2020-2021 BSN Program Guide
Accelerated Second Degree Track
Indiana University - Bloomington Campus

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing Accelerated Second Degree Track (ABSN) at the Indiana University School of Nursing (IUSON) is designed for students who have graduated from a 120 credit hour accredited baccalaureate degree program in a non-nursing field and want to pursue a nursing career. The program moves at a fast pace — 4 semesters of year-round full-time study — with a concept-based, cutting-edge curriculum that prepares students for a career as a professional nurse.

Students work with nursing faculty in the School and expert nurse preceptors in the community as part of the clinical and practical experiences of the program, gaining exposure to hospital and community-based nursing. In addition, students participate in simulation exercises and inter-professional education experiences with IU students in other healthcare fields. This program gives students a solid foundation for leadership positions.

Upon completion of the BSN program, students are eligible to apply for a registered nurse (RN) license in the state where they want to live and work and take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX).

Admission Requirements

The following courses or equivalent transfer credit comprise the BSN required pre-requisites (56 credit hours).

1. Anatomy with in-person lab (4 - 5 semester credit hours)
2. Physiology with in-person lab (4 - 5 semester credit hours)
3. Microbiology with in-person lab (3 - 4 semester credit hours)
4. 300 or 400 level Statistics course (3 semester credit hours)
5. English Composition (3 semester credit hours)
6. Introductory Psychology (3 semester credit hours)
7. Introductory Sociology (3 semester credit hours)
8. Additional general education courses* (30 semester credit hours) (see page 4 for details)

Admission is based on the GPA of all courses listed on the application (the Nursing GPA). The Nursing Application GPA must be at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale. The undergraduate degree must have been at least 120 credit hours with an undergraduate cumulative GPA of at least 2.7.

Application Information and Deadlines

The IUB School of Nursing offers admission to the BSN Accelerated Second Degree track once a year. Students apply between January 15th and March 15th. Applications received after the deadline may not be considered for that admission cycle. Students may reapply for a following academic cycle. Students are notified of admission decisions by June 1st.

All applicants are required to meet with an IUB School of Nursing advisor prior to submitting their ABSN application. The ABSN application will be sent to applicants who have met with an IUB School of Nursing advisor.
Are you interested in applying to the School of Nursing BSN program, accelerated second-degree track at IUPUI?

Contact
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Recognizing the rapidly increasing diversity of America and of higher education, and to support the mission of the Indiana University School of Nursing, we are committed to promoting an educational environment that values, respects, and reflects a global view of diversity.

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Criminal Disclosure Form

Students will also be required to complete a Student Disclosure Form to disclose any issues that would be documented on a National Criminal Background Check. National Criminal Background checks are required annually for all admitted nursing students. Students with pending charges or are currently in a pre-trial diversion program are ineligible until all conditions have been resolved. Students with more than one offense (including drinking tickets) may be ineligible to apply and students with an offense, such as theft, are disqualified from applying for 5 years. Please contact a nursing advisor with questions.

Social Security Number

To be eligible for admission to the School of Nursing, all students are required to have a valid Social Security number at the time of application. Most healthcare facilities that provide clinical training space require students to have a Social Security number for computer access to patient information and records.

High School Transcript

All students are required to have a high school transcript on file with the School of Nursing. If not on file with IUB, students will need to provide a copy to the School of Nursing upon acceptance into the major.

Application Policies

Students who meet the criteria below may seek admission to the School of Nursing.

a) Have graduated from an accredited bachelor’s degree program of at least 120 credit hours.

b) Be admitted to IUB as a degree-seeking student by March 15 for fall admission.

c) All students must meet with a School of Nursing advisor for a planning worksheet prior to submitting an application.

d) Transfer credit must be accepted by IU, posted to the IUB transcript and evaluated by a School of Nursing advisor prior to making application to the School of Nursing.

e) Have completed anatomy, physiology, microbiology, and a 300/400 level statistics course in the last seven (7) years. Online labs accepted during COVID-19 crisis only.

f) Grades for all application courses must show a minimum grade of C (2.0) by the second attempt. Only letter grades (not S/F grades) accepted.

g) No more than three (3) courses may be repeated in order to meet the minimum required grade of C (2.0). Of the three courses, only two (2) failures will be allowed in required science courses.

Policies Regarding Applications and Admission

The nursing faculty at the Indiana University Bloomington (IUB) campus has the responsibility and authority to develop and maintain BSN admission policies and standards. Applicants are those who have demonstrated the highest academic achievement based on the designated application courses. Students who have been dismissed from another School of Nursing are not eligible to apply to the IUB School of Nursing. Students must earn a C in all nursing courses to progress in the program. All students are required to attend a mandatory orientation in
IUB School of Nursing
Professional Accreditations

- Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
- Indiana State Board of Nursing
- The Higher Learning Commission – a North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools

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Bloomington, IN
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https://www.indiana.edu/admissions

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Office of Student Financial Assistance
Student Central on Union
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Bloomington, IN 47405
(812) 855-0321
Fax: (812) 855-7615
http://www.indiana.edu/~sfa

Applying to the BSN program at IUB

1. **Apply to IUB as a second-degree seeking student by March 15.**
   - Apply online at the Office of Admissions’ website: https://admissions.indiana.edu/apply.

2. **Send official transcripts from all colleges and universities that you have attended to the Office of Admissions.** The Office of Admissions will officially evaluate your transcripts and transfer coursework to IUB.

3. **Receive official notification from IUB.** If admitted to IUB, you will receive a letter from IUB indicating your admission status. You will then be able to review the official transcript evaluation that reflects those courses and credits accepted for transfer to IUB. IU School of Nursing advisors are unable to provide details of transfer coursework until the Office of Admissions has completed the transcript evaluation.

4. **Contact one of the IUB School of Nursing advisors via email to schedule an appointment.** The advisor will interpret your credit transfer report, fill out an admission planning sheet, and discuss with you the courses that can be applied toward requirements for the BSN accelerated second-degree track.

5. **Submit your application to the School of Nursing by March 15.**

Financial Aid and Scholarship Information

Since the ABSN program is year-round and financial aid at IUB is dispersed over the fall and spring semesters only, students must develop a financial plan to cover tuition and expenses, especially for the summer term. Typically, the maximum award for fall / spring semesters is $12,500 (as an independent status student). The average tuition, fees and expenses for an in-state student is approximately $8000 per semester and there are significant additional expenses for the nursing program.

School of Nursing scholarships are available each spring and information about applying for Nursing scholarships will be sent to the admitted ABSN students. The scholarship monies awarded would cover the 2021-2022 academic year which includes fall and spring only. Students are able to apply for scholarships for their final Fall 2022 semester.

Due to the number of credit hours each semester, many students find that it is difficult to work many hours per week. We strongly encourage all students interested in applying to the ABSN program to meet with the Office of Financial Assistance on the Bloomington campus.

The admission criteria are subject to change.
Meeting IUSON admission criteria does not guarantee admission. Admission to the program depends on the number of spaces available and IUSON and University resources.
Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Accelerated Second Degree Track Curriculum (IUB)
(subject to change)

Nursing Course credit hours – 64; Application and General Education credit hours - 56

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<th>First Semester 1A Courses - fall</th>
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- NURS-B 237 – Promoting Healthy Populations for 2nd Degree (3 cr.)
- NURS-B 247 - Health Assessment for 2nd Degree (3 cr.)
- NURS-B 245 – Health Assessment Lab (2 cr.)
- NURS-B 260 – Fundamentals of Nursing Practice (5 cr.)
- NURS-B 261 – Pathophysiology and Pharmacology (4 cr.)

- NURS-B 253 – Professionalism in Collaborative Practice (IPE) (3 cr.)
- NURS-B 334 – Transitional Care of Families and Populations with practicum (OB, Pediatrics, Community) (5 cr.)
- NURS-H 356 – Biophysical Processes with practicum (Medical/Surgical Nursing) (5 cr.)
- NURS-R 375 – Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice (3 cr.)

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- NURS-H 360 – Interactive Processes with practicum (Psych/Neuro Nursing) (5 cr.)
- NURS-H 371 – Adaptive Processes with practicum (Medical/Surgical Nursing) (5 cr.)
- NURS-L 330 – Leadership in Healthcare Delivery & Policy (4 cr.)
- NURS-S 474 – Healthcare Ethics (3 cr.)

- NURS-B 445 – Nursing Intensive for 2nd Degree: Transitions Across Care Environments (Community Health) (3 cr.)
- NURS-H 476 – Complex Processes with practicum (Adult Critical Care Nursing) (5 cr.)
- NURS-S 483 - Nursing Capstone (3 cr.)
- NURS-S 489 – 2nd Degree Synthesis for Prof. Nursing Practice (3 cr.)

Application and General Education Course Requirements (56 credit hours)

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<td>PHSL-P 215 Physiology (4-5 cr.)</td>
<td>Communication course or Social &amp; Historical Studies (3 cr.)</td>
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<td>BIOL-M 200 &amp; BIOL-M 215 Microbiology (3-4 cr.)</td>
<td>Cultural Understanding (6 cr.)</td>
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<td>Statistics (300/400 level) (3 cr.)</td>
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