

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN)

The Accelerated BSN program begins in the summer and fall semesters. Required application materials can be submitted as they are completed, but all materials must be received before admission consideration. Review of completed applicant files requires 3 to 4 weeks.

Complete applications are reviewed on a rolling basis

Early Admission

Allows students to apply as early as their senior year of high school for future semesters. Enrollment is granted for a specific term and all admission criteria must be maintained, including completion of required general education courses and one of the following: Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification, Health Support Professional (HSP) certification or successful completion of Allen College NU 250 Clinical Skills I. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis.

The following criterion must be met:

- Completed fewer than 25 college credits
- Minimum cumulative high school grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale

Transfer Applicants

Applicants must have earned 25 college credits, prior to admission review.

Natural science courses (A&P I, A&P II, Chemistry, and Microbiology) may only be repeated once. Students may only enroll in these courses twice.

The following criterion must be met:

- A minimum grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in the following core courses:
 - English Composition
 - Oral Communication
 - Intro to Sociology
 - Intro to Psychology
 - Human Growth & Development*
 - Anatomy and Physiology I with lab component*
 - Anatomy and Physiology II with lab component*
 - Microbiology with lab component*
 - Chemistry with lab component*
 - Human Nutrition*
 - Statistics*
- A minimum college cumulative grade point average of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale
- Grade C or higher in prerequisite core general education courses
- Grade C- or higher in the remaining general education courses
- One of the following are required prior to starting the program: Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification, Health Support Professional (HSP) certification or successful completion of Allen College NU 250 Clinical Skills I

**Courses used in GPA for students with a previous bachelor's degree at the time of application*

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Current LPN's will be allowed to take a competency exam through NACE and may be exempt from NU 335 Fundamentals of Clinical Nursing.

Applying from another nursing program requires a [letter of good standing](#) from the previous institution to be considered for admission.

Applicants whose first language is not English must prove [English proficiency](#) prior to admission consideration.

70 credits of prescribed general education coursework must be completed before starting the program.

Meeting admission criteria does not guarantee admission into the program. Allen College uses a holistic admission review. The process balances academic achievement, work experience, extra-curricular involvement, leadership, community service, diversity, as well as, other applicable life experiences. Top applicants are accepted each term.

The Iowa Code (Chapter 147.3) states that conviction of certain felonies will make an individual ineligible for licensure. Previous conviction of a felony does not automatically bar an individual from eligibility for licensure. After completion of a nursing education program, the student will file an application for licensure with a state board of nursing. At that time, the board of nursing may review any felony convictions to determine eligibility for licensure.

Information subject to change without prior notification.