

NURSING PACKET

This guide is for students who plan to transfer and major in nursing. It is intended for students planning on transferring into a traditional Nursing program and NOT a RN-BSN completion program. For current RNs please see the RN-BSN completion packet. This guide contains the following information:

1. Transfer Program Planning Guides for nursing majors. This transfer guide meets the requirements for the Associate in Arts (AA) degree.
2. Information about nursing programs at the following schools in Illinois:
 - Chamberlain College of Nursing
 - Chicago State University
 - Dominican University
 - Elmhurst College
 - Illinois State University
 - Lewis University
 - Northern Illinois University
 - North Park University
 - Resurrection University (formerly West Suburban College of Nursing)
 - Rockford University
 - Saint Anthony College of Nursing
 - Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville (program can be completed at Edwardsville or Carbondale)
 - St. Xavier University
 - University of Illinois at Chicago
 - University of St. Francis
 - Western Illinois University
3. Outside of Illinois
 - Milwaukee School of Engineering

Requirements change frequently; students are encouraged to check current information with a Student Development Center or with the transfer school directly.

Final responsibility for verifying all transfer information lies with the student.

**TRANSFER PROGRAM PLANNING GUIDE
FOR
NURSING MAJORS**

Transfer Notes

- A license to practice nursing is required in all states. In order to obtain a license, you must graduate from a state-approved nursing program and pass the state board examination.
- This is only a suggested plan of coursework and may vary by transfer school. Students must verify this information with either a Harper counselor or the transfer school they are considering.

Suggested Courses

- This sample transfer planning guide meets the requirements of the AA degree. Harper also offers an associate in applied science degree in nursing. Transfer institution requirements may vary. Students should check individual college/university requirements before completing the sample plan as outlined. Baccalaureate admission may be competitive; completion of these courses alone does not guarantee admission.
- Requirements for schools vary. Students should check the individual school requirements before completing the curriculum as outlined.

First Semester

Communication - ENG 101 English Composition I	3
Mathematics - MTH 165 recommended - See Group 2 in the AA Degree and transfer school information	4
Physical and Life Science - BIO 115 Fundamentals of Cellular Biology	4
Humanities and Fine Arts – See Group 4 in the AA Degree and transfer school information	3

Second Semester

Communication - ENG 102 English Composition II	3
Physical and Life Science - CHM 121 General Chemistry I	5
Social and Behavioral Science - PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3
Major Discipline and Transfer Elective – BIO 130 Microbiology	4

Third Semester

Major Discipline and Transfer Elective - BIO 160 Human Anatomy	4
Humanities and Fine Arts – See Group 4 in the AA Degree and transfer school information	3
Social and Behavioral Science - PSY 228 Psychology of Human Development	3
Major Discipline and Transfer Elective – CHM 122 General Chemistry II	5

Fourth Semester

Major Discipline and Transfer Elective - BIO 161 Human Physiology	4
Humanities and Fine Arts – See Group 4 in the AA Degree and transfer school information	3
Social and Behavioral Science – SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3
Communication - SPE 101 Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3
Major Discipline and Transfer Elective - See Group 6 in the AA Degree and transfer school information	3

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ADMISSION

Chamberlain College of Nursing looks for candidates with the following qualifications:

- A minimum ACT composite score of 21, minimum SAT of 990 or A2 Admission Assessment score of 75
- High school cumulative GPA of 2.75 from all previously attended institutions or successful completion of the GED
- College cumulative GPA of 2.75 from each institution attended, excluding developmental courses
- Demonstration of mastery of English through a score of 550 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required for applicants whose native language is not English

COURSES

At this time Chamberlain College of Nursing has not provided Harper College with any course articulation information. Students interested in attending Chamberlain College of Nursing should contact the school directly.

ACCREDITATION

Chamberlain College of Nursing is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association, <http://www.ncahlc.org/>. The Associate program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission (NLNAC). The Bachelor program is accredited by the NLNAC and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

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ADMISSION

Level of Academic Achievement Required for Admission into the Nursing Program

Admission into the nursing program has two phases; phase one is the admission into the pre-professional program and phase two is the admission into the professional program.

Requirements and Academic Criteria for Admission into the Pre-professional Program

High school students or students who have taken courses in other institutions are admitted to Chicago State University as a nursing major. The level of academic achievement required to be admitted to the University are the following:

- A minimum grade point average of 2.5 (C+ average)

Admission into the professional program is competitive and is based on the academic performance in the freshmen and sophomore years.

Requirements and Academic Criteria for Admission into the Professional Program

To be admitted into the professional program, both freshmen and transfer students, after completing all the pre-requisite courses, are screened by the Admission, Progression, Retention and Graduation (APRG) Committee using established criteria before they are admitted into the professional program. Students are admitted into the Basic and LPN-BSN tracks during the spring semester and summer semester, respectively.

To be admitted into the professional phase of the nursing program, the students must:

- Meet the general admission requirements of the University and be enrolled as a nursing major.
- Successfully complete the required University placement examinations or developmental courses in English, mathematics and reading. University placement examinations are waived for second baccalaureate degree students.
- Attain a cumulative and science grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Complete the following pre-requisite courses with a grade of C or better:
 - ◆ ENG 101 and 102
 - ◆ PSY 101 and 228
 - ◆ BIO 110, 160, 161 and 130
 - ◆ CHM 100
 - ◆ Any College Level Mathematics course
 - ◆ SOC 101
 - ◆ DIT 101
 - ◆ PHI 101 or 102
 - ◆ Three hours of Humanities – Any College level course
 - ◆ Six hours of a single foreign language (101 and 102)
- Successfully complete the Nelson Denny Reading Test with a minimum score of 12.
- Successfully complete NURS 091(Bridge I).

In addition to the academic requirements, applicants must take note of the following policies:

- Pre-requisite courses required for admission may be repeated only once when a grade of D or F has been achieved.
- Natural science courses (BIO 110, 160, 161, 130 and CHEM 100) will only be accepted if taken within the past five years.
- Nursing courses completed in other schools of nursing are not automatically transferable to the nursing curriculum. The APRG Committee will determine course equivalency.

- An updated evaluation of credit form must be submitted with the application packet.

ACCREDITATION

The Department of Nursing is approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations (IDFPR). The program received an initial eight-year accreditation from the National League for Nursing (NLN) in 1981, and was re-accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. (NLNAC) for 8 years in 2005, with a progress report due November 2007. The NLNAC office is located at 61 Broadway, 33rd fl., New York, NY 10006, Tel. 800-669-1656, ext. 153. Graduates of the Department of Nursing are able to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) administered by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN). After successful completion of this examination, the individual will be a Registered Nurse and will be fully qualified to practice professional nursing

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ADMISSION

Students must apply and be admitted to the Undergraduate school in order to be eligible to apply to the BSN program. (General transfer application first; then BSN application).

- Students must earn a minimum 2.75 overall GPA
- Students are required to take the ATI TEAS entrance exam and submit a criminal background check
- All prerequisite courses must be completed and grades submitted no later than the end of the spring semester prior to admittance into the BSN Program

The BSN Program is competitive. If a student meets the admission criteria, it allows them to be eligible to apply, but it does not guarantee admission into the BSN Program.

More information can be found at www.dom.edu/nursing

COURSES

Following are prerequisites for the Nursing program at Dominican University:

Dominican University

BIO 152 Human Anatomy/Physiology I
BIO 252 Human Anatomy/Physiology II
BIO 160 Microbiology
BIO 260 Human Pathophysiology

CHM 120 General Chemistry
MATH 211 Statistics
PSYCH 212 Life Span Development Psychology
NUTR 250 Nutrition

Harper College

BIO 160 or BIO 135
BIO 161
BIO 130
May be taken at Dominican during the first two semesters of attendance.
CHM 121
MTH 165 or 225**
PSY 228**
DIT 101

** Course is not an exact equivalent but will be accepted towards the requirements for the nursing degree. If a student changes their major the course will not meet the same requirement in another area.

ACCREDITATION

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program at Dominican University is a new applicant pursuing initial accreditation by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 887-6791. New applicant status is neither a status of accreditation nor a guarantee that accreditation will be granted.

The program prepares graduates to be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for licensing as a registered professional nurse.

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ADMISSION

Students must meet the following criteria in order to be considered for admission to the nursing program:

- 8 out of 12 courses must be completed;
- A combined grade-point average of 2.75 or above;
- A grade of C or better and a grade-point average of 2.75 in all prerequisite natural science courses (BIO 160, 161, 130, CHM 100 or 110 and 125 or 201); students may repeat one course to remove a W or to improve a grade;
- A grade of C or better in all non-science prerequisite courses (ENG 101, 102, PSY 101, 228, and the cultural diversity requirement); students may repeat one course to remove a W or to improve a grade. With permission, a student may carry prerequisite courses with non-clinical nursing course;
- Passing score on the nursing entrance examination
- Completion of the application form for the Deicke Center for Nursing Education
- Demonstration of competency in mathematics.

Please note that admission to nursing courses is on a space available basis. Preference will be given to students enrolled at Elmhurst College the term prior to entering nursing courses.

COURSES

Following are course equivalencies for the nursing core at Elmhurst College:

Elmhurst College

BIO 107
BIO 108
BIO 216
CHM 101
CHM 103
PSY 210
PSY 315
PSY 327
BIO 419
MTH 345 or 346 or PSY 355
Additional MTH Course

Harper College

BIO 160*
BIO 161*
BIO 130
CHM 100 or 110 or 121
CHM 125 or 201
PSY 101
PSY 228
PSY 230
None
MTH 165
MTH 101 or higher

*Need to complete entire year sequence at Harper.

ACCREDITATION

The Deicke Center for Nursing Education's baccalaureate program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education through 2010 and approved by the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation. Elmhurst nursing graduates are awarded the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in nursing. They are then eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), which enables them to receive their licenses as registered nurses (RNs).

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ADMISSION

The Mennonite College of Nursing at ISU admits students for the Fall semester only.

Applications period: September 1st through January 15th

Applicants must have:

- Minimum 55 hours completed prior to starting in the Fall
Have completed (at the time admission, and not at the time of application) IAI GECC (Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum) OR have earned an Associate in Arts

- Obtain a C or better in each of the Mennonite College of Nursing prerequisite courses to include:
 - ◆ CHM 110 or 121
 - ◆ MTH 162 or 165 or 225
 - ◆ PSY 101
 - ◆ PSY 228
 - ◆ BIO 130
 - ◆ BIO 160 and 161
 - ◆ DIT 101
 - ◆ HSC 112

BIO 160 OR BIO 130 must be completed by the application deadline

Minimum GPA to apply is 2.5 although the averaged admitted GPA is 3.40-3.72.

ACCREDITATION

The Nursing program is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW Suite 530, Washington, D.C. 20036; (202) 887-6791; and also is approved by the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation. Memberships include the Council of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs, the Illinois Council of Baccalaureate and Higher Degree Programs and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing.

LEWIS UNIVERSITY

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ADMISSION

The minimum required GPA for the Nursing program is 2.75. Students must also successfully complete the Kaplan Admission Test (KAT) prior to starting nursing clinical coursework. The test can only be taken once.

COURSES

The following prerequisite courses must be completed with a C or better for the Nursing program. Prerequisite coursework can only be attempted twice. Withdraws count as an attempt!

- ◆ ENG 101 and 102
- ◆ BIO 160 and 161
- ◆ BIO 130
- ◆ CHM 201
- ◆ PSY 101
- ◆ PSY 228
- ◆ MTH 165

ACCREDITATION

The College of Nursing and Health Professions offers both bachelor's and master's degree programs accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE). Upon successful completion of the nursing curriculum, the graduate is awarded the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and is eligible to apply to write the national examination for licensure as a Registered Professional Nurse.

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ADMISSION

Transfer and re-entering applicants to the university with 24 or more postsecondary semester hours, who are not registered nurses, will be considered transfer applicants and will be considered as a separate applicant pool. Transfer students are encouraged to contact a program advisor before enrolling to determine whether prior course work satisfies prerequisites.

Prospective students who are not RNs should contact an advisor from the College of Health & Human Sciences at (815) 753-1891, HHSAdvisingHelp@niu.edu.

1. Applicants must complete a minimum of five (or preferably more) of the prerequisite courses by the January 15 deadline.
2. Additionally, applicants must achieve a minimum of a C or better in all attempted prerequisite courses.
3. All applicants (who are not RNs) must submit an official copy of the ACT Reading Score of 24 or higher, an SAT Evidence-based Reading and Writing score of 570 or higher, or pass the Accuplacer Reading Examination. Arrangements for taking the Accuplacer Reading Examination must be made through the NIU Office of Testing Services (815) 753-1203. Applicants with a baccalaureate or higher degree from a U.S. Institution are exempt from the reading score requirement. Reading scores must be submitted by January 15.

COURSES

- BIO 110
- BIO 130
- BIO 160 and 161
- CHM 100 or 110 or 121
- ENG 102
- PSY 101
- PSY 228
- MTH 165

ACCREDITATION

The School of Nursing has had continuous accreditation by the National League for Nursing for the baccalaureate program since 1965 and for the master's program since 1973. In 2001, the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education became the accrediting agency for both programs and the programs were accredited for 10 years without any recommendations.

MISCELLANEOUS

Harper has a compact agreement with Northern Illinois University for students earning an A.A. or A.S. degree.

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ADMISSION

Students interested in nursing must **first** be admitted into the university. **A subsequent application to the School of Nursing for admission into the nursing program** is made **after** you are an admitted North Park University undergraduate student.

At North Park, there is a two-step application process: students must first apply to the university and then to the nursing program. The bachelor degree at North Park is made up of three different types of credits: nursing prerequisite courses, general education courses which are required of all NPU students to graduate, and finally, the nursing core classes. Students need to have completed all prerequisite courses and several of the general education courses before they can start the core nursing classes if accepted into the program.

Typically transfer students need to complete **AT LEAST 2** semesters at North Park regardless of where they are at pre-requisite wise before applying/starting the Nursing program. Once a student starts, it will take 2 academic years to complete so in total, a student is looking at 3 years to complete their bachelor's degree in Nursing at North Park as a transfer student. It is in a transfer student's best interest both time wise and financially to complete only 1 year of pre-requisites at a community college and then transfer to north park to finish the remaining pre-requisites in the year leading up to starting the program. (i.e. regardless of if a student completes 2 years at a community college, they are still looking at 3 years to complete a BSN at north park.)

North Park accepts 48 students for both the Fall and Spring semester into the Nursing program so it just depends on when a student is ready to start the program.

The requirements for the nursing program application are:

- Complete all prerequisite courses with a C or better. (No more than 2 may be repeated, and only 1 may be a science)
- Successful Completion of the TEAS exam (general admissions test, offered every semester on campus) (www.atitesting.com)
- Recommendation form from a health care professional or faculty member.
- And a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. – but students who are getting into the program generally have at least a 3.4 or above GPA.

North Park welcomes transfer students in the nursing program, however priority is given to students who have taken more courses at North Park since this allows them to better assess the education students have received. Most transfer students start nursing coursework within one year of starting classes at North Park.

COURSES

Students should look to complete as many of the following prerequisites prior to transfer as possible:

- ENG 101
- BIO 115
- BIO 130
- BIO 160 and 161
- CHM 201
- CHM 220
- MTH 165 only (not MGT 225 or MTH 162)
- DIT 101
- PSY 101
- PSY 228
- SOC 101

ACCREDITATION

North Park's Nursing program is accredited by the NCA and the NLN.

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ADMISSION

Students who have completed all general education requirements and nursing support courses are considered Transfer Students.

Admission Criteria:

1. Grades of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale completed at regionally accredited colleges or universities are transferrable.
2. Remedial/pre-college level courses, audit, credit, proficiency scores are not transferrable.
3. No courses with final grades below 2.0 on a 4.0 scale may be transferred.
4. Curriculum GPA must be 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
5. TEAS Exam – 68% or higher. Exam must be taken and the score must be on file by the deadline for the semester applied for.
6. Important Note Course Expiration Dates: Science and computer coursework for the BSN-Prelicensure program must have been completed no more than five years prior to the intended start date. For example, a student entering the program in the fall of 2015 must have completed the required computer courses during the fall of 2010 semester or later. †

COURSES

Nursing Support Courses

- CHM* 121 or any of the following: CHM 122, 125, 201, 204, 205, 210, 220
- BIO 130*
- BIO 160*
- BIO 161*
- MTH 165 or 225
- CIS* 100 or 101
- PSY 101
- SOC 101 or 205 or ANT 202
- PSY 228 or PSY 216 and 218

General Education Courses

- ENG 101
- ENG 102 or 201
- MTH 103 or any of the following: MTH 101, 124, 131, 134, 140, 200, 201, 202, 203, 212, 220
- Humanities – 9 hours – Choose from IAI Humanities/Fine Arts
- General Electives – 9 hours – Any college level courses

*Science and computer coursework for the BSN-Prelicensure program must have been completed no more than five years prior to the intended start date.

ACCREDITATION

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a member of the North Central Association, Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, and approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

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ADMISSION

Admission to Rockford University **does not** guarantee admission to the nursing program. In order to be successful as a Rockford University nursing student, the Nursing Department has established minimum entrance requirements prior to enrolling in courses with the intent of pursuing a major in nursing. These include:

- Complete an application to Rockford University and be accepted for admission.
- A cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on transferable course work at time of application.
- Make application to the University no later than February 14th for Fall Admission and August 15th for Spring Admission. Late submissions will not be accepted. Once you are admitted to the university, your admissions counselor will give you the application to the nursing program which will be submitted back to your counselor upon completion.
- Completion of a minimum of 45 credit hours at conclusion of semester preceding entrance to nursing major.
- Complete the nurse entrance exam; cost to student is \$35 (fee subject to change)
- Complete prerequisite courses listed below
- Demonstrate math competence by one of the following means:
 - ACT math score of 20 or higher within the last 5 years or
 - College Algebra or MATH 120 or
 - Math Placement exam score of 3 or higher and
 - TEAS V math score proficient or higher

Students will be notified of their status by letter from the chairperson no later than May 1st for fall entrance or November 1st for spring entrance. When notification of an offer of admission to the nursing program is received the student will make an appointment with their academic advisor to complete the Declaration of Major form.

Requirements of All Applicants:

- A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.75 at the time of application. For transfer students, a CGPA will be determined from course work accepted in transfer, which must be a minimum of 2.75 for consideration.
- Maintenance of a minimum CGPA of 2.75 from Rockford University at the end of the semester in which application is submitted.
- Achieve a grade of "C" in each of the required natural and social science support courses (see list of required supporting courses). A student who receives a grade lower than a C- in any required natural and social science support course may repeat the course and have the repeated course grade counted toward the CGPA. Only one of the required natural and social science support courses may be repeated. If a student receives a grade lower than a C- grade in more than one of the required natural and social science support courses, they will not be considered for admission to the major. All students must inform the Registrar's Office when they are repeating classes.
- Science courses older than five years will not be considered as equivalent to Rockford University courses.
- Students who are granted medical withdrawals and medical incompletes in required natural and social science support courses have a maximum of two times to achieve a passing grade of "C-" or better. For example, a student enrolls in Biology 209 and receives a medical incomplete. That student then makes arrangements with the instructor to repeat Biology 209 the next time it is offered. The student fails to achieve a passing grade and then withdraws from the course with a "MW" (medical withdrawal). The student repeats Biology 209 again and then receives a passing grade. The student (who has essentially attempted the same course three times) may not be considered for admission into the nursing program.
- Students who have been denied admission to the nursing program due to a CGPA of less than 2.75 may submit an application requesting admission to the nursing program, if admission criteria are met, during the next application period. Automatic admission to the program for the next academic year is not guaranteed. Each student case will be considered individually and are handled on a space-available basis.

- There are essential capabilities necessary for admission and progression at Rockford University in the complex discipline of nursing. To enter or progress in the nursing curriculum, the candidate must be able to perform all of the essential capabilities (with or without accommodations). See Appendix A of the Nursing Student Handbook for Essential Capabilities of Nursing Majors.

All students admitted to the nursing major are required to complete a background check and a random urine drug screen.

The nursing faculty reserves the right to consider the merit of individual cases.

Transfer students should consult Rockford University's web site for detailed admission requirements:

<http://www.rockford.edu/?NurseTransferStudent>

COURSES

Recommended prerequisites prior to admission:

- BIO 160 and 161
- BIO 130
- CHM 121
- SOC 101
- PSY 101
- PSY 228
- MTH 103 or higher

ACCREDITATION

Rockford University Department of Nursing is approved by the State of Illinois Department of Professional Regulation and is accredited by the *National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC)*. Graduates of this track will be prepared to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN®). After passing this examination they will be eligible to begin a career as a registered professional nurse.

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ADMISSION

Minimum Requirements to apply:

- 32 of the 64 prerequisite credits completed with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4 point scale.
- At least one of the prerequisite nursing sciences (anatomy and physiology, college chemistry or microbiology) completed with a minimum prerequisite nursing science GPA of a 2.7 on a 4 point scale.

Students need to check www.sacn.edu for the most updated information.

COURSES

NURSING PREREQUISITES	Minimum Credits	COURSE NUMBER	Credits
Anatomy & Physiology1	4	BIO 160 and BIO 161 (completes the A & P and biology elective requirements)	8
Chemistry	3	CHM 100 or 110 or 121	5
Microbiology1	4	BIO 130	4
Nutrition	3	DIT 101	3
Statistics	3	MTH 162 or 165	4
Developmental Psychology	3	PSY 228	3
Total Nursing Prerequisites	20		27

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE2	Minimum Credits	COURSE NUMBER	Credits
English Composition--1st sem	3	ENG 101	3
English Composition--2nd sem	3	ENG 102 or 103 or 200 or 201	3
Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 101	3
Physical/Life Science Elective	3	any AST, BIO, CHM, GEO, PHS, PHY not otherwise required	3
General Psychology	3	PSY 101	3
Speech	3	SPE 101	3
Philosophy or Humanities	3	Any HUM, LIT, FRN 210, GER 210, SPA 210, SPE 121, any PHI except PHI 180,	3
Cultural Diversity	3	Select from: ANT 101, 202, 203, 207, 208, 210, ART 133, DIV 101, GEG 100, 101, 103, 104, HST 105, 121, 214, 231, 232, 241, 242, 243, HUM 103, 104, 105, 125, LIT 206, 207, 208, 215, 220, 223, PHI 160, 205, PSC 250, 260, 270, 280, SOC 235, SPE 121	3
Fine Arts	3	Select from: ART 105, 114, 130, 131, 132, 133, 280, MUS 103, 104,106, 120, SPE 111	3
Social/Behavioral Science	3	any ANT, ECO, GEG,HST, PSC, PSY, SOC	3
Biology Elective1	4	Complete with Anatomy and Physiology	

Electives	10	Additional transferable (not vocational) courses or those used with the framework of completing an Associate's Degree. Medical Terminology and Phlebotomy courses are accepted as electives.	varies to equal 64 credits
Total for General Education	44		

1 A minimum of 12 credits in biology is required.

2 General education core requirements may be met by

- Completion of each course as specified above
- Completion of a bachelor degree from an approved, regionally accredited college or university

*** A minimum of 64 credits is required before beginning the nursing program.**

* All students must meet each of the Nursing Prerequisite requirements.

*** A student may apply for admission after completing: 32 prerequisite credits, at least one of the prerequisite nursing sciences, with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 and a nursing prerequisite science (A & P, college chemistry and microbiology must be less than 10 years old) GPA of at least 2.7 on a 4 point scale**

ACCREDITATION

Saint Anthony College of Nursing is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission, Member-North Central Association. The BSN Program is accredited by Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

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Please note: Students applying to Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville can decide do the program at either Edwardsville or Carbondale. They must indicate their location choice at the time of application.

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ADMISSION

The Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville nursing program is run at both locations – Edwardsville and Carbondale. Students will decide at the time of application where they wish to complete the program. Regardless of the location chosen the degree will be awarded from Southern Illinois University – Edwardsville.

- Students must have a minimum prerequisite grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale (including transfer credit, as well as credit earned at SIUE), and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for admission consideration
- Completion of the Health Education Systems Incorporated (HESI) A2 examination by the March 1 deadline covering math, reading comprehension, grammar and vocabulary. (A reading or math score below 75 percent will require an education action plan that is developed in the School of Nursing before enrollment)
- Student must check <http://www.siu.edu/academics/degrees-and-programs/undergraduate/nursing/admission-requirements.shtml> for the latest admissions information.

PREREQUISITE COURSES

- ENG 101 and 102
- SPE 101
- CHM 121
- SIUE's CHEM 120b/124b (see note below)
- PSY 101
- BIO 130
- BIO 135
- BIO 160 and 161
- Social Science Choose one from: ANT 101, ECO 212, GEG 101, HST 141, PSC 101, SOC 101.

Prerequisite Requirements:

- A grade of C or better must be earned in all prerequisite courses. A prerequisite course may not be repeated more than once.
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- If a prerequisite course is repeated, the initial grade will remain in the grade point average calculation unless we have official documentation of the grade from the repeated course at the time of admission evaluation.
- Students must complete all remaining required prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better by the end of the spring semester (proceeding the fall admission term).

SIUE's CHEM 120b/124b

At this time Harper College does not have the equivalent to SIUE's CHEM 120b/124b. Students looking to fulfill this requirement are recommended to either take CHM 170 at McHenry County College (out of district rates will be assessed) or Parkland College's CHE 107 which is available online.

ACCREDITATION

SIUE, School of Nursing is fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and in full compliance without sanction with the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation.

MISCELLANEOUS

Harper has a compact agreement with Southern Illinois University.

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ADMISSION

Requirements for consideration for admission as a transfer nursing major:

- Minimum 2.75 cumulative college GPA
- A score of “proficient” on the TEAS V test; only two TEAS V test attempts are allowed
- An essay describing why you want to be a nurse and why you would like to study at Saint Xavier University
- Completion of a college biology and college chemistry course
- A minimum of 12 credit hours at Saint Xavier University while maintaining a 2.75 GPA may be needed before a student can begin the nursing curriculum
- Applications for the Traditional BSN Program at the Chicago campus are only accepted for the spring term. Students would successfully complete remaining specific supportive coursework during the spring semester at Saint Xavier, and begin nursing clinical coursework in the fall semester.
 - The application completion deadline for the spring semester is October 1.

Before beginning clinical courses, students must provide all of the following: Current health history, physical examination, complete immunization record, required laboratory reports, 12 panel drug screen, CPR certification, proof of health insurance, and an Illinois State Police criminal background check.

COURSES

Harper College

ENG 101 and 102
SPE 101
MTH 165
BIO 160
BIO 161
BIO 130
DIT 101
CHM 121
CHM 201
Humanities/Fine Arts (9 hrs) – see Harper AA degree
PSY 101
PSY 228
PSY 230
Sociology or Anthropology (Human Related Course)

SXU

ENGLISH 120
COMM 101
MATH 135
BIO 202
BIO 203
BIO 206
PE 124
CHM 111
CHM 109
Fulfills SXU requirement
PSYCH 101
PSYCH 199
PSYCH 204
Fulfills SXU requirement

Even if students have met all of the above requirements they must complete at least 12 semester hours at St. Xavier before being able to start nursing courses.

ACCREDITATION

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ADMISSION

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 (recommended GPA is 3.2 or higher)
- Minimum natural science GPA of 2.50 (sciences courses must be completed within 7 years)
- Effective for Fall 2016, an applicant must have all BSN prerequisite courses completed by the end of the Spring semester before the start of the program.
- 57 semester hours must be completed upon entry to the University. One upper-division course (3 sem. hrs.) in General Education will be completed at UIC after the student has been admitted.

Admission to UIC's College of Nursing is competitive. Nursing admits students to the Fall semester only. Supplemental application materials, including letters of recommendation, are required. A link to the supplemental application material will be emailed to the student once the general UIC transfer application has been submitted.

Students not eligible for admission into the College of Nursing may apply to the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences as pre-Nursing provided the student meets that college's admission requirements.

Students who hold an active RN license and have completed all the prerequisite course work should apply for the RN/BSN Completion Program through the U of I Global Campus. The program is entirely online.

LOCATION

The Nursing program is offered at UIC, at the University of Illinois at Springfield and at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. All three programs are run through UIC's College of Nursing. Students must choose which location they would like to apply to. The supplemental application is sent directly to either Chicago, Springfield or Urbana-Champaign.

COURSES

Majority of the coursework should be completed at the time of application. All must be completed before starting classes at UIC.

- ENG 101 and 102 – Composition I and II
- BIO 160 and 161 - Human Anatomy and Physiology (8 semester hours)
- BIO 130 - Microbiology (3 semester hours)
- CHM 121 and 201 or 125 - General Chemistry and Basic Organic or Organic Biochemistry (8 semester hours)
- MTH 165
- DIT 101
- PSY 101
- PSY 228
- SOC 101
- One Understanding the Creative Arts course
- One Understanding the Past course
- One Exploring World Cultures course
- Liberal Arts electives (varies) – see Harper UIC Nursing Transfer Guide

Computer Competency – A student must be able to send and receive email, conduct a web search and do word processing

Please consult the UIC Nursing Transfer Guide for additional information and general education course selection:
http://goforward.harpercollege.edu/academics/transfer/transferarticulation_pdf/uic/uicnur.pdf

ACCREDITATION

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MISCELLANEOUS

Prospective students are encouraged to attend an information session. Register at
<https://www.nursing.uic.edu/academics-admissions/prospective-students#information-sessions>

Further questions regarding the information sessions call 312-996-7800 or con@uic.edu

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ADMISSION

All students seeking enrollment in the clinical nursing sequence must meet all of the following requirements:

- 3.00 Cumulative GPA
- 2.75 Nursing Science courses G.P.A. (comprised of Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology, and Chemistry)
- C's and above in Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology, Chemistry, and Statistics
- Only 1 Withdraw allowed in the prerequisite courses
- TEAS Exam score of 68% or above
- "Nursing Readiness" will be determined by your Admissions Counselor

COURSES

Completion of the following prerequisite courses:

- BIO 110
- CHM 110 or 121
- BIO 160 and 161
- BIO 130
- ENG 101 and 102
- SPE 101
- PSY 101
- PSY 228
- SOC 101
- MTH 162 or 165 or MGT 225
- CIS 100 or 101
- DIT 101

Additional General Educations courses recommended to be completed

Philosophy – one course (3 semester hours):	PHI 105, 115, 160, 180, 220
Aesthetic Awareness (3 semester hours):	ART 105, 114, 130, 131, 132, 133; MUS 103, 104, 107, 120; THE 111, 112
Literature – (3 semester hours):	LIT 105, 110, 111, 112, 115, 206, 207, 208, 221, 231, 232
Historical Understanding – (3 semester hours):	HST 111, 112, 121, 141, 142, 231, 232, 241, 242, 243 or 245
Religious Foundations (3 semester hours):	Must be completed at USF

Students will also need to complete the following courses at USF as prerequisites: NURS 202, NURS 265 and NURS 270.

After the completion of an Eligibility Audit by the Nursing Admissions and Progression Committee, students are granted permission to enroll in the clinical nursing sequence. Transfer students meeting the above requirements are not guaranteed entry into the clinical course sequence.

ACCREDITATION

Accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

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ADMISSION

3.0 GPA is required. Only first attempt of repeated courses will be considered!

No time limit on courses

At start of program only 30 applicants will be admitted into the traditional and the RN-BSN program each.

Prerequisites must be completed by July 1st to be considered. Otherwise students can come in to WIU as pre-nursing.

COURSES

To have the best chance of being admitted students should have all prerequisites done at the time of application. Those students will be admitted first, after that if there are any spots left, students with courses still in progress will be considered.

Prerequisites

- ENG 101 and 102
- SPE 101
- BIO 130, 160, 161
- CHM 121, 122
- MTH 162 or MTH 165 or MGT 225
- DIT 101
- PSY 101 and 228
- SOC 101
- PHI 115
- General education electives (see WIU Transfer Guide for complete list):
<http://goforward.harpercollege.edu/uploaded/transfer/transferschools/instate/wiu/wiu.pdf>

ACCREDITATION

The baccalaureate degree in nursing at Western Illinois University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation>).

OUTSIDE OF ILLINOIS

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ADMISSION

The minimum GPA required for admission into the Milwaukee School of Engineering and directly into the Nursing program is 3.00.

COURSES

The most important courses for a transfer nursing students to have completed are their science courses. Due to clinical availability, it will take a transfer nursing student at least 3 years to graduate.

A three-year graduation is possible if a student has completed most of the following courses with a C or higher:

- BIO 110
- BIO 130
- BIO 160 and 161
- CHM 121
- CHM 201
- DIT 101
- HSC 112
- MTH 103
- MTH 165
- PHI 115
- PSY 101
- PSY 228

Biochemistry may be taken at MSOE, and a student could still graduate in three years. Other pre-requisites are not important to have, just the sciences are.

ACCREDITATION

The School of Nursing's baccalaureate program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).