

# GENERIC Program BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH A MAJOR IN NURSING

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The Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing is the flagship nursing program of the City University of New York. The School of Nursing is located on the Brookdale Campus of Hunter College, 425 E. 25<sup>th</sup> Street at 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue adjacent to The VA Hospital, Bellevue Hospital and NYU Medical Center. The Undergraduate program of study combines liberal arts and professional education with a humanistic and comprehensive approach to heath care, leading to a Bachelor of Science degree. On completion of the generic program, students are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN exam, the licensing examination for registered nurses. The undergraduate program also provides a foundation for graduate study at the Master's and Doctoral level, which are offered at the Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing and the CUNY Graduate Center.

#### The Generic Pathway consists of two parts:

- liberal arts, general education requirements and prerequisite courses
- professional nursing education

Students are considered for admission to the nursing program in the spring semester of their freshman year, after completing pre-requisite course work and an application to the School of Nursing. Only those admitted to the School of Nursing are allowed to declare nursing as their major. Admission to the School of Nursing is <a href="https://www.very.competitive">very.competitive</a>. At present, 100 students are admitted annually and no one is guaranteed a seat into the program. Students are required to attend the program on a full-time basis.

## Composite score for admission to the nursing major is as follows:

- Cumulative GPA (50%)
- NLN Pre-RN exam score (50%)

The composite scores of all students applying for admission during an academic year are rank ordered from highest to lowest. Students will be accepted for admission based on this ranked composite score and the completion of all other admission requirements. Applications that do not include all admission requirements will not be reviewed. Students must have a GPA of 3.2 or better in order to apply.

Admission decisions will be made in spring semester; however admission will be pending the completion of spring semester course work with the required GPA (due no later than June 1<sup>st</sup>). After admission, students must attend a mandatory orientation session in order to maintain their accepted status.

Clinical course schedules are determined by the School of Nursing based on resources and clinical facility availability. Clinical schedules may include day and/or evening hours, as well as any of the 7days of the week. Criminal background checks may be required by the clinical facilities. A student who has been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor will have to undergo investigation by the Office of Professional Discipline of New York State, which might result in denial of RN licensure.

Prior to beginning any course work in the nursing major, students are required to submit documentation of: health insurance, medical/ immunization records, professional liability insurance, and CPR certification. These documents are to be updated at the beginning of each academic year.

The medical record must include a statement from a primary health care provider that a student is fully capable of participating in clinical practice.

Student fees may include: tuition, lab fees, textbooks, standardized exam fees, health and liability insurance, criminal background checks, uniforms, and medical equipment.

#### Important Information

In order to participate in nursing clinical experiences, students must provide documentation of one of the following:

- 1) U.S. Citizenship
- 2) Permanent Residency
- 3) International Student with F1 Status
- 4) Granted Asylum, Refugee Status, Temporary Protected Status, Withholding of Removal, Deferred Enforced Departure\*; or Deferred Action Status by the U.S. government

#### HOW AND WHEN TO APPLY TO HUNTER COLLEGE

All students must apply to Hunter College as an Undergraduate student in the lower division via one of the following two categories:

• Freshman Application with the University Application Processing Center: <a href="http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/prospectivestudents/ug\_students/freshmen.shtml">http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/prospectivestudents/ug\_students/freshmen.shtml</a>

CUNY curriculum code: 0347

Fall application deadline: February 1 Spring application deadline: September 15

Once admitted to Hunter College, students must attend a **mandatory** Freshman Orientation session

#### • Transfer Students

Must complete a **Transfer Application** with the University Application Processing Center: <a href="http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/prospectivestudents/ug\_students/transfer.shtml">http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/prospectivestudents/ug\_students/transfer.shtml</a>

CUNY curriculum code: 0347
Fall application deadline: February 1
Spring application deadline: September 15

Once admitted to Hunter College, students must attend a **mandatory** Transfer Orientation session. Transfer credits will be evaluated at the orientation to ensure accurate course transfer and registration.

#### FIRST YEAR PREREQUISITE REQUIREMENTS

Fall Term	Spring Term
English Composition (ENGL 120) (3 cr)	Introduction to Literature (ENGL 220)* (3cr)
Elementary Probability and Statistics (STAT 113) (3 cr)	Human Development (PSYCH 150) (3cr)
Introduction to Psychology (PSYCH 100)	Essentials of Organic Chemistry Lecture and
(3cr)	Lab (CHEM 120 & 121) (4.5)
Essentials of General Chemistry Lecture and	US History (HIST 151, HIST 152 or POLSC
Lab (CHEM 100 & 101) (6 cr)	110) (3 cr)

\*Please note that ENGL 220 is not a prerequisite course. However, it is recommended that prospective nursing students take the required literature course for the Bachelors of Science degree prior to acceptance in the Nursing program.

#### NURSING MAJOR APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND RULES

Please read the following rules of application carefully. You must meet all requirements below.

- Students must file a separate application for admission to the Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing through NursingCAS on https://portal.nursingcas.org by February 1<sup>st</sup>
- Cumulative (all undergraduate grades from all courses from all schools) GPA of at least 3.2 by the end of the fall semester preceding nursing application. (on average admitted students have a GPA of 3.5)
- Pre-requisite courses must be taken for Credit
- No repeated prerequisite courses will be accepted
- Prerequisite Course of Study with a minimum grade of "B" in the science courses:
  - o General Chemistry with lab (CHEM 100/101) or higher equivalent course
  - o Organic Chemistry with lab (CHEM 120/121) or higher equivalent course
  - o Introduction to Statistics (STAT 113) or higher equivalent course
  - o English Composition (ENGL 120)
  - o General Psychology (PSYCH 100)
  - Human Development (Developmental Psychology of the Life Span) (PSYCH 150) 1 course
  - US History (HIST 151, HIST 152 or POLSC 110) 1 course
- May be enrolled in 4 of the pre-requisite courses during the Spring semester of application; however, must complete spring semester course work with a GPA of 3.2 or better and minimum grades of "B" or better in the science prerequisite courses no later than June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- A career goal statement is required with the NursingCAS application. Submission of the career goal statement is on the personal statement tab of the NursingCAS application.
- Completed at least 30 credits by the end of Summer session prior to beginning the nursing major
- Register for the National League for Nursing (NLN) RN Pre-Admission Exam (referred to as the NLN PAX exam) at the Hunter College Testing Center (150N) in January and pay the non-refundable exam fee
- Study for the NLN Pre-Admission Exam by purchasing the *NLN Review Guide for RN Pre-Entrance Exam*, editor: McDonald 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, Jones and Bartlett Publishers, available in most bookstores
- NLN RN Pre-Admission exam administered in February at Hunter College Testing Center (150N). Registration for the NLN exam is through http://www.nlnonlinetesting.org.
- You may apply online through NursingCAS on <a href="https://portal.nursingcas.org">https://portal.nursingcas.org</a> from November 30<sup>th</sup> through February 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications are due no later than February 1<sup>st</sup> to NursingCAS. Make sure to submit all official college transcripts to NursingCAS, including your Hunter College transcripts. Please note that the deadline for the application is subject to change.

## PROFESSIONAL NURSING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (60 credits)

• Students MUST attend full time

## **Second Year**

First Semester (Fall)

BIOL 120 Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4.5 cr)

NURS 200 Introduction to Nursing (2 cr)

NURS 210 Nursing Fundamentals and Health Assessment (4 cr)

NURS 240 Foundation of Genetics for Nurses (2 cr)

Humanities (3 cr) (see catalog)

#### Second Semester (Spring)

BIOL 122 Human Anatomy and Physiology II (4.5 cr)

BIOL 230 Fundamentals of Microbiology (3 cr)

NURS 220 Adult Health and Illness (4 cr)

NURS 331 Pharmacology I (3 cr)

#### **Third Year**

Third Semester (Fall)

NURS 380 Nursing Research and Theory (3 cr)

NURS 339 Pharmacology II (3 cr)

NURS 352Nursing Care of Women and Childbearing Families (4 cr)

NURS 332 Nutrition in the Nursing Process (2 cr)

Hunter Core (3 cr) (see catalog)

## Fourth Semester (Spring)

NURS 343 Pathophysiology and Nursing Care 4 (3 cr)

NURS 349 Foundation of Ethics and End of Life Care (3 cr)

NURS 360 Nursing Care of Infants, Children, and Adolescents (4 cr)

NURS 350 Independent Study (1.5 cr)\*

Hunter Core (3 cr) (see catalog)

#### Fourth Year

Fifth Semester (Fall)

NURS 455 Public Health Nursing (4 cr)

NURS 460 Mental and Behavioral Health Nursing (4 cr)

NURS Elective (2 cr)

Hunter Core (3 cr) (see catalog)

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## Sixth Semester (Spring)

NURS 470 Adult Acute Illness/ Immersion Clinical (4 cr)

NURS 490 Gerontological Nursing (4 cr)

NURS 492 Advanced Synthesis of Nursing Knowledge (2 cr)

NURS 422 Health Policy and Leadership (3 cr)

Hunter Core (3 cr) (see catalog)

\*<u>Note</u>: NURS 350 Independent Study requirement depends on credits obtained in CHEM 100 and CHEM 101.

## **NEED ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT? HAVE QUESTIONS?**

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