School of Nursing

5th in DNP & 7th in MSN, U.S. News & World Report's 2019 Best Nursing Grad Schools
5th in NIH funding (2018) among schools of nursing
Accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

OVERVIEW
This information is for undergraduate students, enrolled at a college or university other than the University of Pittsburgh, who intend to transfer to the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing. 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 124-126 credits. It will usually take 8 additional terms to complete the nursing program, unless placement to the sophomore year is granted (see below).

Students may begin to fulfill liberal arts and elective requirements while enrolled in the College of Arts & Sciences, College of General Studies or a regional campus. Liberal Arts Requirements: Anthropology/Culture, Art/Music/Creative Expression/Literature, English Composition, Psychology, Sociology, Speech, Statistics.

ADMISSION
Applications, for transfer consideration to the freshman class, are accepted for admission in 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.

Competitive applicants will have:
- Completion of 24 college-level credits (should include science courses with B or higher grade)
- 3.5 minimum cumulative GPA
- Minimum SAT score of 1280 (Old SAT: 1200) or minimum ACT composite score of 27

APPLICATION
- Applications are evaluated by the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid (OABA)
- Online application: oafa.pitt.edu
- OABA will notify applicant of its admission decision via the U.S. Postal Service
- Deadlines
  - Spring Term Admission (to freshman class)
    November 1
    Fall Term grades must be evaluated for final determination
  - Fall Term Admission (to freshman class)
    April 1
    Spring Term grades must be evaluated for final determination

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**SOPHOMORE PLACEMENT**

Admission to the School of Nursing for all transfer students is to the freshman class. However, a limited number of seats are available at the sophomore level. Admission decisions for these seats are made separately, after admission to freshman class. Eligibility for placement in sophomore class is determined by availability of seats in the sophomore class and review of the student's academic records.

Students interested in sophomore placement must have completed the following courses:

- NUR 0012 / NUR 0002 Anatomy & Physiology 1 Lecture / Lab (3 cr. / 1 cr.)
- NUR 0013 / NUR 0003 Anatomy & Physiology 2 Lecture / Lab (3 cr. / 1 cr.)
- CHEM 0910 Chem. Principles for Health Professions (4 cr.)
- NUR 0031 / NUR 0032 Microbiology Lecture / Lab (3 cr. / 1 cr.)

A list of acceptable equivalent courses offered by local or regional institutions is available at nursing.pitt.edu/admissions/external-transfer-applicants.

**TRANSFER CREDIT**

After submission of the online application, official transcripts (from all universities or colleges attended) must be submitted to:

University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing
240 Victoria Building
3500 Victoria Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15261

The following criteria govern the transfer of advanced credits:

- Liberal arts courses: (C or higher grade required)
- Science courses: (B or higher grade required) completed within past 8 years (unless extenuating circumstances)
- When requested, course descriptions or syllabi must be submitted to determine equivalency to University of Pittsburgh courses
- Credit transferred for a course may be no greater than the credit given by 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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