

NURSING

Traditional Option – Program for Licensure



School of Nursing

Degrees Available at SIUE

- Bachelor of Science
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The School of Nursing prepares future nursing leaders who reflect the fundamental values of SIUE. The program prepares a generalist in professional nursing, and graduates are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination for licensure as a registered nurse. The state-approved program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and provides a foundation for graduate education.

Nursing is defined as the protection, promotion and optimization of health and abilities, prevention of illness and injury, alleviation of suffering through the diagnosis and treatment of human response, and advocacy in the care of individuals, families, communities and populations (ANA, 2003, Social Policy Statement.)

Nursing courses build on a foundation in the liberal arts and sciences and are concentrated in the last six semesters of study. The undergraduate nursing curriculum is built on the themes of analytical reasoning, communication, role, human diversity and ethics. Clinical and laboratory experiences are an integral part of the nursing major. Health care agencies in central, southern and southwestern Illinois and in the greater St. Louis area cooperate with the School of Nursing in providing opportunities to practice clinical skills and apply theoretical knowledge.

Career Opportunities

Nursing is a learned profession built on a core of knowledge reflective of its dual components of science and art. As lifelong learners, professional nurses practice in a variety of settings such as hospitals, public health departments, schools, outpatient clinics, and home health and mental health agencies. The professional nurse partners with other health care professionals in applying evidence-based knowledge combined with caring and compassion to provide quality care.

SIUE Nursing – Edwardsville & Regional Program at Carbondale

The traditional option is offered at both the Edwardsville campus and the SIUC campus. Courses at both campuses are offered in a primarily face-to-face format. The regional program held on the Carbondale campus is identical to the curriculum offered on the Edwardsville campus. SIUE nursing faculty will teach classes at Carbondale and provide clinical supervision of the nursing students in the Carbondale area. Admission criteria are the same for both campuses. The bachelor of science degree will be conferred by SIUE.

Admission Requirements

Nursing Applicants are accepted September 15-March 1. The deadline date for application is March 1 for fall admission.

- Admission to the University by the March 1 deadline (requires submission of a university application and \$30 fee) for Edwardsville applicants. Students taking the pre-nursing curriculum on the SIUC campus do not have to apply for SIUE University admission until they receive a conditional admission letter from the School of Nursing. The \$30 application fee is waived for these students.
- Completed nursing application and Minimum Technical Standards form on file in the School of Nursing by the March 1 deadline.



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Sample Four-Year Curriculum-Bachelor of Science, Nursing

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
YEAR 1	ENG 101 -English Composition I 3 ACS 101 -Public Speaking or ACS 103 Interpersonal Communication Skills 3 CHEM 120a Gen, Org, & Biol Chem I (BPS) 3 CHEM 124a Gen, Org, & Biol Chem Lab (EL) 1 BIOL 140 -Human Biology (BLS) 3 PSYC 111 -Foundations of Psychology (BSS) 3 Total 16	ENG 102 -English Composition II 3 BIOL 250 -Bacteriology (LS) 4 BIOL 240a -Anatomy & Physiology I (BLS, EL) 4 CHEM 120b Gen, Org, & Biol Chem II (BPS) 3 CHEM 124b Gen, Org, & Biol Chem II Lab (EL) 1 Total 15
YEAR 2	NURS 231-Examination of Role of Profess Nurse 4 NURS 234-Human Development-Life Span 3 BIOL 240b -Anatomy & Physiology II (BLS, EL) 4 RA 101 -Reasoning & Argumentation (FRA) or PHIL 213 3 QR 101-Quantitative Reasoning or MATH 150 3 Total 17	NURS 240-Pathophysiology (LS) 4 NURS 246-Foundation & Assmnt in Nsg Practice 6 STAT 107 -Concepts of Statistics (BICS) 3 Fine & Performing Arts-Breadth (BFPA) 3 Total 16
YEAR 3	NURS 341a-Pharmacology for Nurses-Adult Medicine 2 NURS 342- Adult Health I 5 NURS 343- Adult Health II 5 IS 3XX Interdisciplinary Course (IS)/Global Cultures (EGC) 3 Total 15	NURS 341b-Pharmacology for Nsg-Specialty Courses 2 NURS 354-Care of Women & Childbearing Families 5 NURS 355-Care of Children & Adolescents 5 PHIL 320 -Ethics or PHIL 321-Medical Ethics (BHUM) 3 Total 15
YEAR 4	NURS 472-Nursing Research 3 NURS 474-Care of Person with Mental Health Needs 5 NURS 475-Care of Populations (EUSC) 4 NURS 479-Senior Assignment 1 Total 13	NURS 481-Nursing Leadership & Management 3 NURS 482-Transition to Professional Practice Role 4 NURS 476-Care of Person with Complex Health Needs 5 NURS 489-Senior Assignment 2 Total 14
	The Health Experience requirement will be met for nursing majors.	Total Course Credits for Graduation 121

TRANSFER STUDENTS Maximize your transfer experience-complete the **bolded** courses/requirements pre-transfer **AND** satisfy either the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Ed Core or receive an AA, AS, or AAT (early childhood, special ed or math) degree from an IAI community college. If 'Minor' requirements are shown, discuss careful course selection with the academic advising contact listed. Transfer Credit Equivalency Guides are located at siue.edu/transfer.

Admission Requirements (continued)

- Successful completion of the required admission prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better by the end of the fall semester (preceding the spring admission evaluation). The required prerequisites for admission are ENG 101, ACS 101 or ACS 103 (or another approved prerequisite); CHEM 120a/124a, PSYC 111, and BIOL 140 (or a higher Biology prerequisite [BIOL 240a or BIOL 250]).
- Students must have a minimum prerequisite grade point average 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 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 admission).

Graduation Requirements

- completion of 121 credit hours
- Overall GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Successful completion of School of Nursing curriculum requirements
- Successful completion of Senior Assignment

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