

## **Nursing**

The mission of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) Program through Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC) is to prepare bachelor level Registered Nurses who value and strive to be leaders in professional roles and contribute to continuing the growth of the Registered Nurse profession through education and commitment to improving health care of the people and communities we serve. Priorities of the program will include:

- Provide the highest quality academic program and experiential teaching by incorporating evidence-based practice and research into all aspects of the curriculum to produce competent health care professionals.
- Graduates of the Bachelors of Science in Nursing degree will be prepared to assist physicians and other healthcare providers who practice in the state of Illinois and the surrounding region.
- Provide specialized nursing services to the citizens, students (via education), state, region, and country.

The Bachelor of Science Nursing (B.S.N.) program has three tracks and each has their own admission requirements.

1. The traditional B.S.N. program will be open to incoming freshman who are academically prepared for the upcoming course work. A selective admissions process will be used similar to other programs currently housed in this school.
2. The RN to B.S.N. Completion Specialization will be open to any associate degree RN who has the desire to complete their B.S.N. degree and meets the SIU admission criteria.
3. The Accelerated B.S.N. Specialization is open to students who already have a bachelor's degree in a different field or those who have approximately 70-80 credit hours completed towards their bachelor's degree along with the program prerequisite courses. These include:
  - Human Anatomy and Physiology (6 credit hours or more)
  - Psychology
  - Organic Chemistry (CHEM 140A or equivalent/higher)
  - Microbiology
  - Nutrition
  - Medical Terminology
  - Inferential and Descriptive Statistics
  - Basic Principles of Nursing (NUR 200)
  - Human Growth and Development (NUR 250)

## **Bachelor of Science Nursing (B.S.N.) in Nursing**

### **B.S.N. Nursing**

The B.S.N. program is open to incoming freshman who are academically prepared for the upcoming course work. A selective admissions process will be used similar to other programs currently housed in this school. The Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing is a 120-semester hour program consisting of 41 semester hours of University Core Curriculum requirements, and 79 semester hours of combined nursing and prerequisite courses.

## B.S.N. Nursing Degree Requirements

Degree Requirements	Credit Hours
University Core Curriculum Requirements	39
To include: UNIV 101, MATH 106 or MATH 108, CHEM 140A (4 CH), MICRO 201 (4 CH), HND 101, PHIL 104, PHIL 105, CMST 301i, HCM 340, HCM 366	(2)
Nursing Requirements	51
NUR 200, NUR 250, NUR 300, NUR 310, NUR 320, NUR 325, NUR 330, NUR 335, NUR 345, NUR 400, NUR 405, NUR 410, NUR 415, NUR 425, NUR 435, NUR 440, NUR 445, NUR 450, NUR 455	
Additional Requirements	28
PHSL 240A and PHSL 240B	8
AH 105	2
HCM 310	3
HCM 320	3
HCM 360	3
HCM 365	3
HCM 388	3
HCM 395	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>

## B.S.N. Nursing - RN to B.S.N. Completion Specialization

The RN to B.S.N. Completion Specialization degree will be open to any associate degree RN who has the desire to complete their B.S.N. degree and meets the SIU admission criteria. Courses in this option will be delivered primarily via face-to-face format. The proposed curriculum will fit the "2 plus 2" option for most community college programs or a "3 plus 1" option. Students will earn a minor in Health Care Management (HCM). For students who have earned an Associates in Applied Sciences and Arts degree will be eligible for the Capstone option. The Capstone Option at SIU Carbondale puts you in the fast lane to a bachelor's degree in Capstone-approved majors. The Capstone option offers an abbreviated University Core Curriculum.

## B.S.N. Nursing - RN to B.S.N. Completion Specialization Degree Requirements

Degree Requirements	Credit Hours
University Core Curriculum Requirement (UCC) – Must be met - Remaining UCC will be dependent on previous education.	39
Nursing Requirements	16
NUR 320, NUR 325, NUR 425, NUR 435, NUR 445, NUR 455	
Additional Requirements	27
HCM 310 (3 CH) HCM 320 (3 CH) HCM 340 (3 CH) HCM 360 (3 CH) HCM 365 (3 CH) HCM 366 (3 CH) HCM 388 (3 CH) HCM 395 (3 CH) Elective (300-400 level) (3 CH)	
Total <sup>1</sup>	*43*

<sup>1</sup> *\*\*The total hours will vary depending upon student's remaining University Core Curriculum. AAS Degree and RN to B.S.N. Completion Specialization requirement. Total hours must equal minimum of 120 hours.*

## B.S.N. Nursing - B.S.N. Accelerated Specialization

The B.S.N. Accelerated Specialization is open to students who already have a bachelor's degree in a different field or those who have approximately 70-80 credit hours completed towards their bachelor's degree along with the program prerequisite courses. This track will primarily be delivered through face-to-face format with some courses in an online format. The program nursing coursework will be able to be completed within 12 months for the accelerated specialization.

## B.S.N. Nursing - B.S.N. Accelerated Specialization Degree Requirements

Degree Requirements	Credit Hours
University Core Curriculum Requirement – (Typically satisfied with incoming Bachelor's Degree. If no Bachelor's Degree, University Core Curriculum must be met)	
Nursing Requirements	51
NUR 200, NUR 250, NUR 300, NUR 310, NUR 320, NUR 325, NUR 330, NUR 335, NUR 345, NUR 400, NUR 405, NUR 410, NUR 415, NUR 425, NUR 435, NUR 440, NUR 445, NUR 450, NUR 455	

Degree Requirements	Credit Hours
Prerequisite Requirements	29
PHSL 240A and PHSL 240B	8
AH 105 (Medical Terminology)	2
MATH 106 or MATH 108 (College Algebra Enhanced or College Algebra)	3
HND 101 (Human Nutrition and Dietetics)	2
MICRO 201 (Intro to Microbiology)	4
CHEM 140A (Organic Chemistry) or CHEM 200/ CHEM 201 (Chemical Principles and Laboratory)	4
PSYCH 102 (Introduction to Psychology)	3
Statistics	3
Total <sup>1</sup>	*80*

<sup>1</sup> *\*\*The total hours will vary depending upon students remaining University Core Curriculum. Total hours must equal a minimum of 120 credit hours.*

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