

Application and Information Packet

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UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS - FORT SMITH

College of Health Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree

RN-BSN ONLINE COMPLETION PROGRAM



Mail to: University of Arkansas - Fort Smith
College of Health Sciences
Advising Coordinator
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Fort Smith, Arkansas 72913-3649

CAROLYN MCKELVEY MOORE SCHOOL OF NURSING
Application for Admission
Bachelor of Science in Nursing
(RN-BSN Online Completion)

- 1. Complete this application. (Type or print legibly)
2. If classes are in progress at another institution, please attach a schedule of those classes.

Name Last First Middle Maiden

Cell Phone# Home Phone# Work Phone#

E-mail Address

Mailing Address Street Number or P O Box City State Zip

Student ID# Date of Birth

List all Colleges, Universities, or Other Schools Attended (if more room needed, please continue on back):

Table with 2 columns: Institution, Dates Attended. Rows 1 and 2.

Have you been previously enrolled in a nursing program? Yes No. If you answered yes, please complete the following.

- 1. Indicate the institution, program and dates of attendance:
2. Indicate status: Graduate Dismissed (explain) Other (explain)
3. Attach a letter of good standing from the above mentioned school of nursing if you did not complete the program

*Have you ever been charged and/or convicted of a misdemeanor Yes No and/or felony? Yes No

*Do you have any pending cases? Yes No If yes, identify your next court date.

License(s) currently held:

License # Expiration Date State of Registration
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*Have you completed all of the prerequisite courses for the RN-BSN Program? Yes No

If you answered no, please list any outstanding prerequisites and when you plan to complete them.

I understand that I shall not be considered for the program until I have been admitted to UAFS and submitted all required documentation. I further understand and have read the RN-BSN Program Statement.

I, the below signed individual, hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and ability, the information in this application is true and factual. I understand that false, misleading, or incomplete statements could lead to my subsequent dismissal or rejection as a nursing student.

Student Signature

Date



Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree (BSN) **RN-BSN Online Completion PROGRAM STATEMENT**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program in the Carolyn McKelvey Moore School of Nursing is a part of the College of Health Sciences (CHS) at the University of Arkansas - Fort Smith (UAFS). The BSN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing (ASBN). Students desiring admission to the RN-BSN Program need to be aware of and understand the following information related to admission, progression, and graduation.

ADMISSION

Admission Criteria

To be considered for admission to the program, students must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Complete university admission requirements to include submission of official transcripts from **all** colleges/ universities attended
- 2) Submit an official transcript showing successful completion of an ACEN accredited associate degree or diploma nursing program to the UAFS Records Office. Students graduating from a nursing program that is not ACEN accredited will be evaluated on an individual basis
- 3) Have a minimum 2.50 cumulative grade point average (GPA) for all college course work (including transfer work and excluding developmental courses) and be in good academic standing
- 4) Complete required prerequisite courses for the program with a minimum grade of "C" or higher in each course prior to fall or spring entry; prerequisite courses are the pre-program requirements as listed on the degree plan for a total of 55 hours
- 5) Have a current, unencumbered license as a registered nurse (A valid, unencumbered license must be maintained throughout the completion of the RN-BSN program)
- 6) Have evidence of work experience or satisfactory completion of an RN Refresher course according to the following guidelines:
 - a. 0-12 months after graduation - no work experience required
 - b. >12 months after graduation - at least 1000 hours of nursing employment during the last 12 to 24 months or successful completion of an RN Refresher course approved by the Executive Program Director of Nursing Programs

NOTE: RNs who have met these guidelines are eligible to receive credit for core nursing courses (35 credits) by validation (without testing).

Application

Students who meet the minimum criteria identified above are eligible to submit an application for admission.

- 1) **Application Deadline** - March 1 for fall entry into the program and October 1 for spring entry into the program
- 2) Eligible students must submit an application for admission to the Advising Coordinator for the College of Health Sciences prior to the application deadline

Selection

Students meeting the minimum requirements will receive notification of admittance.

PROGRESSION

The RN-BSN Program is competency based in skills and theory. A student must demonstrate satisfactory clinical performance, 100 percent mastery on all Competency Performance Evaluations (CPE), and maintain a minimum average cumulative score of 77 percent on Competency Performance Assessments (CPA) including the final CPA for each course.

A student dropped for academic or any other reason may apply for readmission if in compliance with the UAFS Student Academic Progress Policy as outlined in the course catalog. A student who discontinues the nursing sequence for academic or any other reason must petition for readmission to the RN-BSN Program. The readmission requirements are found in the BSN Student Handbook (see the Readmission Criteria & Procedure Policy). The student is not guaranteed a position for readmission. A student who is readmitted is accountable for the degree requirements in effect at the time of readmission.

A grade of "C" or better is required in ALL courses applicable to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

GRADUATION

To earn an RN-BSN degree, a student must earn a grade of "C" or better in all required courses applicable to the RN-BSN Program; earn a minimum of 2.00 cumulative GPA in all course work required for the major and/or minor areas; and earn a minimum of a 2.00 cumulative GPA on all work attempted at the University. The student must meet with the Advising Coordinator to complete the graduation application one year prior to the intended graduation.

I have read and understand this program statement.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Note: Information is subject to change. Please check for current information before applying to the program.



Verification of Clinical Practice
Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing Online Completion (RN-BSN)

To: Employer of RN-BSN Applicant to the Carolyn McKelvey Moore School of
Nursing
From: Advising Coordinator

Applicant's Name _____ Student ID# _____

The School of Nursing requests verification of employment for the above referenced applicant to the RN-BSN Online Completion Program. The applicant has identified you as an employer who can verify the number of hours he/she was employed as a registered nurse (ADN).

_____ I verify that the above named RN (ADN) has worked _____ hours as my
employee during the past twenty-four months.

Employer Signature

Title

Agency

Phone Number

Date