

Southwestern Illinois College

Bachelor of Science in Nursing-Accelerated Option

<http://www.siu.edu/academics/undergraduate/degrees-and-programs/nursing/accelerated-nursing/>

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

Applications for admission are available from September 15 - February 1. The application deadline is February 1 or until the option is full. This program begins in the fall term only and is offered in a traditional format.

- Admission to the University (submission of a university application plus the \$40 application fee).
- Completed nursing application on file in the School of Nursing by the application deadline date for fall admission.
- Completion of a baccalaureate degree (in any major field) from an accredited college or university completed by the end of the spring semester preceding fall enrollment term.
- 3.0 (4.0 scale) cumulative GPA as recorded by the degree granting institution in the term that the Bachelor's degree was awarded.
- Prerequisite GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all prerequisite courses. Any remaining prerequisites must be completed by May 31 (prior to fall enrollment).
- All science courses must be completed within seven years of admission to the program.
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended. May be submitted electronically to etranscripts@siue.edu
- Successful completion of the following required prerequisite courses with grades of "C" or higher:

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.

- NOTE: CLEP exams for prerequisite requirements are only accepted if SIUE accepts the individual exam.
- Applications are available at siue.edu/nursing or from the School of Nursing in Alumni Hall, Room 2117, or by calling 618-650-3956.

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