

UNCG School of Nursing

BSN as a Second Bachelor's Degree

Information

2022 - 2023

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program may take three to four years plus one summer to complete for students with a previous bachelor's degree. The baccalaureate degree is made up of the following: Minerva's Academic Curriculum (MAC), which are waived for students with baccalaureate degrees from approved, accredited institutions; cognate requirements that are prerequisite for the upper-level clinical nursing courses; school requirements; and free electives (if needed to total the second-degree hours to 120 semester hours).

PREREQUISITES FOR UPPER DIVISION: Applicants already holding a bachelor's degree will be required to have the following prerequisites before entering the Upper Division.

Course	Grade Required	Prerequisites
BIO 271 (Anatomy) or KIN 291	C or better	BIO 111 +lab (with grade of C- or better)
BIO 277 (Physiology) or KIN 292	C or better	BIO 111 +lab (with grade of C- or better)
BIO 280 (Microbiology)	C or better	BIO 271 or 277 required to take BIO 280 **
HDF 211 (Lifespan Development)	C or better	—
PSY 121 (General Psychology)	C or better	—
CHE 104 (Chemistry II)	C or better	CHE 103 (Chemistry I)
CHE 110 (lab)	—	—
NTR 213 (Nutrition) (GNS)	C or better	—
STA 108 (Statistics) (GMT)	C or better	—

Students **must complete** all criterion courses by the end of the spring semester before taking NUR 210 and NUR 220/220L during summer session.

Please note, students **MUST TAKE at least Anatomy or Physiology (BIO 271 or 277) through the Biology Department to be prepared for Microbiology. If taking the KIN 291 or KIN 292 options, make sure at least one of the Biology options is completed, or you will not be eligible to take Microbiology.

APPLICATION FOR THE UPPER DIVISION

Students must be formally admitted to the School of Nursing, which is an upper division major. Admission to UNCG does not guarantee admission to the upper division major. Only students who have formal, written acceptance into the School of Nursing will be permitted to register in advanced nursing courses and complete work for the major. Applications are available each year on the School of Nursing website from December 1 through February 1. Transcripts from all post-secondary schools attended must be submitted by February 1st. Students are notified of the School's decision regarding acceptance in early to mid-March.

Admission is extremely competitive as the number of applications typically exceeds the number of available spaces each year.

Minimum criteria for admission to the upper division major are identified in the UNCG Catalog (<https://catalog.uncg.edu/>):

1. Overall grade point average of 3.0.
2. A grade of "C" or better is required in each of the following courses: BIO 271/271L or KIN 291/291L, BIO 277/277L or KIN 292/292L, BIO 280/280L, CHE 104, HDF 111, NTR 213, PSY 121, and STA 108.
3. No more than two of the above prerequisite courses may be repeated to attain the minimum grade or better. Prerequisite courses may be repeated only one time.
4. Scores for the ATI TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) must be submitted electronically by the application deadline, February 1st. Information regarding the TEAS test is available on our website.
5. Matriculation into the upper division is contingent upon receipt of a satisfactory evaluation signed by the student's physician of the applicant's physical and emotional health to provide nursing care. Forms will be sent to the students who are admitted to the upper division.

Due to the competitive nature of this program, successful applicants typically present much higher credentials for admission. The admissions committee looks at all post-secondary coursework completed when making their decisions. Applicants are required to submit a copy of the transcripts from all previous schools attended. Students should complete at least three of the required science courses (BIO 271, 277, 280, and/or CHE 104) by the end of the fall semester.

SAMPLE PLAN OF STUDY

PRIOR TO UPPER DIVISION:

Fall Semester: 8 sh

BIO 111 and 111L	4
CHE 103 and 110L	4

Spring Semester: 7 sh

BIO 271 and 271L*	4
CHE 104	3

*KIN 291 and 291L accepted

Summer Session: 6 sh

STA 108	3
PSY 121	3

Fall Semester: 7 sh

BIO 277 and 277L*	4
HDF 211	3

Spring Semester: 7 sh

BIO 280 and 280L	4
NTR 213	3

*KIN 292 and 292L accepted

UPPER DIVISION MAJOR – Requires formal admission to the program to enroll in any of the required nursing courses listed below.

Summer Session: 6 sh

NUR 210	3
NUR 220 & lab	3

Fall Semester: 16 sh

NUR 310 & clinical	5
NUR 320 & clinical	5
NUR 355	4
NUR 380 & lab	2

Spring Semester: 13 sh

NUR 340 & clinical	4
NUR 360 & clinical	4
NUR 365	1
NUR 375	2
NUR 385	2

Fall Semester: 13-14 sh

NUR 410	5
NUR 420	5
NUR 450	3
NUR 365 (if not taken JR year)	1

Spring Semester: 14 sh

NUR 430 & clinical	5
NUR 415	3
NUR 440 (clinical)	4
NUR 490	2

Notes:

- Members of the faculty encourage students to work as CNAs during the summer between junior and senior years.
- Contact hours for each of the upper division semesters is normally 35-40 hours per week.
- To meet the University's requirement for full-time status students must take 12 semester hours.

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