



Pre-Nursing Quick Facts

TYPICAL NURSING PRE-REQUISITES FOR GRADUATING FROM UGA FIRST

- Biology (BIOL 1107/L & 1108/L)*
- Chemistry (CHEM 1211/L & 1212/L)
- Anatomy and Physiology (CBIO2200/L & CBIO2210/L)
- Psychology (PSYC1101)
- Microbiology (MIBO2500/L or 3500&lab)
- Lifespan Development (HDFS 2200)
- Statistics (STAT 2000 or BIOS 2010)

*Augusta University allows BIOL 1103/L & 1104/L

Recommended

- Behavioral Science (ANTH 1102 or SOCI 1101)
- Nutrition (NUTR 2100) – Emory & Piedmont University
- Abnormal Psychology (PSYC 3230)
- Medical Terminology (CLAS 1030)

TYPICAL NURSING PRE-REQUISITES FOR TRANSFERRING OUT of UGA

- Biology (BIOL 1107/L & 1108/L)*
- Chemistry (CHEM 1211/L & 1212/L)
- Anatomy and Physiology (CBIO2200/L & CBIO2210/L)
- Psychology (PSYC1101)
- Microbiology (MIBO2500/L or 3500 & lab)
- Lifespan Development (HDFS 2200)
- Statistics (STAT 2000 or BIOS 2010)
- Behavioral Science (ANTH 1102 or SOCI 1101)

Plus, ALL CORE CLASSES required for the institution you are transferring out to.

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DISCLAIMER: Research the programs you wish to apply to for what entrance exams and prerequisites are needed.

Average Matriculant Numbers

- Overall GPA: 3.50
- Science GPA: 3.50
- TEAS: 75% or higher
- HESI: 75% or higher

You may need GRE for some MSN programs

GRADE TRENDS

- Strong science and overall GPAs are essential.
- Positive grade trends matter
- Negative grade trends are cause for concern (repeated withdrawals, poor science grades, excessive science coursework outside UGA)

Show you can handle rigorous scientific content.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Bachelor's Degree (BSN)
- Accelerated Bachelor's Degree (ABSN)
- Master's Degree (MSN)
- Masters Degree with NP (MN+MSN)

MAJORS AND DEGREES

There is no “best” major for pre-nursing students. Students are encouraged to pursue majors that they are most interested and that they believe they will excel.

The new UGA Nursing Program has not started accepting students. This leaves two common options.

Transfer into a BSN Program:

- Only after finishing all pre-requisites and core classes for target school
- Usually transfer out after two years
- Plan early so all pre-requisites are completed

Apply to Accelerated BSNs/entry level master's programs:

- Enroll after graduation
- Pre-requisite courses will be completed alongside the regular undergraduate course work.

APPLICATION TYPES

For many nursing programs, students will need to apply directly to the institution. However, some nursing programs, such as Augusta utilize the NursingCAS application service. Official transcripts, entrance exams, a personal statement are needed to apply.

Most nursing schools have Fall and Spring application deadlines, however some schools have deadlines only in the fall. Students are responsible for checking the application deadlines for the programs to which they hope to apply.

The TEAS and HESI are nursing school entrance exams for non-graduate level nursing programs. Either the TEAS or the HESI is usually required. Students must check which exam their chosen programs require. Students applying to graduate level nursing programs may need to take the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) instead. However, this is not common. Use the PPAO Resource Library to access FREE test prep materials!

HESI (HESI A2):

- Ranges in cost
- Has two sections:
 - Academic: Math, Reading, Vocab, Grammar, Biology, Physics, Anatomy & Physiology, and Chemistry.
 - Personality: Learning Style Assessment and Personality Profile
- A total score of 100% is possible, but students should aim for at least 75% overall.

TEAS:

- Costs varies depending on location of test & is offered in person and online multiple times a month
- Has four sections:
 - Reading: 31% of the test
 - Math: 22% of the test
 - Science: 31% of the test
 - English: 16% of the test
- A total score of 100% is possible, but students should aim for at least 75% overall

LETTERS OF EVALUATION

Most Nursing schools require two to three letters of evaluation. Requirements can vary between schools, and it is the student's responsibility to ensure that they have collected the correct letters for their program of interest.

Generally, programs expect students to provide one letter from a academic professional, a boss or supervisor, and a third letter of their choice.

Choose Letter Writers Wisely

- Pick people who know you well
- Choose strong, specific letters over generic letters
- Ask early and give plenty of notice

VOLUNTEERING & EXTRACURRICULARS

Volunteering is a large portion of the application that should not be neglected. Nursing schools are looking for students who not only demonstrate that they can manage rigorous courses while staying busy, but also those who are compassionate, enjoy working with people and are dedicated to serving the community.

Show depth of commitment and substantial involvement and leadership in your community. Programs are looking for students who demonstrate a life of service. Club and organizational involvement are highly valued as well. Do not stretch yourself too thin. Be intentional with your involvement.

EXAMPLES OF GEORGIA NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION DATES

<u>INSTITUTION</u>	<u>FALL APPLICATION DUE DATE</u>	<u>SPRING APPLICATION DATE</u>
Augusta University	January	N/A
Emory University	January	August
Kennesaw State University	July	February
North Georgia University	December	June
Piedmont College	January	N/A

This is not a complete listing of schools