



**School of Nursing - Undergraduate Program
Basic - Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) track
Pre-Nursing Students
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2014**

ADMISSION TO OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

Admission to Oakland University is required in order to be eligible for admission to the School of Nursing. Contact the University Admissions Office at (248) 370-3360 for information or apply online at www.oakland.edu/apply. There are no fees to apply. A separate application is required for admission to the School of Nursing. See "Admission to the School of Nursing" below.

ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING

Students who seek admission to the School of Nursing Undergraduate Program Basic-BSN track should have completed four years of mathematics, one year of college preparatory biology, and one year of chemistry in high school, all with a minimum grade of 2.8 or higher, an overall academic grade point average of 3.2 or higher, and an ACT minimum composite score of 20 or SAT equivalent.

There are two pathways of admission to the Basic BSN track: Direct Admission and Competitive Admission. Individuals with disabilities will be considered for admission to the School of Nursing on an individual basis related to their ability to meet the School of Nursing clinical practice requirements and core performance standards.

DIRECT ADMISSION INTO FRESHMAN YEAR

Direct admission to the Oakland University School of Nursing Undergraduate Program Basic-BSN track is for students coming directly from high school. **The Fall 2015 deadline date to apply is October 15, 2014.** Transfer students are not eligible for Direct Admission to the Basic-BSN track. Students who meet the minimum requirements are eligible to be selected for Direct Admission by the School of Nursing on a competitive basis until available spaces are filled. **Completion of the minimum requirements listed below does not guarantee admission.**

- Re-calculated High School GPA of 3.5 or above;
- ACT Math score of 23 or higher;
- ACT English score of 23 or higher;
- ACT composite score of 24 or higher;
- A minimum of one year (each) of high school biology and chemistry, completed prior to the senior year with a grade of B or higher in each course.

Once admitted to OU, Direct Admit students must adhere to the same grade point average (GPA) requirements as listed under pre-requisite courses for Competitive Admission. In addition, a minimum grade of 2.5 is required in NRS 206 to continue in the nursing program. Direct admit students who do not satisfy the freshman year academic requirements may apply for Competitive Admission.

COMPETITIVE ADMISSION

Competitive admission to the School of Nursing Undergraduate Program Basic-BSN track is for students who have satisfied the nursing pre-requisite courses. In addition to the admission requirements, applicants must be in good academic standing in the university (minimum overall GPA of 2.0). **Completion of minimum requirements listed below does not guarantee admission.** Preference for admission is given to students who have completed five or more of the required pre-nursing courses (excluding MTH 061) at Oakland University. Pre-nursing courses which are satisfied by Advanced Placement (AP) equivalent courses will be counted toward the preference for admission. Refer to OU AP Policies for approved equivalents (Oakland.edu/appolicies).

Applicants who have been dismissed from a nursing program at another institution, or have two grades below 2.5 in nursing courses from another institution, must submit a statement of explanation that includes current status as a nursing student and have their application reviewed prior to consideration for admission to the School of Nursing undergraduate program.

COMPETITIVE ADMISSION PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK

1. Before being considered for admission to the Basic-BSN track, students must complete the following required pre-requisite courses with a minimum grade of 2.8 or higher **and** a minimum overall grade point average in these courses of 3.2 or “B+” (on a 4.0 scale). These courses will be used in the calculation of your pre-nursing grade point average.

Course	Credits	Prerequisite
BIO 111 Biology	4	
BIO 121 Clinical Anatomy and Physiology OR satisfied by BIO 205 and BIO 206 and BIO 207 Human Anatomy, Lab & Human Physiology (max of 5 cr. will be counted)	5	BIO 111
CHM 104 Introduction to Chemical Principles	4	
CHM 201 Introduction to Organic and Biological Chemistry	4	CHM 104
PSY 100 Foundations of Contemporary Psychology	4	

2. Complete one of the following Philosophy courses with a minimum grade of 2.8. **Note** that the grade for the Philosophy course will not be included in the calculation of your pre-nursing grade point average.

Course	Credits	Prerequisite
PHL 101 Introduction to Philosophy	4	None
PHL 102 Introduction to Logic	4	None
PHL 103 Introduction to Ethics	4	None
PHL 107 Introduction to Symbolic Logic	4	None
PHL 204 Ancient Greek Philosophy	4	None
PHL 205 Medieval Philosophy	4	None
PHL 206 Early Modern Philosophy	4	None

3. Complete the following Writing course with a minimum grade of 2.8. **Note** that the grade for the Writing course will not be included in the calculation of your pre-nursing grade point average.

Course	Credits	Prerequisite
WRT 160 Composition II	4	Department prerequisite of WRT 150, if necessary.

4. Complete MTH 061 or MTH 011 with a minimum grade of 3.2. This requirement is waived for students who receive a score of 18 or higher on the mathematics portion of the American College Test (ACT) or who have taken an Oakland University Placement Test and have placed into MTH 062, or MTH 012, or higher. If enrolled in MTH 061, the grade received will not be included in the calculation of your pre-nursing grade point average.

Course	Credits	Prerequisite
MTH 061 (MTH 011) Elementary Algebra	4	None

TRANSFER GRADE CONVERSIONS

Records of students transferring to Oakland University from other academic institutions are evaluated and transfer credit is granted as appropriate. Grades for transfer courses do not appear on the Oakland University transcript. However, for the purposes of admission to the School of Nursing, grades for pre-requisite courses taken at other academic institutions are used to calculate your pre-nursing GPA. Letter grades are converted as follows: A = 4.0 / A- = 3.7 / B+ = 3.3 / B = 3.0 / B- = 2.7 / C+ = 2.3 / C = 2.0 / C- = 1.7.

REPEATING COURSES

Students may repeat a course to improve the grade earned in a prior Oakland University enrollment, but they must do so at Oakland University. The limit is three attempts for any individual course, excluding drops or withdrawals. Because some academic programs have more stringent limits, students should consult an adviser before registering to repeat a course. Students should be aware that the most recent grade will be the grade of record regardless of whether it is the highest grade earned.

ADDITIONAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NURSING MAJOR

Basic-BSN students will incur costs associated with the following:

- Clinical Requirements (including transportation to and from clinical sites)
- Books
- Uniforms
- Lab Equipment

COURSE SEQUENCING

The Basic-BSN curriculum is sequential and is based on six academic semesters of full-time study. However, students may request a part-time plan of study. Students who complete non-nursing (e.g. general education) courses prior to starting the nursing curriculum will potentially have a lighter course load, but will still complete the nursing courses in sequence.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES

Basic-BSN students are placed in a variety of clinical settings throughout their academic program. The School of Nursing will provide students with a range of clinical experiences with diverse patient populations, organizations/agencies located throughout metropolitan Detroit and southeastern Michigan. The School of Nursing also has a clinical simulation center where students practice nursing interventions and develop critical thinking skills related to nursing prior to their clinical experiences.

DEADLINE DATES

See the application for Deadline dates.

ACCREDITATION

The School of Nursing undergraduate program is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

***Accelerated Second Degree BSN:** The School of Nursing undergraduate program also offers an accelerated second degree BSN track for students who have earned a bachelor's degree in another major. The accelerated second degree BSN track is a full-time, 12 month plan of study. For more information about the accelerated second degree BSN track, please visit the School of Nursing website or call (248) 364-8755 and ask for Kristina Aaron.*

For more information about the School of Nursing, or to schedule an appointment with a School of Nursing academic adviser, please contact:

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FULL TIME PLAN OF STUDY - FALL START

FALL			WINTER			
The nursing NRS classes listed in the following sections are reserved for students fully admitted to the School of Nursing.						
Nursing Year 1			Credits			Credits
	NRS 206	Introduction to Professional Nursing Practice	2	NRS 210	Nursing Therapeutics II	2
	NRS 207	Nursing Therapeutics I	1	NRS 221	Nursing Informatics	2
	NRS 208/209	Health Assessment/Lab	3/1	NRS 227	Pathophysiology	3
	NRS 213	Basic Clinical Competencies I	1	NRS 302	Health Promotion II	3
	NRS 216	Health Promotion I	3	NRS 303	Basic Clinical Competencies II	2
	NRS 252	Scientific Foundations of Professional Nursing Practice	2	BIO 307*	Introduction to Human Microbiology	4
	PSY 225*	Introduction to Life-Span Developmental Psychology	4			
Nursing Year 2			Credits			Credits
	NRS 308	Pharmacology in Nursing	3	NRS 337	Nursing Care of Children: Clinical	2
	NRS 329	Nursing Care of Adults	3	NRS 338	Nursing Care of Childbearing Family: Clinical	2
	NRS 336	Nursing Care of Adults: Clinical	2	NRS 339	Nursing Care of Children	3
	NRS 452	Research Basis of Nursing Practice	3	NRS 349	Nursing Care of Childbearing Family	3
		General Education	4	NRS 354	Nursing Leadership and Health Care Issues	2
					General Education	4
Nursing Year 3			Credits			Credits
	NRS 428	Community Nursing	3	NRS 472/473	Nursing Synthesis/Clinical	1/5
	NRS 470	Nursing Care of Adults with Co-morbidities	3		General Education	4
	NRS 471	Nursing Care of Adults with Co-morbidities: Clinical	2		General Education	4
	NRS 477	Nursing Care of Adults with Psychobiological				
		Conditions: Clinical	2			
		General Education	4			

TOTAL CREDITS = 125

Effective January 2014

*PSY 225 and BIO 307 may be taken prior to or during Nursing Semester 1 and 2.

GENERAL EDUCATION: Students choose one approved course from each of the following categories: Arts; Foreign Language and Culture; Formal Reasoning; Global Perspective; Literature; Natural Science and Technology; Social Science; Western Civilization; Writing Intensive in the General Education. Students are encouraged to consult with an academic adviser for assistance selecting and scheduling general education courses and in particular the course selected to fulfill the Writing Intensive in the General Education within their academic schedule. In many instances, you may select one course to fulfill more than one degree requirement.

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WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

AREAS	EMPLOYERS	STRATEGIES
STAFF NURSING Medical/Surgical Specialties Pediatrics Operating Room Emergency Room Critical Care Units Labor and Delivery Newborn Units Research, Transplant, and Detoxification Units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospitals, medical centers, physicians' offices, medical groups, educational institutions, home care services Extended care facilities such as nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, and hospices Psychiatric units Public health services; local, state and federal Government institutions, armed services Church-related mission services International health care agencies Business and Industry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gain experience through externship/Internship programs Work or volunteer in health care/medical settings during vacations Take electives in areas such as wellness, holistic health, medical ethics, death and dying Develop good organizational skills and ability to handle stress Plan on graduate education for positions as clinical specialist or nurse administrator
COMMUNITY AGENCIES Home Health Care Public/Community Health Rural Nursing Occupational/Industrial Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public and private schools and camps Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) Day care centers, mental health centers Business and industry; health services centers State and local health departments Home health care agencies Hospital outpatient departments Senior centers Nurse-run clinics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop knowledge and skills in management, decision-making, mediation, teaching, counseling, and speaking and writing Gain experience in the ability to handle emergencies including first aid procedures, work independently, and be flexible Expand knowledge of health issues related to age, cultures, religions, ethics and government policies Consider graduate preparation for nurse practitioner
LONG-TERM CARE AGENCIES Chronic Health Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nursing homes, retirement centers, residential day care centers Rehabilitation centers Hospice organizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan on graduate study as nurse practitioner or nurse specialist for advancement Develop patience, ability to work with both patients and families for long periods, good listening skills Take additional courses in holistic health, death/dying, and medical ethics
INDEPENDENT PRACTICE Practitioner Clinician Anesthetist Midwife Private Duty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physicians, clinics, Health Maintenance Organization (HMOs) Hospitals, Industries, long-term care facilities, colleges, public health agencies, prisons Self-employment: Independent/Joint practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan on acquiring experience, advanced education and certification Must like to work autonomously, make Independent decisions, be self-directed, detailed oriented Master bilingual skills to be more valuable

GOVERNMENT SERVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health agencies including Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, Veterans Administration, Civil Service, Peace Corps/VISTA • Armed services • International health agencies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must identify interest in medical and hospital services, research, or public health • Plan on graduate study in teaching, research, or administration for advancement • Become familiar with other cultures, languages, health systems and beliefs • Be prepared for combat nursing in armed services
EDUCATION Teaching Counseling Admissions/Recruitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocational programs, hospitals • Colleges, universities • International health care organizations • Wellness centers • Public schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop patience, sensitivity to needs of young adults as well as patients, and ability to accept responsibility for actions of others • Take courses in education, principles and practices of teaching • Need advanced degrees to teach at college/university level • Develop skills in sales, marketing, and public speaking
NURSING RESEARCH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large hospitals, medical centers • Colleges, universities • Centers for Nursing Research • National Institute for Nursing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gain experience with research through supervised independent study or course projects • Develop curiosity, analytical thinking, attention to detail, persistence, and good speaking and writing skills • Plan on obtaining doctoral preparation
INTERNATIONAL FIELDS International Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Embassies, military bases, national or international government agencies, private voluntary organizations, universities • Business and Industry • Church-related mission services • World Health Organization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider advanced education as clinician or nurse practitioner to be more valuable • Inquire about need for additional preparation in religious studies or similar courses
OTHER AREAS Marketing/Sales Product Manager Entrepreneur Quality Assurance Editor/Writer Communications Specialist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitals • Business and Industry: pharmaceutical companies, medical equipment, computers, insurance • Medical/Health publications • Universities • Health care advertising agendas • Professional associations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan on obtaining minor in business or communications

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