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UTA College of Nursing and Health Innovation

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (AO BSN) Prelicensure Accelerated Online Program

Admission Brochure for Requirements to the AO BSN Prelicensure Program

The AO BSN course content is delivered in an online format. Lab and clinical experiences are faculty supervised and delivered at partner hospital systems and other healthcare facilities.

AO BSN Prelicensure Application Eligibility Requirements

For consideration of admission to the nursing program, an applicant must meet the following requirements by the application deadline:

- Be admitted and have an active student status with UT Arlington Office of Admissions and Records (uta.edu/admissions). Admission to UT Arlington is dependent upon receipt of official transcripts from outside institutions, if applicable.
- Complete all 16 nursing and health prerequisite natural science hours (A&P I and II, Microbiology, and Chemistry).
- Earn a minimum 2.75 GPA in the two GPAs calculated in the selection process (refer to the BSN Prelicensure Selection Process section).
- If accepted, an applicant must complete **ALL Nursing and Health** courses, including the upper-division elective (refer to "Nursing and Health Prerequisite Courses" on reverse side) before STARTING the first semester of the BSN Prelicensure program. Applicants accepted for the spring term must have coursework completed prior to winter intersession.
- Complete the **Math, Science, Reading, English and Language Usage** sections of the TEAS Exam. Applicants must score at minimum in the proficient range of 58.7% - 77.3% **overall and in each section**. The TEAS can be retaken every 30 days with a maximum of three (3) times in a year. TEAS scores are valid for two (2) years and must be valid at the application deadline.
- Complete all required immunizations and criminal background check by the AO BSN application deadline. Additional information is available on the College of Nursing and Health Innovation website (uta.edu/conhi).
- Complete and submit the College of Nursing AO BSN Prelicensure application (uta.edu/conhi).

TEAS and AO BSN PRELICENSURE APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Fall entry: **January 15** Spring entry: **June 1**

BSN Prelicensure Selection Process

The selection process is based on a scoring system. Applicants with the highest points will be accepted until the available admission spaces are filled.

The point values for each criterion in the ranking process are as follows:

- The two (2) GPAs listed below. Each of the two GPA's (Natural Science and Overall) have a maximum value of 4.0. The sum of the natural science GPA and the overall GPA are combined as a composite score. A maximum overall GPA score of 8.0 can be earned.
 1. Prerequisite natural science courses (A&P I and II, Microbiology, and Chemistry).
 2. Nursing and Health prerequisite courses including the upper-division elective.

Additional Considerations: Each additional consideration completed by the application deadline has a point value of .5. Additional considerations will be added to the composite GPA score for a combined "total score." A max total score for AO BSN applicants is 11. The additional considerations are as follows:

- Thirty (30) or more Nursing and Health prerequisite credit hours earned at UT Arlington.
- Twelve (12) or more Nursing and Health prerequisite natural science credit hours earned at UT Arlington.
- Previous baccalaureate, master's, or doctoral degree.
- United States Military Veteran, Reservist, or member of the National Guard.
- Pathophysiology and Pharmacology:
 1. Students who have completed both non-expired Pathophysiology (NURS 3366) and Pharmacology (NURS 3365) courses on their first attempt with earned grades of B or higher by the application deadline will receive two additional considerations.
 2. Students who have successfully completed either non-expired Pathophysiology (NURS 3366) or Pharmacology (NURS 3365) on the first attempt with an earned grade of B or higher by the application deadline will receive an additional consideration.

The GPAs and additional considerations earned by the AO BSN application deadline will be used in the ranking. Applicants will be ranked and admitted based on space availability. Admission to the AO BSN Prelicensure program is highly competitive.

Note: Preference will be given to an applicant employed by partner hospital systems offering clinical sites during that semester of admission. Partner hospital systems and clinical sites vary each semester. To receive preference, an applicant must be employed at the time of the application deadline through the first day of class. Non-partnered students are ranked by total score and location preference.

Policies For Undergraduate Nursing Students

It is each applicant's responsibility to read, understand, and comply with this document and UT Arlington's:

- "Nursing and Health Policies" (uta.edu/conhi). These policies are specific to UT Arlington's College of Nursing and Health Innovation and must be adhered to when different from UT Arlington policies.
- Undergraduate Catalog (uta.edu/catalog).

Supplemental Resources:

- UT Arlington College of Nursing and Health Innovation website (uta.edu/conhi).
- UT Arlington website (uta.edu).

Applicants accepted into the BSN Prelicensure program must adhere to the BSN Student Handbook (uta.edu/conhi).

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Nursing and Health Prerequisite Courses (70 credit hours)

Any student not in violation of a UT Arlington or College of Nursing and Health Innovation policy is eligible to register and complete the following courses:

NATURAL SCIENCE	Credit Hours	BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE	Credit Hours
*Human Anatomy and Physiology I & II ^a	8	*Introduction to Psychology	3
*Microbiology ^a	4	*Developmental Psychology (Lifespan)	3
*General Chemistry	<u>4</u>	Sociology, Intro to Public Health, or Anthropology	<u>3</u>
	16		9
ENGLISH		FINE ARTS & MATHEMATICS	
Composition I & II	6	Creative Arts Core	3
Language, Philosophy, & Culture Core	3	Contemporary Mathematics or College Algebra ^b	3
*Technical Writing	<u>3</u>	*Statistics	<u>3</u>
	12		9
HISTORY & GOVERNMENT		NURSING PREPARATORY	
American History I & II	6	*Introduction to Professional and Clinical Concepts in Nursing ^c	3
U.S. Government and Texas State & Local Government	<u>6</u>	*Pharmacology in Nursing Practice ^{c, d, e}	3
	12	*Pathophysiologic Processes: Implications for Nursing ^{c, d, e}	<u>3</u>
UPPER-DIVISION ELECTIVE			9
Three hours of a junior- or senior-level elective	<u>3</u>		
	3		

* Must be completed with a grade of C or higher within the first two (2) attempts. Visit the "Nursing and Health Policies" Two Attempt Policy section (uta.edu/conhi). Applicants accepted for the spring term must have required coursework completed prior to winter intersession. All Nursing and Health prerequisite courses must be completed prior to the start of the BSN Prelicensure program.

^a Although not used in the nursing program GPA selection process, Biology I for Nursing Students (BIOL 1345) is a prerequisite course requirement to register for Anatomy & Physiology I (BIOL 2457) and Microbiology (BIOL 2460) at UT Arlington.

^b UT Arlington's Contemporary Mathematics (MATH 1301) is preferred.

^c The nursing preparatory courses (Introduction to Professional and Clinical Concepts in Nursing, Pathophysiology, and Pharmacology) must be taken at UT Arlington unless pre-approved by UT Arlington's College of Nursing and Health Innovation. For details related to transferring in the nursing preparatory courses, visit the "Nursing and Health Policies" UT Arlington Transfer Student Policy section (uta.edu/conhi).

^d Pharmacology and Pathophysiology must be completed within three (3) years of the time of the application deadline.

^e Prerequisite course requirements to register for Pharmacology and Pathophysiology are Anatomy and Physiology I & II and General Chemistry. It is strongly recommended that Pathophysiology and Pharmacology be taken in separate terms and Pathophysiology be completed first.

Note: Refer to the University Catalog for all prerequisite course requirements and information. If taking prerequisites outside of UT Arlington, refer to <https://www.uta.edu/admissions/apply/transfer/transfer-guides>

BSN Prelicensure Nursing Courses (51 credit hours)

A student must apply to the AO BSN Prelicensure program, be accepted, and satisfy the program requirements as outlined in the BSN Student Handbook (uta.edu/conhi) to be eligible to register for these courses. All nursing courses listed below are required and delivered online with clinical experiences in-person. Additional program expenses apply.

JUNIOR I	Credit Hours	SENIOR I	Credit Hours
N3333 Promoting Healthy Lifestyles	3	N4581 Nursing of Adults with Complex Needs	5
N3320 Holistic Health Assessment	3	N4331 Nursing of Children and Adolescents	3
N3632 Clinical Nursing Foundations	<u>6</u>	N4341 Nursing of the Childbearing Family	3
	12	N4199 Role Development in Professional Nursing Seminar	<u>1</u>
			12
JUNIOR II	Credit Hours	SENIOR II	Credit Hours
N3321 Nursing Research	3	N4323 Health Policy, Legal Aspects, and Informatics in Nursing	3
N3661 Nursing of Adults	6	N4351 Nursing Leadership and Management	3
N3381 Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	3	N4462 Population and Community Health Nursing	4
N3261 Nursing of Older Adults	<u>2</u>	N4350 Capstone: Transition to Professional Nursing	<u>3</u>
	14		13

Degree Plan Total: 121 credit hours

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