

Southwestern Illinois College

Bachelor of Science in Nursing-Accelerated Option

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The post-baccalaureate Accelerated Bachelor of Science (ABS) in Nursing option allows students with a bachelor's degree in another area to attain a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree with a major in nursing through three (3) semesters and one (1) summer session. It is an intense, defined curriculum with a combination of classroom instruction and clinical experiences for students seeking a second baccalaureate degree from the School of Nursing.

Upon successful completion of the option, students are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-RN) to obtain their license as a registered nurse. Students must be dedicated and willing to attend classes as many as five (5) 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).

Admission Requirements

The application deadline is March 1 or until the option is full. Applications for admission are available from September 15 – March 1.

- Admission to the University (submission of a university application plus the \$40 application fee).
- Completion of a previous baccalaureate degree (in any major field) from an accredited college or university completed by the end of the spring semester preceding fall enrollment term.
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- 3.0 (4.0 scale) cumulative GPA as recorded by the degree granting institution in the term that the Bachelor's degree was awarded.
- All science courses must be completed within seven years of admission to the program.
- Completion of Accelerated Bachelor of Science (ABS) application.
- Prerequisite GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for the prerequisites **completed** by the application deadline of March 1 to be considered for admission. Any remaining prerequisites must be completed by May 31 with a minimum GPA of 3.0 for final admission (prior to fall enrollment in the ABS program).
- Successful completion of the following required prerequisite courses with grades of "C" or higher. A failed prerequisite course (D, F, or WF) may not be repeated more than once.

NOTE: CLEP exams for prerequisite requirements are only accepted if SIUE accepts the individual exam.

SWIC COURSES	SIUE EQUIVALENCIES
ENG 101	ENG 101
^BIOL 157	BIOL 240a
^BIOL 158	BIOL 240b
^BIOL 250	BIOL 250
^CHEM 101	CHEM 120a/124a
MATH 107 or 191	STAT 107 or 244
PHIL 152 or 156	PHIL 320 or 321
PSYC 151	PSYC 111
*PSYC 210	*PSYC 2xx

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*NURS 234 also meets SIUE's Life Span Development requirement.

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