date of graduation.*

5. Additional points are awarded for the grade earned in the following courses:

- Introduction to Psychology
- Composition I
- Microbiology
- Physiology

6. Any applicant that does not have **ALL materials** related to the application turned in by the application deadline **will be deemed ineligible** for ranking.