

NURSING

Accelerated Bachelor of Science Option

School of Nursing

Degrees Available at SIUE

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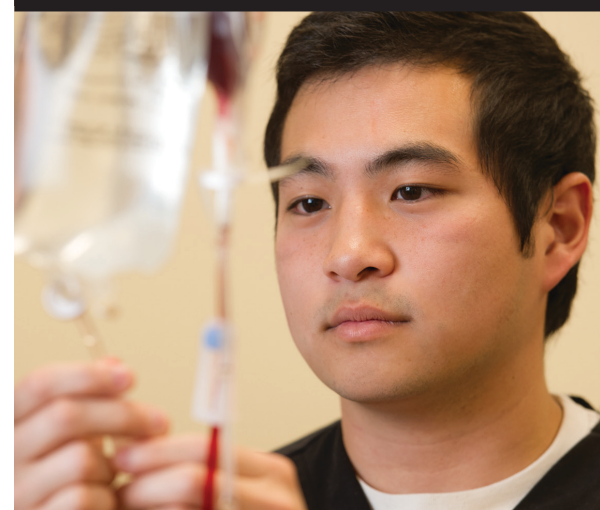
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The School of Nursing prepares future nursing leaders who reflect the fundamental values of SIUE. The program prepares a generalist in professional nursing, and graduates are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN examination for licensure as a registered nurse. 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.)

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.

The post-baccalaureate accelerated bachelor of science degree in nursing option allows students with a bachelor's degree to attain a B.S. degree with a major in nursing through three semesters and one summer session. It is an intense, defined curriculum with a combination of classroom instruction and clinical experiences for students seeking a second baccalaureate degree. Coursework and clinical experiences are of the same high quality as the traditional first-degree baccalaureate progression, but taken at an accelerated pace. Upon successful completion of the option, students are eligible to take the National Nursing Licensure Exam (NCLEXRN) to obtain their license as a registered nurse. Students must be dedicated and willing to attend classes as many as five days a week and devote an appropriate amount of time to their studies in order to be successful with this option. The full-time program begins in August (fall semester).



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Sample Curriculum-Bachelor of Science, Nursing-ABS Accelerated Option

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
YEAR 1	NURS 231-Examination of Role of Profess Nurse 4	NURS 474-Care of Persons with Mental Health Needs 5
	NURS 240-Pathophysiology 4	NURS 342 Adult Health I 5
	NURS 246-Foundation & Assmnt in Nsg Practice 6	NURS 343 Adult Health II 5
	Total 14	NURS 341a-Pharmacology for Nurses-Adult Medicine 2
		Total 17
	SUMMER	
	NURS 472-Nursing Research	1 or 3*
	NURS 354-Care of Women and Childbearing Families	5
	NURS 355-Care of Children and Adolescents	5
	NURS 341b-Pharmacology for Nsg-Specialty Courses	2
YEAR 2	Total	13 or 15
	NURS 481-Nursing Leadership and Management 3	Total Course Credits for Graduation 61 or 63
	NURS 482-Transition to Professional Practice Role 4	*Number of hours to be determined by instructor
	NURS 476-Care of Person with Complex Health Needs 5	
	NURS 475-Care of Populations 4	
	NURS 479a-Senior Assignment 1	
	Total 17	

Admission Requirements

Applications for admission are available starting April 1. The application deadline is September 1 or until the option is full.

An application to the School of Nursing will be considered complete and ready to be reviewed for admission when all of the following criteria are met:

- Admission to the University (requires submission of a university application plus a \$30 fee)
- Completion of a baccalaureate degree (in any major field) from an accredited college or university by the end of the spring semester preceding the fall enrollment term.
- Successful completion of the required admission prerequisite courses with a grade of C or better by the end of the spring semester preceding the fall enrollment term.
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (includes bachelor's degree cumulative GPA and any completed prerequisite coursework)
- Completed ABS application and Minimum Technical Standards form on file in the School of Nursing
- Official transcripts from all college/universities attended
- Two letters of reference completed by persons in an educational, administrative, or collegial capacity who have worked with the applicant closely in the past five years

Graduation Requirements

- Completion of 61 or 63 credit hours for the ABS Option
- Overall GPA of 2.0/4.0 scale
- Successful completion of School of Nursing Curriculum requirements
- Successful completion of Senior Assignment

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