



## Pre-Nursing Prerequisites Guide

This guide contains common requirements for the pre-nursing program at WSU. The program is designed to have the first two years (approximately four semesters) at the Pullman campus. Students can then apply to the [WSU Nursing program](#) or another institution's nursing program. If applying to other institutions, please review their website to determine their specific requirements for admission. **Bolded courses are prerequisites for the Nursing program at WSU.**

### Course Prerequisites at WSU

#### Semester 1

- **Introduction to Chemistry (CHEM 101)**
- **Introductory Psychology (PSYCH 105)**
- **Introduction to Statistical Methods (STAT 212)**
- UCORE WRTG (ENGLISH 101) or ROOT (HISTORY 105)

#### Semester 2

- **Chemistry Related to Life Sciences (CHEM 102)**
- **Sociology Course (select one)**
  - **SOC 101 - Introduction to Sociology**
  - **SOC 102 – Social Problems**
- **Biology Courses (select one course)**
  - General Biology (BIOLOGY 102)
  - Introductory Biology: Organismal Biology (BIOLOGY 106)
  - Introductory Biology: Cell Biology and Genetics (BIOLOGY 107)
- UCORE WRTG (ENGLISH 101) or ROOT (HISTORY 105) – whichever not taken first semester
- UCORE Course (DIVR or EQJS)

#### Semester 3

- **Introductory Human Physiology (BIOLOGY 251)**
- **Introductory Microbiology (MBIOS 101)**
- UCORE course (COMM or WRTG)
- UCORE course (ARTS)
- [University Writing Portfolio](#)



- Schedule [TEAS exam](#)

#### Semester 4

- **Gross and Microanatomy (BIOLOGY 315)**
- **Human Development Across the Lifespan (H\_D 101)**
- **Nutrition Course (select one)**
  - **Introduction to Nutritional Science (BIOLOGY 140)**
  - **Human Nutrition and Health (BIOLOGY 333)**
- UCORE course (HUM)

## Other Common Program Requirements

In addition to the prerequisite courses listed above, most nursing programs require additional requirements for applying to their programs. Most programs use [holistic admissions](#), where more than GPA and TEAS scores are used to determine admissions.

For the nursing program at Washington State University, the following requirements are used to holistically determine admissions:

- Junior Standing: 60 semester (90 quarter) credits
- Cumulative GPA of **3.0** or higher
- Completion of **prerequisite courses** with at least a C grade/2.0 GPA in each course
  - No more than three prerequisite courses can be in progress at time of application
- The [TEAS](#) must be taken within one year of applying
  - earn a score of 70% or higher on the exam
- Experiences
  - Work or volunteer experience within the last three years are recommended but not required.
  - Up to 500 (total) hours will be considered in your application
- Successful completion of the [NursingCAS application](#)

## Application Timeline

Applications are accepted twice a year for the WSU Nursing program with fall or spring semester start dates. Applications are completed using the [NursingCAS application](#). To apply for Fall Semester, applications are open on November 15<sup>th</sup> and must be submitted by January 15<sup>th</sup>. To apply for Spring Semester, applications are open on May 15<sup>th</sup> and must be



submitted by July 15th. The applications are evaluated using holistic admissions process and top prospective students are invited for a remote interview via Kira Talent. Offers for admissions are usually made 4-6 weeks after the interview.

## Resources

### *Additional Resources on Holistic Admissions*

- [Experiences, Attributes, and Metrics Handout](#)
- [Examples of Questions for Holistic Admissions Process](#)

### *Other Resources*

- Prerequisite course information can be found in our [BSN Transfer Guide](#)
- [Nursing Pre-Requisite GPA Calculator](#)
- [How to Apply using NursingCAS](#)