

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY – DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

PRE-NURSING

Student Name _____ Advisor _____

Nursing is a rewarding career for both men and women. There are several avenues by which students may become eligible to take the State Board Examination and become certified as a Registered Nurse (RN):

1. Non-degree training (3-4 years) in a hospital affiliated Diploma School (DI).
2. Associate degree (AD) received on completion of a two year program at a junior or community college.
3. B.Sc. in Nursing (B.S.N.) received upon completion of a four year baccalaureate program. This B.S.N. program is strongly recommended (See Advisor).
4. Accelerated Nursing Program. Students who have a B.S. or B.A. and the prerequisites may complete a 12 month A.N.P. at Loyola, Rush, Creighton, or St. Louis University.

Students who graduate from a four year baccalaureate nursing program acquire broader and more comprehensive background in science, liberal education, and professional nursing. For this reason they are more likely to qualify for positions of greater responsibility, for graduate work in nursing specialties, and for nursing education.

The two years of pre-baccalaureate program is offered by Western Illinois University. Students who complete the program below may be eligible for transfer to the schools of nursing listed on the reverse side of this page. Acceptance to these programs is contingent upon the attainment of a C-average or better, the evaluation of the student's personal interview, and scores on the entrance examination. References and other personal factors may be considered important for a career in nursing.

The requirements for transfer to schools of nursing vary with each school and are subject to change. For this reason students should write to schools to obtain their present requirements and approval of their course of study at Western. This should be done during the fall semester of the freshman year.

FRESHMAN YEAR

	<u>Fall</u>		<u>Spring</u>	
Zool 200	(4)	Microbiology 200	(4)	(4)
English 180 ¹	(3)	Elective ³	(3)	(3)
Psychology 100	(3)	Sociology 100		(3)
Family & Consumer Science 109	(3)	Philosophy 105		(3)
Math 099N or 100 if necessary	<u>(3)</u>	Mathematics 123		<u>(3)</u>
	13-16			16

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Zoology 230 (Anatomy and Physiology)	(4)	Zoology 231 (Anatomy and Physiology)	(4)	(4)
Chemistry 101 or 201 ²	(4)	Chemistry 102 or 202		(4)
Humanities Elective	(3)	Communication 241 (Speech)		(3)
FCS 121	(3)	Sociology 200		(3)
English 280	<u>(3)</u>	Statistics 171		<u>(3)</u>
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1 – English 180 and 280 may be taken in either Fall or Spring Semester of the 1st (180) or 2nd year (280).

2 – Take Chem 100 before 101 if lacking high school chemistry or lacking a strong math background.

3 – See current listing of Humanities elective Art 180 (3), Music 190 (3), CS 101 (3), Phil 120 (3), 140 (3) Com 130 (3).1-26-2007

SCHOOLS OF PROFESSIONAL NURSING

Students completing the two year pre-professional nursing program at Western Illinois University may be eligible to transfer to the following schools if they elect courses accepted by the nursing program and if they meet their grad and other requirements for admission. Students planning to transfer to any of these schools should contact them as soon as possible so that they can elect courses that meet their admission requirements.

LINKS TO SCHOOLS OF PROFESSIONAL NURSING

State Universities

Chicago State University <http://www.csu.edu/CollegeOfHealthSciences/nursing/>
Governors State University <http://www.govst.edu/nursing/>
Illinois State University (Mennonite) <http://www.mcn.ilstu.edu/about/index.shtml>
Northern Illinois University <http://www.chhs.niu.edu/nursing>
Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville <http://www.siu.edu/NURSING/>
University of Illinois at Chicago <http://www.uic.edu/nursing/index.htm>

Private Colleges and Universities

Aurora University <http://www.aurora.edu/nursing/>
Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing <http://www.brcn.edu/>
Bradley University http://www.bradley.edu/academics/ehs/nur/nur_index.html
DePaul University <http://condor.depaul.edu/~nursing/>
Elmhurst College <http://www.elmhurst.edu/CurrStu/Catalog/AcaDept/APNursCat.htm>
Illinois Wesleyan University <http://titan.iwu.edu/~nursing/>
Lakeview College of Nursing <http://www.lakeviewcol.edu/>
Lewis University <http://www.lewisu.edu/academics/nursing/>
Loyola University of Chicago <http://www.luc.edu/schools/nursing/>
MacMurray College <http://www.mac.edu/academics/nursing.html>
Millikin University <http://www.millikin.edu/nursing/>
Monmouth College
<http://www.monm.edu/department/pre-professional/nursing-medical.htm>
North Park College <http://www.npcts.edu/nursing/>
North Park University <http://www.northpark.edu/nursing/>
Olivet Nazarene College http://sherekhan.olivet.edu/academics/areasofstudy/dept_nursing.asp
Rush University <http://www.rushu.rush.edu/nursing/>
St. Anthony College of Nursing <http://www.sacn.edu/>
St. Xavier University <http://www.sxu.edu/nursing/nursing.htm>
St. Francis Medical Center <http://www.sfmcccon.edu/>
St. John's College <http://www.st-johns.org/Education/schools/nursing/>
Trinity Christian College <http://www.trnty.edu/depts/nursing/>
Trinity College of Nursing and Schools of Allied Health <http://www.trinitycollegeqc.edu/>
University of St. Francis <http://www.stfrancis.edu/sjcn/sjcnhome.htm>
West Suburban College of Nursing <http://www.wscn.edu/>