

# Nursing - Marshfield pre-licensure program



UW-Eau Claire educates nurses at the baccalaureate, master's and doctoral levels. We offer various options, including our pre-licensure program at our Marshfield site, for students seeking a Bachelor of Science (BSN) degree in nursing. Our Marshfield site is located in Marshfield Medical Center in Marshfield, Wisconsin in cooperation with Marshfield Clinic Health System. Courses are taught by UW-Eau Claire faculty located in Marshfield, by faculty from Eau Claire, and via interactive distance education classrooms.

## Major

**Comprehensive major (no minor required)**

- **Nursing** - Marshfield Program - Bachelor of Science (BSN)

## Prepared for Success

Our nationally recognized nursing program graduates more than 150 BSN students each year. We offer exciting cultural immersion clinical experiences in places such as Mexico; Harlaxton, England; and South Dakota. Nearly 100 percent of our graduates have jobs or are continuing their education within one year of graduation.

At UW-Eau Claire you can obtain a graduate degree in nursing and

receive advanced role preparation as a clinical nurse specialist, nurse practitioner, nurse administrator or nurse educator.

## First-Year Suggested Curriculum

- General Chemistry
- University writing requirement
- General Psych
- Biochemistry
- Anatomy and Physiology I
- Human Development
- General electives

Note: CNA certification is a prerequisite to NRS 267, a sophomore nursing clinical course. Admitted students should have wireless laptop access.

“In the bachelor of science in nursing program at UW-Eau Claire's Marshfield site, the small classroom sizes and campus allow students easy access to their instructors and enable them to really connect at a personal level. The program prepares student nurses to succeed and becomes a foundation for a lifelong learning career.”

— Mai Doua Yang |  
Marshfield Nursing

## Course Work / Pre-Professional Courses

**Pre-nursing**

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academic year), students complete at least 30 semester credits with courses in general chemistry, biochemistry, anatomy and physiology, and microbiology. These prerequisite courses can be taken at a variety of institutions. Undergraduate program plans have been developed for three campuses in the Marshfield area: UW-Stevens Point, UW-Marshfield/Wood County, and UW-Marathon County. Students must determine that courses they plan to take will transfer into UW-Eau Claire as equivalent to required courses. Students should contact Dr. Rachel Merkel (see contact information listed on this page) before beginning their course work to plan for integration and equivalency of the courses required at UW-Eau Claire. The program plans are developed for full-time study; however, pre-nursing courses can be completed as a part-time student.

## Professional curriculum

The professional curriculum includes 60 credits in nursing courses (in three academic years). Students under faculty supervision gain experience in places such as hospitals, short-term rehabilitation facilities, community/public health agencies, ambulatory care facilities, schools, and nursing homes. Students must be full-time while completing the professional curriculum. Students at the Marshfield site receive the same high quality education as those enrolled at the main campus in Eau Claire.

## Special Admission Guidelines

Formal application to the BSN traditional pre-licensure program must be made. Students are encouraged to apply during the semester in which 30 credits will be completed. The deadlines for filing applications to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences are Dec. 1 and May 1.

Students must specify whether they are applying to the Eau Claire site or to the Marshfield site. To be considered for admission to the nursing program, students must have:

- Been accepted as a pre-nursing student to the university in good standing.
- Completed at least 30 semester credits, not including courses for nursing assistant certification, with a total grade-point average of at least a 3.0 (includes transfer credits).
- Completed at least three required natural science courses, two of which are laboratory science courses, with a grade-point average of at least 2.50.
- Earned a "C" in all required pre-nursing courses.
- Completed all application materials.
- Submitted a non-refundable application fee.

NOTE: 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, it is likely that the GPA required to be competitive for admission may be well above the 3.00 minimum cumulative GPA. Because nursing is a professional discipline, students must anticipate some additional expenses related to the nursing program (see Catalog). Also, textbook costs can be high, particularly in the early nursing courses; however, many books continue to be utilized in subsequent semesters.