

## NURSING PROGRAMS AT UB

Program specific information can be found through the University Bridgeport website: of bridgeport.edu/academics/schools-colleges/school-nursing.

The nursing programs at UB are designed to prepare a graduate nurse for entry-level practice in a variety of healthcare settings, to provide the foundation for continued education as a life-long learner, and to contribute to quality patient outcomes. Currently, international students are not eligible to apply to UBSN programs.

## University of Bridgeport School of Nursing Mission

The mission of the University of Bridgeport School of Nursing (UBSN) is congruent with the mission of the University of Bridgeport. The mission of the School of Nursing is to prepare evidence-based, innovative nurse leaders and practitioners who are committed to the promotion of health equity, and social justice through excellence in education, practice, and service.

## **Program Highlights**

- Apply the nursing process to provide patient-centered, evidence-based, clinically competent, contemporary professional nursing care.
- Promote healthy lifestyles through health education, health promotion strategies and population-focused interventions.
- Comprehend system-based practice and its impact on safe, guality patient care within the scope of • professional nursing practice.
- Practice within the values, ethics, and legal standards of professional nursing.

#### ADN BSN ABSN **On-Campus** • Part-Time On-Campus • Full-Time Format On-Campus • Full-time Evenings Accelerated 15 months Duration 5 semesters 3 years Start Term Spring Summer Fall Fall Spring Summer 02.01 **Application Deadline** 10.01 06.01 02.01 10.01 **Bachelor's degree required?** No No Yes **TEAS scores required?** Yes Yes No **Completion of prerequisites** YES Yes (See details) Yes (See details) required?

## **Nursing Program Formats**

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## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN) PROGRAM**

Admission to the Nursing Program through the University of Bridgeport School of Nursing (UBSN) is highly competitive. In addition to the general requirements listed below, candidates are also expected to have completed a rigorous curriculum of general education, math, and science foundation coursework, as listed in the Program Prerequisites below, to be eligible to apply. Relevant admissions information can be found below for each applicant student type.

Assessment Technologies Institute Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS VII) examination scores will be used in the evaluation of candidates for the BSN Program. The national average for the TEAS exam is 70 (minimum required score is 58).

For additional information about BSN Program admission requirements and curriculum, visit the program website at: bridgeport.edu/bsn. Additionally, candidates are encouraged to attend a UBSN Information Session or Open House. To view upcoming events, please visit bridgeport.edu/events.

#### **Introduction to Nursing and Clinical Preparation**

The nursing curriculum begins in sophomore year with an emphasis on patient safety. In UB's Nursing Skills and Simulation Center, students will learn and practice nursing competencies prior to providing direct patient care.

#### **Clinical Experience and Education**

Nursing students begin clinical experiences in the second semester of their sophomore year. Clinical sites vary depending on course objectives and content. Sites include local hospitals, such as Bridgeport Hospital, schools, medical offices, and more. Clinical hours include laboratory and simulation experiences in all nursing clinical courses.

#### **Graduation Requirements and Outcome**

To graduate from the BSN program, students must complete 55 credits in general education and 65 credits in nursing, totaling 120 credits. All students will complete the Nursing Capstone. Along with a solid foundation in nursing, graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN<sup>®</sup> Exam).

#### **Traditional BSN Program Structure**

#### **Pre-Nursing Curriculum**

Students begin their journey towards a BSN in freshman year. Students enroll in general education courses including the pre-requisites required in the nursing program and therefore follow a pre-nursing curriculum. Between October 1, 2024 - February 1, 2025, UB Students interested in pursuing a BSN must apply to the School of Nursing and submit all necessary documents. Students admitted to the BSN program will begin core courses in the fall of their sophomore year. New transfer students may be eligible to enter directly into the Sophomore Year.

### **Accelerated BSN Program Structure**

The University of Bridgeport School of Nursing (UBSN), Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) program is designed for those students who hold a bachelor's degree in another field other than nursing. This accelerated track incorporates the previous non-nursing bachelor's level course education and experience and allows the student to earn a BSN degree in fifteen months.

#### **Clinical Experience and Education**

ABSN students begin clinical experiences in the second semester. Clinical sites vary depending on course objectives and content. Sites include local hospitals, such as Bridgeport Hospital, schools, medical offices, and more. Clinical hours include laboratory and simulation experiences in all nursing clinical courses.



#### **Graduation Requirements and Outcome**

To graduate from the ABSN program, students must complete 64 credits in general education and 56 credits in nursing, totaling 120 credits. Along with a solid foundation in nursing, graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN<sup>®</sup> Exam).

### **Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) General Admission Requirements**

- Traditional BSN Program: Students may apply to the traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing program beginning August 1<sup>st</sup> and should submit all required documents by February 1<sup>st</sup> to be considered for admission into the BSN program.
- Accelerated BSN Program: Students may apply to the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing program on a rolling basis. Once the program is filled, your application can be considered for the next incoming class. Applications are considered completed once all documents as listed are received. Priority deadline for application is October 1 for the January start and January 20 for the May start.
- Applicants must achieve a C+ or better in all Math and Science courses (including but not limited to Anatomy & Physiology I & II, Chemistry, and Algebra) and a minimum cumulative Quality Point Ratio (QPR) of 3.0 to apply to the BSN Program.
- Math and science coursework must be completed within seven years prior to applying to the BSN Program.
- ATI TEAS VII Examination official score report sent from ATI directly with scores taken no earlier than 2 years prior to date of application.

Students can have prerequisite coursework in progress after February 1<sup>st</sup>, however Anatomy & Physiology I, must be completed prior to the February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. All additional prerequisite coursework must be completed prior to matriculation that starts fall of sophomore year.

#### **BSN Program Prerequisites**

Anatomy & Physiology I	4 credits	English Composition	3 credits
Anatomy & Physiology II	4 credits	Introduction to Psychology	3 credits
Introductory Chemistry	4 credits	Lifespan Development	3 credits
Introduction to College Algebra	3 credits	Principles of Sociology	3 credits

Additional Requirements for ABSN Program						
Microbiology	4 credits	Nutrition	3 credits			
Statistics	3 credits					

### ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM STRUCTURE

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Assessment Technologies Institute Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS VII) examination scores will be used in the evaluation of candidates for the ADN Program. The national average for the TEAS exam is 70 (minimum required score is 58).



#### Introduction to Nursing and Clinical Preparation

The nursing curriculum begins with an emphasis on patient safety. In UB's Nursing Skills and Simulation Center, students will learn and practice nursing competencies prior to providing direct patient care.

#### **Clinical Experience and Education**

Nursing students begin clinical experiences in the first semester of their program. Clinical sites vary depending on course objectives and content. Sites include local hospitals, such as Bridgeport Hospital, schools, medical offices, and more. Clinical hours include laboratory and simulation experiences in all nursing clinical courses.

#### **Graduation Requirements and Outcome**

To graduate from the ADN program, students must complete 31 credits in general education and 40 credits in nursing, totaling 71 credits. Along with a solid foundation in nursing, graduates of the program will be eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN<sup>®</sup> Exam).

#### Associate Degree of Science in Nursing (ADN) General Admission Requirements

- Students may apply to the Associate Degree of Science in Nursing program on a rolling basis. Once the program is filled, your application can be considered for the next incoming class. Applications are considered completed once all documents as listed are received.
- Applicants must achieve a C+ or better in all Math and Science courses (Anatomy & Physiology I & II, Microbiology, Chemistry, and Algebra) and a minimum cumulative Quality Point Ratio (QPR) of 2.75 to apply to the ADN Program.
- Math and science coursework must be completed within five years prior to applying to the ADN Program.
- ATI TEAS VII Examination official score report sent from ATI directly with scores taken no earlier than 2 years prior to date of application.
- Students who have been dismissed from the UBSN BSN or ABSN program are ineligible to apply for the ADN program.

#### • ADN Program Prerequisites

Anatomy & Physiology I	4 credits	English Composition	3 credits
Anatomy & Physiology II	4 credits	Introduction to Psychology	3 credits
Introductory Chemistry	4 credits	Lifespan Development	3 credits
Introduction to College Algebra	3 credits	Principles of Sociology	3 credits
Microbiology	4 credits		

Admission to the Nursing Program is highly competitive. Meeting the minimum criteria does not guarantee admission.



## **PROGRAM APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Please use this checklist to help guide you through the application process. An electronic version of this checklist will be available to you upon completion of the online application.

## **New Applicant Required Material Checklist**

- Completed University of Bridgeport Application\* (www.bridgeport.edu/apply)
- □ Official High School/GED Transcripts
- □ Transcripts from ALL Colleges/Universities Previously Attended
- **C** School of Nursing Supplemental Application Form
- ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS VII) Examination Score Results (Sent directly from ATI) (BSN and ADN applicants)
- **Two Completed Professional Recommendation Forms**

Please review the Recommendation Form for specifics. Each recommendation form must be placed in a sealed envelope with the referrer's signature across the closure OR emailed by the recommender to <u>admit@bridgeport.edu</u>. Letters are not encouraged.

#### Essay

The essay helps us become acquainted with you as a person and will demonstrate your ability to organize and express your thoughts. You **must** respond to the designated essay prompt on page 15. The prompt is:

#### "Write a short thank you note to a person you have not yet thanked and would like to acknowledge."

You may attach additional details of circumstances or qualifications not reflected in the application, especially when a previous semester's GPA or nursing coursework is not satisfactory. Please explain why you should be admitted, and what is different now since your previous academic record. The candidate should include their name, date, and signature on the statement.

- \* Current UB students will submit materials through the School of Nursing and hand them in to Administrative Coordinator, Farris Milling in the Health Science Center, Room 734.
- \* External Applicants to the Nursing Program should apply using the University of Bridgeport Online Application, and upload all supplemental items through their online account, including unofficial transcripts. If accepted, any outstanding final, official transcripts will be required, and should be sent to:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions University of Bridgeport 126 Park Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604



### What are you looking for from applicants to the School of Nursing?

Admission to the School of Nursing is highly competitive and selective. Our faculty are involved in the process from the very beginning. We are looking for students who have developed an interest in healthcare as a career and who have an interest in the type of curriculum we are offering. The review committee, comprised of faculty from the School of Nursing and the Office of Admissions, will review applications. Interviews are not required but may be requested on a case-by-case basis.

The review committee considers all aspects of the application. We are looking for motivated individuals who have taken their academic preparation seriously. An applicant's motivation for a career as a Nurse is very important in our selection process.

Due to the competitive nature of the program, most successful candidates will have met more than just minimum requirements. For further information regarding the application process to the School of Nursing, please visit bridgeport.edu/nursing.

### How many students are accepted into the Nursing Program?

- **Traditional BSN Program:** Each Fall semester, a total of 50-60 BSN students are accepted into the School of Nursing. These students are a combination of new freshmen and UB pre-nursing curriculum students, transfer applicants, and current UB students who are changing their major to Nursing.
- Accelerated BSN Program: Each session (January or May), a total of 30 ABSN students are accepted into the School of Nursing.
- **ADN Program:** Each session (January, May, September), a total of 40 ADN students are accepted into the School of Nursing.

### When should I apply? Is there an application deadline?

- Traditional BSN Program: UB BSN applicants are expected to complete their full application for admission to the BSN Program by February 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications are considered complete once all documents, as listed on page 5 of this packet, have been submitted. New transfer applicants will work directly with Admissions to complete this process. University of Bridgeport students in the pre-nursing curriculum and internal change of major students will work directly with the School of Nursing to complete this process.
- Accelerated BSN Program: There are a limited number of seats for the ABSN program. Students are
  encouraged to submit their application and materials as early as possible to be considered for the incoming
  class. Once the program is filled, your application can be considered for the next incoming class.
  Applications are considered completed once all documents as listed are received.
  Priority deadline for
  application is October 1 for the January start and January 20 for the May start.
- ADN Program: There are 40 seats for each cohort for the ADN program. Students are encouraged to submit their application and materials as early as possible to be considered for the incoming class. Once the program is filled, your application can be considered for the next incoming class. Applications are considered completed once all documents as listed are received. Priority deadline for application is October 1 for the January start, February 1 for the May start, and June 1 for the September start.



### How can I assess my eligibility for admission?

- Traditional BSN Program: All candidates are eligible to apply to the BSN program, but eligibility for admission will only be assessed by the UB School of Nursing after February 1<sup>st</sup> for those who have met the admission deadline. Using the documents contained in this guide, especially the Supplemental Application, candidates should self-identify their eligibility for entry into the BSN program. Candidates may apply while prerequisite coursework is in-progress, as long as the progression of prerequisite coursework will allow completion of all prerequisites prior to the start of the BSN program.
- Accelerated BSN Program: All candidates are eligible to apply to the ABSN program. Eligibility for admissions will only be assessed by the UB school of Nursing using the documents contained in this guide. Candidates may apply while prerequisite coursework is in-progress if the progression of prerequisite coursework will allow completion of all prerequisites prior to the start of the ABSN program.
- **ADN Program:** All candidates are eligible to apply to the ADN program. Eligibility for admissions will only be assessed by the UB school of Nursing using the documents contained in this guide. Candidates may apply while prerequisite coursework is in-progress if the progression of prerequisite coursework will allow completion of all prerequisites prior to the start of the ADN program. Students who have been dismissed from the UBSN BSN or ABSN program are ineligible to apply for admission in the ADN program.

### Do you offer a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) to Registered Nurse (RN) bridge program?

We do not offer an LPN to RN bridge program. However, LPNs are encouraged to apply to either the Bachelor of Science in Nursing or the Associate Degree in Nursing program as new transfer applicants. LPNs will be reviewed according to all transfer standards as listed in the Admissions page linked above. Transfer credit may be awarded for general education coursework that meets basic transfer criteria and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. However, credit will not be awarded for practical nursing coursework or experience at this time.

### Is experience in the healthcare field required for admission to the School of Nursing?

While experience is not required, applicants to the School of Nursing may find it beneficial to volunteer within the healthcare field. Additionally, all Nursing candidates may receive further admissions consideration based on relevant work and volunteer experience within healthcare.

### Are any of the Programs offered entirely online, in the evening, or on weekends?

Courses within the curriculum of the BSN/ABSN program are generally available Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM. Labs and clinical may be scheduled during evening hours. Additionally, students should expect to be enrolled on a full-time basis, meaning enrolled in 12 or more credit hours per semester. However, for the traditional BSN program, general education and pre-requisite coursework within the Pre-Nursing Curriculum may be available in alternate formats, such as online, evening, or weekend offerings.

Important Note: to maintain scholarship eligibility, students must enter UB with full-time status, and maintain full-time status throughout the entirety of their enrollment with the University.

The ADN program is designated as a part-time evening program. Classes will be held in the evenings starting at 6:00PM and clinicals may occur in the evenings or on the weekends.

Please note: If you are a current UB student applying to the ABSN program, no merit/academic based scholarships can be applied to the ABSN program.

Can I tour campus and visit the Nursing Skills and Simulation Center site before being accepted?



Yes, it is strongly encouraged that all prospective students tour campus. Candidates are strongly encouraged to attend an Open House or School of Nursing Information Session. To view upcoming UBSN and Admissions events, please visit bridgeport.edu/visit.

### Is there an entrance examination required for admission to the School of Nursing?

All students applying to the traditional BSN, or the ADN are also required to take the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (ATI TEAS) Examination no earlier than 2 years prior to date of application, and the score must be submitted by application deadline. Registration for TEAS testing dates at UB can be made at atitesting.com. All scores are accepted currently, however, the higher the score, the stronger the candidate. The national average for the TEAS exam is 70 (minimum required score is 58).

The TEAS test is not required for admission to the ABSN program.

#### Do you accept transfer students from other nursing programs?

Each candidate will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. To determine eligibility, all candidates must complete an application for admission to the program by the program deadline to receive consideration.

### When will I know if I am accepted or not?

Bachelor of Science in Nursing candidates must complete their full application process by February 1st. It is recommended to complete your application to the Nursing program before the priority deadline. Students who apply by the priority deadline can expect to hear back within 1-2 months.

Review of completed applications will commence after February 1st, and all decision letters will be issued via mail by April 1st of each year.

### How long will it take me to complete the program?

- **Traditional BSN Program:** Students should expect to complete a three-year curriculum in the BSN program. Though the maximum number of transfer credits accepted into the BSN is 60, the progression of clinical work is expected to take 6 full-time semesters, or 3 academic years.
- Accelerated BSN Program: Students should expect to complete the curriculum in the ABSN program in 15 months. Though the maximum number of transfer credits accepted into the ABSN is 64, the progression of clinical work is expected to take 4 full semesters. Due to the intensive full-time expectations, it is not recommended that students work outside of their academic studies.
- ADN program: Students are expected to be part-time and take 8 credits/semester. There are 5 semesters
  of nursing course work. During the last 2 semesters, students may work with their adviser to determine if
  general education coursework towards their RN-BSN may be added to their semester credit load.

### Are there scholarships available for UB School of Nursing students?

- **Traditional BSN Program:** All School of Nursing candidates will be considered for academic scholarships simply by applying to the University.
- Accelerated BSN and ADN Program: While there are no academic scholarships for these programs, financial aid and payment plans are available.

All candidates should complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for additional financial aid opportunities and considerations. For additional information on tuition, financial aid, and scholarships, visit



bridgeport.edu/finaid.



# Will I be required to travel off campus to complete clinical hours if I am accepted into the UB Nursing Program?

UBSN's affiliation with major area hospitals provides sufficient clinical opportunities for students. Additionally, a variety of outside clinical facilities are selected to provide students with a wide range of learning experiences in nursing. Personal transportation is required to travel to the off-campus clinical sites. Students may be expected to travel up to 75 miles to a clinical site.

#### What is required of me once I am accepted?

Once a student has been accepted and has committed, they will be required to submit UB Health and Immunization Records. It is the student's responsibility to complete and comply with all requirements and any costs associated with them. All required forms and accompanying information will be sent to students via mail and email. If accepted into the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program, additional requirements— which include annual physical, immunizations, background checks and drug testing—will be required. For additional admissions information, please visit: bridgeport.edu/academics/schools-colleges/school-nursing.

### Is your Nursing Program licensed and accredited?

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is approved by the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing and licensed by the Connecticut Office of Higher Education. The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at the University of Bridgeport is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), 655 K Street NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20001, 202-887-6791.

The ADN program, the Associate Degree in Nursing program, is pending approval by the State of CT Board of Examiners of Nursing and licensed by the Connecticut Office of Higher Education. Application to (ACEN) will be initiated once the program starts.

### What is the job placement/salary outlook for Nursing?

The School of Nursing has a strong clinical outreach program. Student educational experiences are rich in both lecture content and clinical application of knowledge. Job placement and salary outlook have been outstanding in both a strong and weak economy. For further industry information, visit: bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/registered-nurses.htm.



## NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION (ADN, BSN, ABSN) Prerequisite Completion Form, Checklist and Essay

Thank you for choosing the University of Bridgeport's School of Nursing to continue your academic success!

 Prerequisites must be completed by the application term deadline with a C<sup>+</sup> or greater, and official transcripts must be received by the Admissions Office no later than the application term deadline (see table back on page 1) There is no limit to the number of times students can apply to our program, but there is no guarantee that a submitted application(s) will result in program acceptance and/or enrollment.

The following document is a Prerequisite Completion Form indicating all the required prerequisites for each Program. You are required to provide a self-evaluation for the courses you have completed and/or plan to complete.

#### Completed Courses

Use the Prerequisite Form to list the College/University you have completed each course along with the full title of the course, including the course number. Applicants must also list the semester they took the course, the grade they received, and the number of credits the course was worth. Math/ Science courses must have a minimum grade of a C+ to be considered complete. All science courses must be a minimum of 4 credits and include a lab component.

#### Academic History

Please use the Academic History Form to list all the colleges/universities for which you have attended and received college credit. You must list your final cumulative GPA, the total number of completed credits, and whether the transcript you submitted to the Admissions Office is up to date with the most recent information. This same information MUST be included when completing the Undergraduate Transfer Application. Failure to list your entire post-secondary history may result in an incomplete application and ineligibility for review.

#### • Personal & Professional Background

Applicants can provide additional personal and professional details and experiences that may contribute to their qualifications and motivations to pursue their nursing education. This area is meant to provide additional supportive information, only if applicable, to the nursing essay.

#### **Disclaimer:**

I submit this checklist and attached forms as a true representation of my application and academic success. I understand that my courses listed on the Prerequisite Completion Form are unofficial until approved by University of Bridgeport. I understand that an incomplete application will result in my inability to be reviewed by the Nursing Admissions Committee. I understand that it is my responsibility to read through the checklist very carefully, ensure that all proper documentation has been received, and meet all eligibility requirements. I understand that it is my responsibility to meet and submit proper documentation of the following criteria by the respective application deadline for proper admission review: essay submission, proper prerequisite completion with a C<sup>+</sup> or greater, no more than 2 prerequisite repeats below a C<sup>+</sup> (p.4), official transcripts sent to and received by the Transfer Admissions & Services Office, submit my online application and have conferred BA/BS degree the application deadline, and a CUM GPA of 3.0 or greater. I understand that application submission does not guarantee acceptance into the nursing program. I understand that it is my responsibility to utilize all the available resources to fully understand the requirements of the BSN program, which include but are not limited to the BSN Information Sessions, website, CT transfer equivalency tools, Out-Of-State Transfer Tool, and financial commitments. I understand that it is my responsibility to gain the necessary information to understand whether or not I qualify for financial aid, and through which terms financial aid is offered if applicable.



I hereby agree that, if accepted, I will submit to and comply with drug testing and a confidential background check.

Sig	nature	Date						
Ple	Please indicate the program and cohort entry term to which you are applying							
	ADN		BSN		ABSN			
	Spring (App deadline 10/01) Summer (App deadline 02/01) Fall (App deadline 06/01)		Fall (App deadline Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup> )		Spring (App deadline 10/1) Summer (App deadline 1/20)			
Application Status								

### **Previous College/University Information**

(Official transcripts from ALL schools are required for an admissions decision)

## PERSONAL DATA

Name ,			Former Name (if applicable)			
	Last,	First	Middle			
Studer	nt ID (UB studer	nts only)				
Primary Email address		ress				
Preferred Phone				Alternate Phone		
Street Address				Apt. #		
City			State	Zip		

Have you been charged with or convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor since your sixteenth birthday? Yes No

If yes, please attach a separate page that includes date for each incident, explains the circumstances, and reflects on what you have learned from the experiences.



## ACADEMIC DATA

#### **Prerequisite Completion**

Prerequisite Course	College Attended/ Plan to Attend	Course Title/ Number	Semester & Year	# of credits	Grade
BIO 113 Anatomy & Physiology I					
BIO 114 Anatomy & Physiology II					
CHEM 113 General Chemistry I					
MAT 103 College Algebra					
ENG 101 English					
PSY 103 Intro to Psychology					
<b>PSY 205</b> Lifespan Development					
SOC 101 Sociology					
Additional Requirem	ents for ABSN Program				
BIO 106 Microbiology					
MAT 203 Statistics					
HSCI 230 Nutrition					
Example A: PSY103	University of Bridgeport	General Psychology (PSY100)	Spring '16	<mark>3</mark>	<mark>A-</mark>
Example B: PSY100	Gateway Community College	General Psychology (PSY111)	Fall '24	<mark>3</mark>	TBD

Notes:

- If you have withdrawn from or retaken one or more nursing college courses or prerequisites, you may
  include a brief explanation, on a separate attachment, explaining the reason(s) for the course withdrawal(s)
  or repeat(s).
- No more than 2 nursing prerequisite repeats are allowed due to a course grade below a C+. If you are
  repeating a prerequisite because your initial grade was below a C+, this is only allowed 2 times. If you have
  earned more than 2 grades below a C+ for any of the required prerequisites, you are ineligible to apply.
  Please contact the School of Nursing for additional clarification if needed.
- CLEP scores must be noted and official documentation MUST be sent to the Admissions Office. Only scores of 51 or higher are accepted. Please plan accordingly as this process takes several weeks.



#### Previous College/University Information (Official transcripts from ALL schools are required)

Full academic history includes ALL academic institutions you have attended since graduation from high school, and any college credit you received in high school. This same information MUST be included when completing the Undergraduate Transfer Application for Admission. Failure to list and submit all academic history may result in an incomplete application and may make your application ineligible for review. A conferred BA/BS degree is a REQUIREMENT for the Accelerated BSN Program by the application term deadline.

Note: Military transcripts and International transcripts MUST be noted below and sent to the Transfer Admissions & Services Office. Only the Transfer Admissions & Services Office are authorized to evaluate military and international credits.

	College/University City, State	Degree/Year	GPA	Credits	Transcript Current?
Example C	University of Bridgeport Bridgeport, CT	BS, Biology	<mark>3.0</mark>	<mark>120</mark>	Yes



By submitting this completed form in its entirety, I understand that it is my responsibility to:

- Upload my essay, as outlined by the requirements listed on program specific website, to the online portal by the application deadline;
- Submit my completed Checklist & Prerequisite Form to the online portal by the application term deadline;
- Ensure that I have all proper equivalents for the required prerequisites and complete all the math/ science courses with a C+ or greater by the respective application term deadline. I understand that if I do not have ALL prerequisites done by the application date, my application will be pushed forward one application term. If my application remains incomplete after the next entry term, I will need to reapply to the program;
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher by the respective application term deadline for the BSN, ABSN program and a cumulative GPA of 2.75 for the ADN program;
- Provide a true and inclusive history of my academic performance and schools attended;
- Verify that all my official transcripts have been received by the Transfer Admissions & Services Office by the respective application term deadline;
- Verify that all applicable CLEP and/or AP College Board reports have been received by the Transfer Admissions & Services Office by the respective application term deadline;
- Not have more than 2 prerequisite retakes due to a course grade below a C<sup>+</sup>. If you are repeating a
  prerequisite because your initial grade was below a C<sup>+</sup>, this is only allowed two (2) times. If you have more
  than two (2) repeats, for any of the required prerequisites, you are ineligible to apply. Please contact the
  School of Nursing for additional clarification if needed;
- I understand that being previously dismissed from a nursing program means I need to explain my situation and what I will do differently if admitted to the UB nursing program.

I understand that failure to carefully review and submit the items above results in an incomplete application and I will not be considered for a UBSN program for the respective admission cycle.

Signature

Date\_\_\_\_\_



## PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

## Essay

The following questions are scored as part of the admissions criteria. Applicants are encouraged to provide accurate information for the items listed below only if they apply to the applicant. Please answer the following questions in essay format. The essay may not exceed 200 words, and it should be double-spaced, and completed in 12-point font. Your essay will be evaluated on spelling, grammar, completeness, and appropriateness of content, and writing ability. Please indicate the word count for each essay. You may use the space below or submit a separate essay page.

One of the qualities of a professional nurse is to recognize strengths and uniqueness of individuals. Many times, we fail to take the time to thank those who have helped us on our journey through life.

Write a short thank you note to a person you have not yet thanked and would like to acknowledge. Word Count Total:

If dismissed from a previous nursing program, please respond what you would do differently to succeed in a nursing program at University of Bridgeport. Word Count Total:



## **Healthcare/Volunteer Work**

Do you possess any of the following certifications? Indicate all that apply. If none, you may skip this question.

**Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)** If yes, please list expiration date: □ Paramedic If yes, please list expiration date: Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) If yes, please list expiration date: Certified Medical Assistant (CMA) If yes, please list expiration date: Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT) If yes, please list expiration date: □ Patient Care Technician (PCT) If yes, please list expiration date: □ Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) If yes, please list expiration date: Physical Therapy Aide (PTA) If yes, please list expiration date: Other: If yes, please list expiration date: Other: If yes, please list expiration date:



## **RECOMMENDATION INFORMATION**

Two (2) professional/work recommendations from a professor/teacher/instructor or an employer/supervisor are required for an admissions decision. Letters of recommendation are not accepted. Please use the attached recommendation forms.

Name of Referrer	Title	Relationship

I hereby apply for admission to the University of Bridgeport and agree to abide by its regulations. Drug testing and a security background check are required prior to or at the start of classes. UBSN will deny a student's admission if drug testing is positive. The School of Nursing may revoke admission if required pre-requisite coursework is not completed or a C+ in the math and science courses is not attained.

To the best of my knowledge, the information I have provided is accurate and complete. I understand that any falsification of information will result in dismissal from the School of Nursing at the University of Bridgeport. The undersigned agrees that the information furnished on the Application for Admission, together with all information and materials of any kind received by the Office of Admissions from any source, or prepared by anyone at its request, "...shall become part of the applicant's educational records, if accepted as a student, and will be dealt with as to confidentially and/or disclosure or inspection by the student or third parties, in accordance with the provisions of the status laws of the United States entitled "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)'."

I am confirming my ability to meet qualifications for entrance into the School of Nursing program.

Signature	_ Date	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date	
(If applicant is under 18, the applicant and a parent or guardian mu	ust sign.)	

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#### To the Applicant

You will need two completed recommendation forms. They may be from a professor/teacher/instructor, and/or an employer/supervisor. Provide this form to the Referrer. Please print your name on the line below.

#### Applicant's Name

#### Check one of the following statements, and sign your name below:

- □ I waive my right of access to this recommendation/evaluation and recognize that it will remain confidential.
- □ I do not waive my right of access to this recommendation/evaluation and will be able to see my evaluation.

Applicant's Signature

Date

#### **Application Status**

□ First Time Application □ Reapplication □ Internal Transfer □ External Transfer

#### To the Referrer

The Applicant is applying to the University of Bridgeport School of Nursing. Please complete this form (print or type) and return it to Admissions in a sealed envelope with your signature written across the closure OR email the form directly to admit@bridgeport.edu. Thank you for your assistance.

#### **Knowledge of the Applicant**

I have known the applicant for yea	ar(s), month	n(s).			
I know the Applicant		Very Well	Moderately Wel	I 🗆 Slig	ghtly
Nature of my contact with the Applicant		Academic	Employment	🗆 Oth	ner
<b>Evaluation of the Applicant</b>	:				
	Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	No Basis for Comment
Judgment/Analytical Ability					
Organizational Skills					
Reliability/Responsibility					
Integrity					
Interpersonal Skills					
Scholarship Potential					
Initiative					
Motivation					
Teamwork					
Empathy					
<b>Overall Endorsement of the</b>	Applicant:				
Highly recommend		□ Recommend	l	Recommend w	ith reservation
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Additional Comments (If necessary, please use an additional sheet of paper.)

Referrer's Signature

New Applicants Return to:

Office of Admissions 126 Park Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604 P: 203-576-4552/F: 203-576-4941 Internal UB Students Return to:

School of Nursing 60 Lafayette Street, Room 734 Bridgeport, CT 06604 P: 203-576-2345

Date