OVERVIEW
This information is for undergraduate students transferring from a college or university other than the University of Pittsburgh. The curriculum for the undergraduate program in the School of Nursing leads to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Degree and eligibility to take the NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination) for professional licensure as a registered nurse. The full-time curriculum includes 125 credits and may be completed in 4 years (Fall & Spring Terms).

ADMISSION
Applications are accepted for the Fall and Spring Terms. Applications will be reviewed and decisions made based on the student’s college and high school performance and consideration of the number of seats available in the class. The evaluation will consider grade trends, cumulative GPA, number of credits completed, level of challenge of curriculum, transferability of credits and coursework relevant to the major.

Attainment of the following items does not guarantee admission, nor preclude it:
• Completion of 24 college-level credits (should include science courses/labs such as Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology, Microbiology)
• B or better grade in science courses/labs
• 3.5 minimum GPA

APPLICATION
• The Office of Admissions and Financial Aid (OAFA) processes external transfer applications.
• OAFA online application: www.oafa.pitt.edu
• Spring Term: (freshman placement only)
  Deadline: November 1
  Fall Term grades must be evaluated for final determination
• Fall Term: (freshman & sophomore placement)
  Deadline: April 1
  Spring Term grades must be evaluated for final determination
• OAFA will notify the applicant of its admission decision via postal mail

REDUCED CREDIT LOAD
It will usually take 4 additional years to complete the nursing program, unless placement to the sophomore year is granted (see below). Students may begin to fulfill the liberal arts and elective requirements while enrolled in the College of Arts & Sciences, College of General Studies or regional campus, thereby reducing the credit load for some terms. Liberal arts requirements: Anthropology/Culture, Art/Music/Creative Expression/Literature, English Composition, Psychology, Sociology, Speech, Statistics.

If a freshman student has completed the sophomore nursing prerequisite courses before admission, the student may need to enroll in additional courses to maintain full-time student status. Students may consider pursuit of a minor or certificate program.
SOPHOMORE PLACEMENT
Admission to the School of Nursing for all transfer students is to the freshman class. However, a limited number of spaces are available at the sophomore level. Admission decisions for these spaces are made separately, subsequent to admission to the freshman class. Once students have been admitted to the freshman class, their records will be reviewed by the Associate Director of Student Services Undergraduate Program, for eligibility for sophomore class placement. Students interested in sophomore placement must have completed the following courses:

- NUR 0012/NUR 0002 Anatomy and Physiology 1 Lecture/Lab 3 cr./1 cr.
- NUR 0013/NUR 0003 Anatomy and Physiology 2 Lecture/Lab 3 cr./1 cr.
- CHEM 0910 Chemistry for the Health Professions 4 cr.
- NUR 0031/NUR 0032 Microbiology Lecture/Lab 3 cr./1 cr.
- NUR 0051 Intro. to Professional Nursing 3 cr.

Acceptable equivalent courses offered by local or regional institutions:
- Acceptable Equivalent Courses list: www.nursing.pitt.edu/students/undergraduate/transfer.jsp
- Course descriptions of courses, not included on the list, may be submitted for review after offer of acceptance and admission to sao50@pitt.edu or University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing
  239 Victoria Building
  3500 Victoria Street
  Pittsburgh, PA 15261

TRANSFER CREDIT
The following criteria govern the transfer of advanced credits:
- After application to the School of Nursing, official transcript(s) of courses taken in other accredited universities or colleges must be submitted to:
  University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing
  239 Victoria Building
  3500 Victoria Street
  Pittsburgh, PA 15261
- When requested, course descriptions or course syllabi must be submitted to determine equivalency to University of Pittsburgh courses.
- Liberal arts courses require a C or better grade
- Science courses/labs require a B or better grade
- Science courses/labs must have been completed within the last eight years unless there are extenuating circumstances.
- The credit transferred for any course can be no greater than the credit given by the University of Pittsburgh.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
University of Pittsburgh Office of Admissions & Financial Aid
4227 Fifth Avenue, Alumni Hall
Pittsburgh, PA 15260-6601
412-624-PITT (7488)
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