

## Admission, Progression, and Graduation Policy and Procedure

### Admission to the Major

Enrollment in RN to BS nursing courses is limited to students who have been admitted to the nursing major. A complete Application for the RN to BS in Nursing Program Admission must be on file in the nursing office to be considered for admission to the major. Admission decisions are made by a nursing committee and are competitive.

### Criteria for Admission to the Major:

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1. Unconditional admission to the University
2. Complete Application for the RN to BS in Nursing Program
3. Achievement of a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
4. RN license from state of residence
5. Current CPR certification for the professional provider
6. Documentation of health requirements
7. Two professional references
8. Professional statement
9. Completion of the following courses or their equivalents with a grade of 'C' or better:
  - a. BIO 2200 Human Anatomy. Credits: 4
  - b. BIO 2001G Human Physiology. Credits: 4
  - c. PSY 1879G Introductory Psychology. Credits: 3
  - d. SOC 2710G Introductory Sociology. Credits: 3
  - e. ENG 1001G Composition and Language. Credits: 3
  - f. ENG 1002G Composition and Literature. Credits: 3
  - g. FCS 1800 Life Span Human Development. Credits: 3
  - h. CHM 1040G The World of Chemistry. Credits: 4,  
**or**  
CHM 2040G Practical Chemistry. Credits: 3,  
**or**  
CHM 1310G General Chemistry I. Credits: 3 **and**  
CHM 1315G General Chemistry Laboratory I. Credits: 1.

### Registration for Upper Division Nursing Courses:

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Only students admitted to the nursing major will be approved to register for upper division (3000 or higher) nursing courses.

### **Application Deadlines:**

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Applications for the RN to BS in Nursing Program are available in the Nursing Office or on the nursing program website. Applications and documentation of all admission requirements must be submitted to the Nursing Office on or before July 1<sup>st</sup> for admission to fall nursing courses and November 15<sup>th</sup> for admission to spring nursing courses.

### **Progression Requirements:**

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1. Students enrolled in the RN to BS in Nursing Program must earn a 'C' or better in all major requirement courses to progress in the program.
2. Students must achieve a satisfactory for the clinical component of each nursing course.
3. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.00 throughout their enrollment in the RN to BS in Nursing Program+.
4. A nursing course in which a student failed to earn a grade of 'C' or better may be repeated by the student only one time. Failure to receive a grade of 'C' or better for a second time of any nursing course will result in dismissal from the program.
5. Failure to earn a 'C' or better in any two nursing courses within the RN to BS in Nursing curriculum will result in dismissal from the program.

### **Requirements for the BS in Nursing Degree:**

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In order to graduate from Eastern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, the student must

1. Successfully complete all general education requirements.
2. Successfully complete all of the courses in the nursing curriculum with a 2.0 in each course.
3. Successfully complete a minimum of 12 semester hrs in residence in nursing.
4. Successfully complete a minimum of 40 hrs in upper division courses (3000-4000 level courses).
5. Earn a minimum of 42 hrs in residence and a minimum of 32 hrs in junior and senior years, 12 of which must be in residence in senior year.
6. Successfully complete 120 hrs with CGPA of 2.0 in all courses attempted.
7. Successfully complete the electronic writing portfolio.
8. Earn 56 hrs in senior (4 year) institutions with at least 42 hours at EIU.
9. Successfully complete 2 courses in a single foreign language or equivalent.