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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Valid LPN license and graduation from a state Board of Nursing-approved LPN program
- Verification of a minimum of 1 year of employment including at least 1,000 hours of clinical practice as an LPN prior to starting NURS courses
- Overall grade-point average of 3.0 in the general education coursework
- A grade of C or better in all prerequisite courses and a 2.5 GPA in the prerequisite science courses
- Foundations of Nursing Acceleration Challenge exam must be passed.
Note: Students who graduate from a ACEN accredited LPN program are not required to take the NLN Nursing Acceleration Challenge exam for admission.

- Applications and official transcripts must be sent to NursingCAS (nursingcas.org) to the OCU LPN-BSN program. Deadlines for submission of verification of employment and acceleration challenge:
 - Fall: May 15th
 - Spring: October 15th

CHALLENGE EXAMS

- Minimum score of 70 on each NLN Nursing Acceleration Challenge exam taken to qualify for course credit. Students who successfully complete the Nursing Acceleration Challenge exam will receive credit for the corresponding courses. Maximum of two attempts on the challenge exam. The exam must be taken within two years to receive credit

for the course. Up to 13 credit hours may apply toward the degree for successful completion of NLN Nursing Acceleration Challenge exam.

- To receive credit on the academic record the following are required:
 - Successful completion of NLN Nursing Acceleration Challenge exams
 - Subsequent admission to the Kramer School of Nursing (KSN) BSN program
 - Successful completion of 12 or more semester hours of academic coursework in NURS courses at KSN, including successful completion of one clinical course

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

English Composition I	3
English Composition II	3
Liberal Arts Seminar	3*
United States History	3
Methods of Scientific Inquiry	3
Philosophy/Ethics	3
(must be from among specified courses)	
Introduction to Biblical Literature or World Religions	3**
Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences, College Algebra, or higher math	3
(statistics recommended)	
American Government	3
Arts course	3
World Literature or Western Literature	3
Foreign language	6
(in the same language)	
Enough electives to bring the grand total to at least 124 credit hours.	
Recommended electives:	
Introduction to Sociology	3
Principles of Microeconomics	3
A second math course from the list above	3
Public Speaking	3

*Freshmen and transfer students who have fewer than 29 credit hours are required to take LAS 1063 within the first 12 months of attending OCU. Transfer students with more than 29 credit hours must transfer in a three-hour course or take an additional three-hour course from OCU to meet this requirement.

NURSING PREREQUISITES

MUST BE TAKEN BEFORE STARTING 3000-LEVEL NURSING COURSES

Human Anatomy with a lab	3-5*
Human Physiology with a lab	3-5*
Microbiology with a lab	3-4*
Introduction to Psychology	3
A college chemistry course with a lab, preferably introductory, general, or organic chemistry	4-5*

*Two semesters of combined Anatomy & Physiology may be substituted. Online courses may not be transferred in.

TESTING REQUIREMENTS

NLN Acceleration Challenge Entrance Exams:

- Foundations of Nursing* 5
- Child Health Nursing 4
- Family Health Nursing 4

Simulation experience on content from these courses will still be required of all students.

*Denotes a required exam for all applicants

REQUIRED COURSES

FOR STUDENTS PASSING ALL NLN CHALLENGE EXAMS

Option 01: Accelerated

First Semester (Spring):

NURS 2403 Nutrition	3
NURS 3113 Transition to Professional Nursing	3*
(must pass to continue)	
NURS 3002 Clinical Judgment in Nursing	2

NURS 3103 Nursing Pharmacology	3
NURS 3306 Adult Health Nursing I	6

Second Semester (Summer):

NURS 4306 Adult Health Nursing II	6
NURS 3503 Nursing Research	3
NURS 3304 Mental Health Nursing	4

Third Semester (Fall):

NURS 4704 Critical Care Nursing	4
NURS 4905 Nursing Leadership	5
NURS 4104 Community Health Nursing	4

Option 02: Part-Time

First Semester (Fall):

NURS 2403 Nutrition	3
NURS 3203 Bridge into Professional Nursing	3*
(must pass to continue)	

NURS 3002 Clinical Judgment in Nursing	2
NURS 3103 Nursing Pharmacology	3

Second Semester (Spring):

NURS 3306 Adult Health Nursing I	6
NURS 3304 Mental Health Nursing	4

Third Semester (Fall):

NURS 4306 Adult Health Nursing II	6
NURS 4104 Community Health Nursing	4

Fourth Semester (Spring):

NURS 3503 Nursing Research	3
NURS 4704 Critical Care Nursing	4
NURS 4905 Nursing Leadership	5

*New courses to be developed

In order to earn a baccalaureate degree at Oklahoma City University, the last 40 credits MUST be earned at OCU.

This quality program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, 3343 Peachtree Road NW Suite 500, Atlanta, GA 30326, (404) 975-5000, or www.acenursing.org. Kramer School of Nursing is approved by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing to offer programs leading to nursing licensure.



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