

## *Frequently Asked Questions*

**1. What are the requirements for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program?**

In order to be considered for admission to the nursing program, a student must have been admitted into UWEC. Students interested in pursuing a nursing degree register as pre-nursing majors. A student must complete 30 semester credits and would apply to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences in the semester in which the 30 credits will be completed. Students applying must have an overall GPA of at least 3.0. Also, a student needs to have completed at least 3 required natural science courses (2 courses with a lab) with a GPA of at least 2.50. For more information please see the University Catalogue ([www.uwec.edu/registrar/Catalogues/current/pg\\_nurs.htm](http://www.uwec.edu/registrar/Catalogues/current/pg_nurs.htm)).

**2. When are applications due for admission to the BSN program?**

Applications to the BSN nursing program are due December 1 and May 1 for the Eau Claire campus, and October 1 for the Marshfield site program. Students are encouraged to apply during the semester in which 30 credits will be completed.

**3. Can I take pre-nursing requirements at another university or community college?**

Some or all of the pre-nursing courses can be taken at other institutions. Students must complete at least 30 semester credits for the pre-nursing phase of the nursing program and these credits can be transferred in from another institution. If you know you will be taking courses at another institution, contact the College of Nursing and Health Sciences (Assistant to the Dean 715-836-6012) before beginning your coursework to plan for integration and equivalency of the courses required at UW-Eau Claire.

**4. Will I be able to get into the BSN program, how competitive is it?**

The BSN program is competitive and the College of Nursing and Health Sciences may find it necessary to deny admission to a qualified applicant because of enrollment limits in the professional program. Depending on the number of qualified applicants, meeting minimum criteria for admission may not be sufficient to be accepted into the nursing major. The College of Nursing and Health Sciences does not keep a rolling waiting list from semester to semester. A new application is required for each application deadline date.

**5. I would like to transfer into the BSN program, what courses will transfer in?**

Please check the transfer student page on the UWEC admissions website (<http://www.uwec.edu/admissions/Transferreq.htm#transfer>) to determine which courses may transfer to UWEC by entering the course number. If you have further questions about transfer credits, please contact the admissions office or the Associate Dean's Office at the College of Nursing and Health Sciences (715-836-6012).

**6. Can I complete an application to the BSN nursing program online?**

Applications for the BSN program must be picked up at information sessions regarding the nursing major or mailed to students. A student must be accepted into UWEC before applying to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. The application for general admission to the UW-Eau Claire campus can be completed online but the application to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences is separate and can not be completed online.

**7. I am interested in the accelerated BSN program, when will this program begin again?**

Contact Cheryl Brandt, Accelerated BSN Program Coordinator, at 715-836-4024 for information about the accelerated BSN program and when the next students will be enrolled.

**8. I am interested in coming to UWEC and would like to take a tour of the nursing building, how do I arrange a tour?**

If you are interested in touring the College of Nursing and Health Sciences building, please contact the Associate Dean's office (715-836-6012) to arrange for a tour. The office will let you know the times available for tours, as they vary semester to semester.