

**University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Eau Claire Program Site**

Traditional Baccalaureate Nursing Program Update

These changes will affect students admitted to the traditional BSN program

Change in Required Wellness Courses

- 1) For students beginning professional nursing courses in spring 2010 there is a change in the wellness requirement. Only one wellness course will be required: NRS 211, Wellness: Food for Fitness. NRS 211 will need to be completed prior to spring 2010, as it is prerequisite to NRS 240.

Changes Related to Admission

- There is no change in admission requirements or in when students apply to the traditional BSN program.
- Students will continue to be admitted as a cohort and progress through the program with the same group.

Change in Sophomore Year Courses

- Beginning fall 2009 (application date May 1, 2009) newly admitted nursing students will not take any nursing courses the first semester after admission. Students will use the fall semester to complete the required sciences and other non-nursing required courses. Professional nursing courses will begin in the second semester after admission. This change does not impact the length of the program, simply the sequencing of the courses.
- Students will take 12 credits of nursing in the second semester. The courses include a new 2 credit pharmacology course in addition to courses introducing students to the profession and to clinical practice.
- It will be helpful if students have completed statistics, biochemistry, and developmental psychology prior to the 2nd semester of the nursing program. If necessary one of these courses could be taken with the nursing courses.

Certified Nursing Assistant Requirement

Certification as a nursing assistant (CNA) will be required for admitted students before they register for their first clinical course, NRS 240 (in the second semester after admission). Students must take the certification exam, but do not have to demonstrate work experience. CNA certification is not an admission requirement. It is required prior to registering for NRS 240.

Requirements for students admitted in June 2009

- 1) Application due May 1, 2009. Students will be admitted to the Nursing program for fall 2009 but will not start the professional nursing course sequence until spring 2010. In fall 2009, newly admitted students will be completing science courses and other requirements.
- 2) No CNA required for admission. However, proof of CNA certification will be required prior to registering for NRSG 240 (second semester after admission, spring 2010).
- 3) Students can be completing their CNA course during the first semester after admission, when they are not yet taking their professional nursing courses.

Sample Program

Freshman – 1st semester (prenursing)

Chem 103, General Chemistry	5
English 110, English Composition	5
GE III, Psych 100 or 260	3
GE-IV or Foreign Language	<u>3-4</u> 16-17

Freshman – 2nd semester (prenursing)

Chem 150 – Biochemistry	3
Biol 214, Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
GE 1A – Language skills or Foreign Language	3-4
GE III – Psych 230, or GE IV	3
Physical Activity	1
NRSG 211 --Nutrition/Wellness course	<u>1</u> 15-16

Sophomore – 1st semester – newly admitted students

Biology 314 – Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4
Biology 250 – Microbiology	3
GE 1B -- Math 246 – Statistics, or GE 1V	3-4
GE III or IV	3
GE IV or V	<u>2-3</u> 15-17

Sophomore – 2nd semester

NRSB 230 Introduction to the Profession (Math 246 or Psych 265 pre-req or concurrent)	3
NRSB 240 Foundations of Nursing Practice (Nrsb 211, Bio 250, Bio 314, and CNA certification pre-req)	7
NRSB 245 Pharmacology (Chem 150 pre-req or concurrent)	2
GE IV or V, or Statistics, or GEIII - Psych 230	<u>3-4</u> 15-16

Junior – 1st semester

NRSB 345 Nursing: Health & Health Deviations of Adults I	7
NRSB 335 Nursing: Health Promotion w/Children, Families and Community (Psych 230 pre-req)	4
NRSB 330 Nursing: Context of Practice	2
GE III or V	<u>2-3</u> 15-16

Junior – 2nd semester

NRS 350 Nursing: Health & Health Deviations of Adults 2	4
NRS 352 Nursing Practice: Adults 2	2
NRS 368 Nursing Practice: Children, Families & Communities	2
NRS 358 Nursing: Individual and Family Transitions	2
GE IV or V	3
Elective	<u>2-3</u> 15-16

Senior – 1st semester

NRS 420 Nursing: Health Enhancement	4
NRS 422 Nursing Practice: Health Enhancement	2
NRS 435 Nursing: Families & Children w/Health Deviations	3
NRS 438 Nursing Practice: Children & Families w/ Health Deviations	2
NRS 432 Nursing: Management within Systems	<u>3</u> 15

Senior – 2nd semester

NRS 470 Nursing: Professional Practice within Systems	2
NRS 472 Nursing Practice: Application and Reflection	7
GE IV	3
Elective	<u>3</u> 15

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