PATHWAYS

Two pathways for admission to the undergraduate pre-licensure nursing major:

- *Direct Admission*
- *Holistic Admission*

(See inside for more information)

PROGRAM FEATURES

Two campuses for completion of the upper division nursing major:

- Winona
- Rochester

Two opportunities to apply to the major each academic year:

- Apply by February 1 to begin the major in fall semester
- Apply by Sept 15 to begin the major in spring semester

Clinical experiences in each semester of the nursing major:

Primary hospital-based clinical partners:

- Emplify by Gundersen, La Crosse, WI
- Mayo Clinic Health Systems; various regional locations
- Mayo Clinic Hospital, Methodist Campus, Rochester, MN
- Mayo Clinic Hospital, Saint Marys Campus, Rochester, MN

WSU nursing students also complete clinical experiences in community and public health at sites including public health departments, schools, after school programs, and community agencies.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

(Compliance required at the end of semester of application)

- Become a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), and be listed as “active” on a Nursing Assistant Registry within the United States
- Current CPR/AED certification (only American Heart Association or American Red Cross Basic Life Support (BLS))
- Submit health information as required by the Nursing Department (such as immunizations)
- Pass Minnesota, Wisconsin, and national background checks

For more information about possible course sequences and the nursing curriculum, see our:

Major Map *Required Courses*

Additional Costs for Nursing Majors

- Transportation to and from clinical experiences
- Scrubs for clinicals
- Stethoscope
- eBooks and digital resources
  Current required book and digital resource package is $1,500, paid in term 1 and term 3
- Differential tuition for nursing credits
  (approx. $45 per credit, subject to change)

This list is not intended to include all possible additional costs.

NOTE: Nursing department policies and requirements are subject to change. Updates will be posted to the Undergraduate Nursing website.

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PRE-NURSING

The first two years prepare students for their nursing education and their application to the nursing major.

Prerequisite Courses:

Natural Sciences:

*You must have **4 natural sciences completed to apply** to the program. You must complete all remaining natural sciences before starting the program.*

1. BIOL211: Anatomy & Physiology I
2. BIOL212: Anatomy & Physiology II
3. BIOL209: Microbiology
4. HERS205: Nutrition for Lifetime Wellness
   - or BIOL206: Normal Nutrition
5. CHEM210: General, Organic, & Biochem
   - or CHEM212: Principles of Chemistry I
   - AND CHEM213: Principles of Chemistry II

Social Sciences

*You must have **3 social sciences completed to apply** to the program. You must complete all remaining natural sciences before starting the program.*

1. PHIL221: Ethics & Healthcare
2. PSY210: Intro to Psychology
3. PSY250: Developmental Psychology
4. SOC212: Sociology of Families

General Requirements

*You must have **both general requirements completed to apply** to the program.*

1. ENG111: College Reading and Writing
2. STAT110: Fundamentals of Statistics
   - or STAT210 or STAT305 or PSY231)

Eligibility to Apply

1. Admitted to WSU with a declared pre-nursing major (PNDA: Direct or PNHA: Holistic)
2. Completed nursing prerequisites, with a grade of C or better:
   - At least 4 natural sciences
   - At least 3 social sciences
   - Both General Requirements

   All nursing prerequisites must be completed before beginning the nursing major.
3. At least 45 completed college credits
   - At least 12 college credits must be completed post high school graduation.
4. Cumulative College GPA
   - At least 3.75 (PNDA: Direct Admission)
   - At least 3.0 (PNHA: Holistic Admission)

DIRECT ADMISSION

Direct Admission status guarantees admission if requirements below are maintained.

Initial Eligibility (Getting Direct Admission)

- New entering first year student declaring a pre-nursing major when enrolling at WSU
- Qualifying Test Score: Composite ACT of 27 or above, or SAT of 1280 or above

The Direct Admission Agreement must be completed within the first two weeks of the student's first semester as a degree-seeking student at WSU.

Maintaining Direct Admission Status (Keeping Direct Admission)

- Cumulative college GPA of at least 3.75 at time of application to nursing major
- Earn a grade of C or better in all nursing prerequisite classes
- No withdrawal from (W) or repeat of nursing prerequisite classes once enrolled at WSU
  - Students who completed grade-bearing college credits while in high school and received a grade of W, D, or F in a nursing prerequisite course may repeat the course prior to their first day of class as a new entering first semester student at WSU without invalidating their eligibility for Direct Admission.
- Complete 10 hours of volunteer/community service work per fall and spring semester while a degree-seeking student at WSU
- See assigned WSU nursing advisor every semester
- Satisfactorily complete an interview about interest in nursing with assigned advisor prior to application to the major
- Meet all eligibility requirements for application to the major no later than the end of the student's third semester at WSU

A student who fails to maintain direct admission status may apply through holistic admission.

HOLISTIC ADMISSION

Students without direct admission and transfer students will apply via the Holistic Pathway

All students applying to the Pre-Licensure Nursing major, must have 12 college credits completed or in-progress post high school graduation.

To apply through Holistic Admission

- Meet eligibility to apply regarding completed prerequisite courses and college credits
- Have an ATI TEAS Score on file with the WSU Undergrad Nursing department. Minimum accepted score is 58.7
- Cumulative college GPA of at least 3.0 at time of application to the nursing major
- Complete 10 hours of volunteer/community service work per fall and spring semester while a degree-seeking student at WSU
- Submit a current personal statement, including motivation to be a nurse, influences for this decision, and experiences in healthcare

Holistic Admission Criteria

1. **Academic Achievement**
   - Cumulative college GPA
   - ATI Teas minimum proficiency score of 58.7
2. **Personal Achievement**
   - Volunteer/Community Service
   - Personal Statement
3. **Interview** (Applicants may qualify for the interview process based on their scores for Academic and Personal Achievement.)

For more information about application pathways: