



Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program Overview

College of Nursing Student Services

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"Nurses bring knowledge, resourcefulness and deep patient experience to their work every day, improving the well-being of those in their care."

–Johnson and Johnson



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JOIN OUR BIG BLUE NURSING NATION



UK COLLEGE OF NURSING'S BSN PROGRAM

Ranked
#

20

among U.S. public universities

** According to U.S. News & World Report*

UNIQUELY DESIGNED FOR YOU

Students in the Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) track come from all walks of life.



ABSN ENTRY OPTIONS

LPN to BSN

*Hold your LPN
license*

Second Degree

*Already have a
degree in another
field*

Med Vet

*Served as a medic
in the U.S. military*



ABSN TRACK DETAILS

Regardless of entry option, all ABSN students participate in the same curriculum together:

- 16 months, includes summer term
 - 54-55 credits total
- Graduates eligible to take the RN licensure exam (NCLEX)



ABSN TRACK DETAILS

Online (synchronous and asynchronous) didactic/lecture



Face-to-face lab in the College of Nursing and clinical in Lexington, Kentucky





SAMPLE PLAN OF STUDY

	Fall Courses	Credits Lecture/lab/ clinical	Spring Courses	Credits	Summer Courses	Credits
Block 1	NUR 321 Intro to Health Promotion	3	NUR 326 Pathopharmacology I	3	NUR 331 Nursing Care of Childrearing Families	4/0/1
	NUR 323 Health Assessment & Psychomotor Skills I	0/2/0	NUR 334 Adult Medical Surgical Nursing I	3/0/1		
	NUR 324 Fundamentals of Adult Nursing Care I	1/0/1				
Block 2	NUR 325 Fundamentals Pathopharmacology	2	NUR 405 Adult Medical Surgical Nursing II	3/0/1	NUR 332 Nursing Care for Childbearing Families	3/0/1
	NUR 330 Health Assessment & Psychomotor Skills II	0/2/0	NUR 406 Pathopharmacology II	1	NUR 328 Research for Evidence Based Nursing Practice	3
	NUR 333 Fundamentals of Adult Nursing Care II	2/0/1	NUR 423 Leadership & Management in Nursing	3		
	Clinical credit hours	2	Clinical credit hours	2	Clinical credit hours	2
	Total credits	14	Total credits	15	Total credits	12

	Fall Courses	Credits
Block 1	NUR 329 Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing	3/0/1
	NUR 422 Community & Public Health Nursing	3/0/1
Block 2	NUR 427 Practice Readiness	2
	NUR 426 Synthesis	0/0/3 or 4
	Clinical credit hours	5 or 6
	Total credits	13 or 14
	Total Nursing credits	54-55*

* 120 credit hours required for degree



SYNCHRONOUS VS. ASYNCHRONOUS

All didactic (lecture-related) content will be online/distance learning.

- Some courses will have a weekly synchronous lecture (all meet remotely at a certain time)
 - lecture times will be made available well ahead of each block
- Other courses will be entirely asynchronous (work completed independently on own time)



TYPICAL WEEK

You should plan to spend about 26-30 hours per week in class and clinical, lab &/or simulation.

Example of SYNCHRONOUS Activities in a Typical Week		
Sunday	7 pm	Exam review (Zoom; optional/recorded)
Monday	7 am-3pm	Clinicals at local/ <u>Lexington</u> hospital; weekly clinicals are held in all clinical courses throughout the program
	6 pm	Exam (in person/College of Nursing or remote)
Thursday	4 pm-6 pm	Synchronous lecture (remote w/ Zoom); optional activities at 7 pm (<i>the non-clinical courses will have asynchronous lectures weekly, so are not included in this example</i>)
	7 pm-8 pm	
Friday	8-11 am	Lab (in College of Nursing); 5 lab times throughout the week from which to choose; this is just an... example of one; labs are the first semester only
Saturday or Sunday	(There are also Saturday or possibly Sunday clinical options in every block.)	



SIMULATION LAB

10,000 Sq ft dedicated and nationally-accredited





CLINICALS

This experience is an opportunity to practice your nursing skills and observe Registered Nurses in healthcare settings located in Lexington, KY.





PINNING CEREMONY

*In the end, we celebrate **YOU***



TIME-HONORED
Tradition

the
NURSING PIN





ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS

- Cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for second-degree and MedVet applicants; cumulative GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale for LPN applicants
- Science GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for second-degree and MedVet applicants; science GPA of 2.5 on 4.0 scale for LPN applicants.
 - All applicants must have a minimum grade of "C" in each of the following natural science courses :
 - Human Anatomy (three credits)
 - Human Physiology (three credits)
 - General Biology (three credits)
 - General Chemistry course equivalent to CHE 103 at UK or one year/two semesters of General Chemistry
- General Psychology (three credits) or Developmental Psychology equivalent to PSY 223 at UK with a minimum grade of "C"
- Composition and Communication courses equivalent to CIS 110 and 111 or CIS 112 at UK with a minimum grade of "C"



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS (CONT.)

The following courses are not required for admission to the program, but must be completed before an applicant's first semester of nursing:

- **General Microbiology course** equivalent to BIO 208 at UK with a minimum grade of "C"
- **Nutrition course** equivalent to DHN 212 at UK with a minimum grade of "C"
- **Statistics course** equivalent to STA 210, STA 296, or BST 230 at UK with minimum grade of "C"

Please note: Repeated grades are averaged together; we do not use only the best grade for courses that have been repeated



STATE REGISTERED NURSING ASSISTANT

- **Second Degree applicants must complete a SRNA course prior to taking their first nursing course in the program**
- **LPN applicants are not required to do this by virtue of their license**
- **MedVet applicants have two options: Take a SRNA course OR complete a skills check with nursing faculty**

Additional requirements are dependent on the applicant's background...



LPN-BSN Applicants

- Completion of LPN from a regionally accredited institution and a current active license to practice
- Completion of all UK Core requirements



MED-VET APPLICANTS



- Completion of Army Medical Specialist (68W), Navy Corpsman or Air Force Medical Specialist training
- Completion of all UK Core requirements
- Review of JST and CLEP for academic transfer credit with UK's Veterans Resource Center and the Transfer Equivalency Office

SECOND DEGREE APPLICANTS

- Completion of a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree
- Completion of all UK Core requirements; *Second-degree students meet this requirement by virtue of the first degree





TRANSCRIPT REVIEW & ADMISSION QUESTIONS

To see if you qualify for the ABSN Program or to inquire about the admission process, we encourage you to reach out to us via email.

To reach our ABSN Advisor Shaun Ketterman:
Shaun.Ketterman@uky.edu

Be prepared to supply Shaun with an official transcript from ALL attended institutions. *Cannot accept screenshots of grades



HOW TO APPLY

Currently enrolled at UK for Spring 2022:

You must apply to the ABSN track through an online application that will be available January 10 – March 1, 2022. (Link currently posted uky.edu/nursing)

Currently NOT enrolled at UK:

All transfer and readmit applicants must apply to the ABSN track through the University of Kentucky Office of Admissions. If you are new to UK, select "Transfer Admission" application. If you are returning to UK, select "Readmission" application.

To apply for Fall 2022, go to admission.uky.edu/apply.

IMPORTANT *dates*

To begin the program in Fall 2022

- Application is currently open!
Deadline is **March 1, 2022**

To begin the program in Spring 2023

- Deadline is **August 15, 2022**



AFTER YOU APPLY

- Applicants will receive an email invitation to complete the interview after their initial screening for course and GPA requirements.
 - Interviews are conducted via an online platform.
 - *Please note: Applicants not selected for an interview will also be notified that they will not be considered further.*
- Final decisions will be sent via email.



COST OF ATTENDANCE

- Tuition: \$582.00 per credit hour
- Nursing Fee: \$614.00 per semester
- Book package: ~\$2,000 (cost split over 2 semesters and charged on myUK)
 - Includes books, reviews, etc.
- Out-of-pocket expenses: Scrubs, supplies, etc.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

UK and CON Scholarships

- UK Financial Aid offers academic scholarships for transfer, & non-traditional students
- CON Scholarship application due annually on March 1 for current students

External Scholarships

- ScholarshipUniverse
- UKHC Educational Award
- KY Board of Nursing
- Out of State Nursing Boards
- Potential employers
- Nursing Organizations

UKHC Employee Education Program

How EEP Works

- Enjoy the benefits of the EEP by receiving tuition waiver for UK coursework
- The tuition waiver can be up to six credit hours per semester and 18 per academic year.
- Any other fees (course and/or program fees), books or expenses related to the class are the employee's responsibility.
- Must be full-time employee

For more info:

- Visit UK's HR website
 - Has FAQs
 - Additional Award opportunities
- Contact Employee benefits:
 - Anita.Dawson@uky.edu
 - humanresources@email.uky.edu

Join the conversation
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THANK YOU

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