

Nursing Information Packet

The information contained in this packet is designed to provide students with an overview of the nursing programs offered by ASU’s Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

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The Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation prepares graduates for excellence upon entering the workplace. Since certification and licensure requirements vary by profession and from state-to-state, we recommend that you visit Professional Licensure (asuonline.asu.edu/about-us/licensure) to determine the requirements of individual state licensures or national certifications.

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Pathways at a Glance

Pathways	Candidates	Selection Process	Start Dates	Program Length	Prep for NCLEX-RN*	Degree Awarded
Traditional Prelicensure Clinical Nursing Program	Applicants seeking their first bachelor's degree	Competitive	Fall Spring Summer	4 semesters (16-24 months)	Yes	BSN
Accelerated BSN – Downtown Phoenix	Applicants with a regionally accredited bachelor's degree and current Edson College first-degree seeking students	Competitive	Spring	3 semesters (12 months)	Yes	BSN
Accelerated BSN – ASU@Lake Havasu	Applicants seeking their first bachelor's degree and applicants with a regionally accredited bachelor's degree	Competitive	Fall	3 semesters (12 months)	Yes	BSN
Master of Science in Nursing (Entry to Practice)	Applicants with a regionally accredited bachelor's degree	Competitive	Fall	5 semesters (20 months)	Yes	MS
Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP)	Applicants admitted to or enrolled in a regionally accredited associate degree nursing program	Varies by Community College	Fall Spring Summer	~30 months	Yes – through associate degree at community college	Associate degree in nursing & BSN
RN to BSN Online Program	Applicants who are associate degree-prepared registered nurses (RN)	Non-competitive	Fall Spring Summer	14-24 months	No – this pathway is for licensed RNs	BSN

*The NCLEX-RN is the national exam to become licensed as a Registered Nurse (RN).

Traditional Prelicensure Clinical Nursing Program

1. How are students admitted to the BSN Nursing?

First-year students (applicants with 11 or fewer transferable credits completed post-high school graduation) applying to ASU's nursing major are admitted to one of two majors. Applicants meeting direct admission criteria will be admitted to ASU with nursing as their major. Applicants who do not meet nursing direct admission criteria will be admitted to the community health major.

Students with direct admission to nursing who meet Continuing Eligibility Criteria are guaranteed a seat in the clinical nursing program. Students admitted to community health may apply through the competitive application process for any remaining spaces in the clinical nursing program after direct admission students are placed. Space is very limited, and placement is not guaranteed.

Transfer students must be admitted to ASU before applying for advancement into the Traditional Prelicensure Clinical Nursing Program. Transfer students will be admitted to the community health major.

Current ASU students interested in changing their major to nursing should review this document and meet with an advisor in the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation to discuss options to apply through the competitive application process.

2. What are the minimum direct admission requirements for incoming first-year students?

Effective fall 2022, first-year direct admission requirements are:

- top 10% of high school graduating class **OR**
- 3.80 GPA in ASU competency courses (based on 4.00 grading scale) **OR**
- 3.50 GPA in ASU competency courses AND either a 25 ACT or 1230 SAT combined evidence-based reading and writing plus math score

The priority application date to be considered for direct admission into the nursing major is **November 1**.

First-year admission applications to the nursing major that are received after the November 1 application priority date are considered on a space-available basis. Students not offered admission directly to the nursing program are placed in the BS program in community health.

Direct admission requirements are subject to change each academic year. For fall 2023 admission criteria, please check back in summer 2022.

3. What are the Continuing Eligibility Criteria (CEC) for direct admission students in the nursing major?

Direct admission students must meet Continuing Eligibility Criteria (CEC) to maintain their seat in the clinical nursing program. If a student fails to meet all criteria, they forfeit their direct admission status, and their major will be changed to community health or another baccalaureate health program in the Edson College. They may apply through the competitive application process for any available spaces in the upper-division clinical nursing program; however, placement is not guaranteed.

CEC are subject to review and change each academic year. CEC for fall 2022 direct admission students will be provided to the student at their Academic Orientation Session, which takes place March-July 2022.

Current CEC:

- Enroll in the courses following the published course sequence on the major map.
- Courses taken at institutions other than ASU, during the required term, must have the grades recorded on the ASU system by the final grading deadline (degree conferral dates) per the ASU Academic Calendar.
- 3.50 minimum critical (prerequisite) course GPA each semester.
- Grades of C or better in critical (prerequisite) courses.
- Successful completion of all screening items / Health and Safety Requirements.

- Any deviation from the approved major map requires a petition and approval from the academic program. Please consult with your advisor for more information.

4. How are students advanced into the upper-division clinical nursing program?

Advancement to the clinical nursing program is based on clinical space availability, and all students must submit an advancement application by the deadline for each advancement cycle.

Students directly admitted to the nursing major who meet Continuing Eligibility Criteria are guaranteed to advance to the clinical program within one year of eligibility. Students who are admitted to community health or another major may compete for limited seats through the competitive application process.

5. Are there additional requirements I need to meet if selected for advancement?

Clinical nursing students must meet specific Health and Safety Requirements outlined in this packet.

Traditional Prelicensure – Competitive Application Process

After direct admission students are placed into the clinical program, any remaining spaces will be offered to competitive applicants with the highest advancement scores. The Traditional Prelicensure BSN program is only open to students that have not yet completed a bachelor's degree. Prospective students with a bachelor's degree should consider applying to the Accelerated BSN and/or MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) programs.

Competitive applicants must be in good academic standing at Arizona State University to apply. There is no guarantee spaces will be available through the competitive application process. At this time, no other academic, professional or philanthropic items are considered.

Prerequisite Courses

There are 17 prerequisite (or critical) courses that students must complete to be eligible for consideration. All transfer coursework must be evaluated and approved in the Transfer Guide (asu.edu/transferecredit) prior to the application deadline. If a transfer course is not deemed equivalent, students are expected to meet with an Edson College student services team member to discuss additional options. Per university policy, students may not repeat an undergraduate course for credit when a grade of "C" or higher is earned. Please speak with an Edson College student services team member about replacement course options. Applicants must have all general studies courses except their upper division HU/SB and literacy requirements prior to advancing into the clinical nursing program.

BIO 201* Human Anatomy and Physiology I/Lab (SG) (4 Credits)	BIO 202* Human Anatomy and Physiology II/Lab (4 Credits)	CHM 101* Introductory Chemistry/Lab (SQ) (4 Credits)	MIC 205 + 206* Microbiology with Lab (SG) (4 Credits)	ENG 101 First Year Composition (3 Credits)	ENG 102 First Year Composition (3 Credits)
HCR 210 Ethics for the Health Care Professional (HU) (3 Credits)	HCR 220 Introduction to Health Professions and the U.S. Health Care Systems (H) (3 Credits)	HCR 230 Culture & Health (C,G) (3 Credits)	HCR 240* Human Pathophysiology (4 Credits)	MAT 142 College Mathematics or Higher (MA) (3 Credits)	NTR 241 Human Nutrition (3 Credits)
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (SB) (3 Credits)	Human Development CDE 232 or equivalent course (SB) (3 Credits)	Humanities/Fine Arts (HU) or Social Behavioral Science (SB) (3 Credits)	Statistics (CS) (3 Credits)	Elective (3 Credits)	*Courses with an asterisk subject to 10 year expiration policy.

Select GPA and Prerequisite GPA

Grade eligibility for advancement is measured in two ways: the first is called the "Select GPA," and the second is called the "Prerequisite GPA." Both GPA's must meet or exceed 3.25 for eligibility, though typically applicants who advance have much higher GPAs. Plus (+) and minus (-) grades will not be used in either computation (e.g. a "B+" grade becomes a "B," an "A-" grade becomes an "A," etc.). Grades earned at ASU and at other colleges are given the same weight. Per university policy, students may not repeat an undergraduate course for credit when a grade of "C" or higher is earned. Please speak with an Edson College student services team member about replacement course options.

- 1. Select GPA:** Must meet or exceed 3.25 and is calculated from 13 of the 17 critical course grades. A student may have up to four courses in progress while being considered. Only completed courses on file with ASU may be used in the Select GPA. Applicants identify which courses to use in the Select GPA. The 13 critical courses used to compute the Select GPA must include:

- **First Year Composition courses:** ENG 101 and ENG 102 (or approved equivalent courses).
- **Three of the four required laboratory science courses:** BIO 201, BIO 202, CHM 101 and MIC 205/206 (or approved equivalent courses). Lab science courses must have been taken within 10 years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will begin.
- **Eight (8) additional critical courses.**

2. **Prerequisite GPA:** After all 17 critical courses are completed, a prerequisite GPA is calculated and must meet or exceed 3.25 to retain a space in the program. All 17 critical courses are included in the GPA calculation which occurs at the deadline (determined each cycle) to complete remaining four or fewer prerequisites.

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

All competitive applicants must take the TEAS prior to the application deadline. It is strongly recommended that applicants take the exam through ASU's University Office of Evaluation and Educational Effectiveness (uoeee.asu.edu). For tests taken outside of ASU, applicants must contact ATI Testing to request that an official transcript be sent to the Student Academic Services Office. For study material, visit atitesting.com.

The TEAS exam measures skills in reading, mathematics, science, and English language and usage. Applicants are allowed one attempt at the TEAS per application cycle, unless a failing score below 58.7% is earned. If a student earns less than 58.7%, one retest is permitted but the student must wait a minimum of 30 days between tests. For example, if a student wishing to start the traditional program in spring takes the TEAS exam on June 30 and earns a 48.9%, the TEAS test could be attempted a second time on any testing date starting July 30, but prior to the September 1st application deadline. Scores are valid up to one year from when a student took the test, and scores must be less than one year old on the application deadline).

Advancement Score Calculation

The advancement score calculation is 50% Select GPA and 50% TEAS score. The maximum advancement score a student can earn is a 2.000, which is a 4.000 Select GPA and 100% TEAS score. All applicants requesting advancement are ranked from highest to lowest advancement score. Students are then assigned spaces based on their ranking until all vacant spaces are filled. In the event of a tie, admission will be determined by random selection.

Part One: Select GPA. Identify which eligible 13 courses will be used in the "Select GPA," and calculate a GPA from those courses. The Select GPA is converted to a 1-point scale by dividing by 4.00. The Select GPA must fall within a range of 0.8125 to 1.000. For example, a Select GPA of 3.832 will be divided by 4.000, to be converted to 0.958 out of a possible 1.000. Only courses completed and on file with ASU by the application deadline will be considered.

Part Two: TEAS Score. To calculate the score, divide the TEAS score by 100 for the point value. A passing TEAS score can range from 58.7% to 100%, which is converted to a 0.587 or 1.000, respectively. For example, if a student achieves an 87.3% on the TEAS, that student will earn 0.873 points out of a possible 1.000.

Converted Select GPA	+	TEAS	=	Advancement Score
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Placement Considerations

During the selection process, preference will be given to applicants completing their first regionally accredited bachelor's degree. Postbaccalaureate, or second bachelor's degree seeking, students should consider other Edson College prelicensure nursing pathways including the Accelerated BSN and/or MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice).

Course Guidelines and Limitations

- Science courses (CHM 101, BIO 201, BIO 202, MIC 205 & 206) and HCR 240 must be completed within 10 years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will begin.
- Coursework completed at another institution must be evaluated through the Transfer Guide *before* applying for advancement. Search transfer courses or submit a course for evaluation at asu.edu/transfercrredit.
- Courses with a grade of 'C' or better may not be repeated to improve the prerequisite GPA. Consult with an Edson College advisor for replacement course options, if available.

Timeline and Deadlines

Program Begins (Term/Month)	Summer (May)	Fall (August)	Spring (January)
Program Type	Year Round (16 months)	Traditional (24 months)	Traditional (24 months)
Recommended date to apply to ASU for undergraduate degree-seeking admission*	November 1	November 1	July 1
Deadline to have official TEAS scores on file with ASU	January 31	January 31	August 31
Advancement application deadline	February 1	February 1	September 1
Deadline to be admitted to ASU as a degree-seeking undergraduate	February 1	February 1	September 1
Deadline for 13 of 17 prerequisites	February 1	February 1	September 1
Approx. deadline to complete remaining 4 or fewer prerequisites	May 15	May 15	December 15

*Applicants need to allow enough time to apply and be admitted to ASU. Applicants may apply to ASU after this date, but we recommend early action to ensure admission by the advancement deadline. To be admitted to ASU, students must meet all Admission Services requirements.

Competitive Advancement Placement Data

Advancement into the upper-division clinical nursing program is very competitive with few seats available. Placement is not guaranteed.

Cycle	Seats	Eligible Applicants (includes Direct Admission)	% Competitive Applicants Advanced	Competitive Advanced – Average Select GPA	Competitive Advanced – Average TEAS Score	Lowest Advancement Score
Summer/Fall 2018	160	290	36.22%	3.89	86.82%	1.78649
Spring 2019	64	170	20.15%	3.94	88.80%	1.83891
Summer/Fall 2019	140	283	19.19%	3.95	90.5%	1.847
Spring 2020	72	85	83.87%	3.86	88.18%	1.55181
Summer/Fall 2020	248	251	100%	3.80	80.67%	1.53721
Spring 2021	72	118	46%	3.89	83.70%	1.68023

Traditional Prelicensure – Next Steps

- 1. First-Year Students:** Attend Experience ASU and an Edson College Academic Session. visit.asu.edu
Transfer Students: Attend a Nursing Information Session. nursingandhealth.asu.edu/admissions/information-sessions
- 2. Review transfer credits.** asu.edu/transfercredit
If you are transferring credits to ASU from another college or university, determine course equivalencies from other regionally accredited institutions using ASU's Transfer Guide. If a course(s) is not listed in the Transfer Guide, submit the course(s) for evaluation to have your course(s) officially evaluated for equivalency at ASU. The evaluation may be completed prior to admission.
- 3. Contact us with questions.**
 - **Prospective students (not yet admitted to ASU):** Contact our recruitment office at (602) 496-0937 or asu.bsn@asu.edu.
 - **Admitted or current ASU students:** Contact our advising office at (602) 496-0888, option #4 or EdsonCollege.Advising@asu.edu.
- 4. Apply for admission.** admission.asu.edu/apply
If you are ready to join ASU and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation, your first step is to apply for admission.
- 5. Review the Advancement Guide and submit the Traditional Prelicensure BSN Advancement Application.** nursingandhealth.asu.edu/student-life/current-students/clinical-nursing-advancement-application
Students preparing to submit an advancement application for an upcoming deadline must review the advancement guide. Updated advancement guides will be posted approximately one month prior to each application deadline.

Traditional Prelicensure – Check Sheet

LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS				UPPER DIVISION CLINICAL NURSING PROGRAM	
COURSE TITLE	UNITS	GRADE	SEM	COURSE TITLE	UNITS
ASU 101-NU The ASU Experience Required for First Time Freshmen Only	1			Term 5	15
PREREQUISITE COURSES				NUR 325 Health and Illness Concepts I	3
BIO 201 Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (SG)				NUR 330 Professional Nurse Attributes (HU)	3
BIO 202 Human Anatomy & Physiology II with Lab (SG)				NUR 336 Experiential Nursing	3
CDE 232 Human Development (SB)				NUR 346 Nursing Practice: Geriatric and Adult Health	3
CHM 101 Introduction to Chemistry with Lab (SQ)				NUR 352 Fundamental Concepts in Nursing	3
ENG 101 First Year Composition				Term 6	16
ENG 102 First Year Composition				NUR 315 Nursing Research and Application to Practice (L)	3
HCR 210 Clinical Health Care Ethics (HU)				NUR 326 Health and Illness Concepts: Adults and Psychiatric/Mental Health	4
HCR 220 Intro to Nursing and Healthcare Systems (H)				NUR 337 Experiential Learning: Intermediate	3
HCR 230 Culture and Health (C, G)				NUR 347 Nursing Practice: Psychiatric/ Mental Health and Childbearing Family	3
HCR 240 Human Pathophysiology				NUR 353 Integration of Concepts Across the Lifespan: Conception to End of Life	3
Humanities/Fine Arts (HU) or Social Behavioral Science (SB)				Term 7	16
MAT 117 or 142 or higher (MA)				NUR 404 Professional Nurse Concepts: Intermediate	2
MIC 205 Microbiology (SG) and MIC 206 Microbiology Lab (SG)				NUR 425 Health and Illness Concepts: Adults and Pediatrics	3
NTR 241 Human Nutrition				NUR 436 Experiential Learning: Advanced	3
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (SB)				NUR 446 Complex Nursing Practice: Adults	2
Statistics (CS)				NUR 452 Concepts in Population-Based Health	3
3-Credit Elective				NUR 458 Interprofessional Education and Collaboration Seminar	3
Complete Online Advancement Workshop six (6) months prior to the application deadline to review academic and non-academic requirements.				Term 8	15
				NUR 405 Professional Nurse Concepts: Advanced	3
				NUR 413 Nursing for Complex Care	3
				NUR 437 Experiential Learning: Readiness to Practice	3
				NUR 448 Nursing Practice Readiness	3
				NUR 453 Integration Concepts in the Health Care (L)	3

Accelerated BSN

1. What is the Accelerated BSN?

The Accelerated BSN is a 12-month accelerated clinical nursing program. The 12-month timeline does not account for the time it takes to complete prerequisites.

The program is year-round (including spring, summer and fall terms) and begins twice per year – once in spring (January) at the Downtown Phoenix campus and once in fall (August) at ASU@Lake Havasu.

Admission pathways vary by cohort location.

Graduates are prepared to take the NCLEX-RN.

2. How do the cohorts at the Downtown Phoenix campus and the ASU@Lake Havasu location compare?

The curriculum for both locations is the same, but they are delivered in different places. Students admitted to the spring cohort at the Downtown Phoenix campus will complete courses, simulation and clinicals in the Phoenix-metro area. Students admitted to the fall cohort at ASU@Lake Havasu will complete courses and clinicals in the Lake Havasu City/Kingman area. The ASU@Lake Havasu cohort may have simulation days/weeks at the Downtown Phoenix campus 2-3 times per semester. Learn more about ASU@Lake Havasu at havasuu.asu.edu.

3. How are students admitted/advanced to the Accelerated BSN?

Advancement pathways vary by cohort location.

For the **Downtown Phoenix** cohort (spring start):

- Postbaccalaureate and Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants are considered for admission. Postbaccalaureate applicants are given priority consideration.
- Students must be admitted to ASU to be considered for advancement to the Accelerated BSN. Students should apply (admission.asu.edu/apply) to ASU as a community health, integrative health or health care coordination major at the Downtown Phoenix campus.
- Students must also apply for advancement to the clinical nursing program through the competitive application process. Placement is determined by advancement scores. Advancement scores are based on a Select GPA and the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) score (equally weighted).
- If selected for advancement into the Accelerated BSN, the student's major will be changed to nursing and campus will be updated if needed.
- Placement in the Accelerated BSN is competitive and a limited number of spaces are available.
- First-bachelor's degree seeking applicants must currently be enrolled at ASU as an Edson College major to be eligible.

For the **Lake Havasu** cohort (fall start):

- There are two pathways for admission: direct admission and competitive application process.
 - **Direct Admission** – First-year students who apply to nursing and meet the direct admission criteria will be admitted directly to nursing. Effective fall 2022, first-year direct admission requirements are:
 - top 10% of high school graduating class **OR**
 - 3.80 GPA in ASU competency courses (based on 4.00 grading scale) **OR**
 - 3.50 GPA in ASU competency courses **AND** either a 25 ACT or 1230 SAT combined evidence-based reading and writing plus math score

The priority application date to be considered for direct admission into the nursing major is **November 1**. First-year admission applications to the nursing major that are received after the November 1 application priority date are considered on a space-available basis. Students not offered admission directly to the nursing program are placed in the BS program in health education and health promotion at Lake Havasu.

Direct admission requirements are subject to change each academic year. For fall 2023 admission criteria, please check back in summer 2022.

- **Competitive Application Process** – After direct admission students are placed, postbaccalaureate and first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants are considered for any remaining spaces. Postbaccalaureate applicants are given priority consideration.
 - Students must be admitted to ASU to be considered for advancement to the Accelerated BSN. Students should apply (admission.asu.edu/apply) to ASU as a health education and health promotion major at the Lake Havasu location.
 - Students must also apply for advancement to the clinical nursing program through the competitive application process. Placement is determined by advancement scores. Advancement scores are based on a Select GPA and the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) score (equally weighted).
 - If selected for advancement into the Accelerated BSN, the student's major will be changed to nursing and campus will be updated if needed.
 - Placement in the Accelerated BSN is competitive and a limited number of spaces are available.

4. Can I be in the process of completing my bachelor's degree when I apply to the Accelerated BSN?

If a student is pursuing a bachelor's degree with an institution other than ASU, no. To be considered, students must have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution in a discipline other than nursing with official transcripts on file with Arizona State University by the advancement deadline.

For students applying for advancement to the spring Accelerated BSN cohort at the Downtown Phoenix campus: If a student is completing an undergraduate degree from ASU in December, they need to apply for graduation by September 1, and the student's degree audit (DARS) must show all degree requirements in progress or completed by September 1.

For students applying for advancement to the fall Accelerated BSN cohort at ASU@Lake Havasu: If a student is completing an undergraduate degree from ASU in May, they need to apply for graduation by February 1, and the student's degree audit (DARS) must show all degree requirements in progress or completed by February 1.

5. Am I eligible to apply to the Accelerated BSN as a postbaccalaureate applicant if my bachelor's degree was earned at a foreign (non-U.S.) institution?

Possibly. Your bachelor's degree from a non-U.S. institution must be evaluated and deemed equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree. To have an international degree evaluated for equivalency to a U.S. bachelor's degree, prospective students must apply for admission to ASU and send official transcripts (including an English translation, if required). Once these steps are complete, students should contact the Edson College recruitment office to request the evaluation of their degree at AcceleratedBSN@asu.edu. An external evaluation from a third party credentials evaluator will not be accepted.

If Edson College determines an international degree is equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree, the applicant will be notified. If deemed equivalent, the applicant must meet with an academic advisor to confirm all of the following will be completed before the Accelerated BSN program begins: minimum 70 credit hours, First-Year Composition, and all general studies (excluding upper-division Literacy and upper-division Humanities/Social Behavioral Science.)

6. Can I apply to the Accelerated BSN with the prerequisite courses in progress?

Postbaccalaureate applicants may be enrolled in two or fewer prerequisite courses at the time of application; however, three out of the four required lab science courses (CHM 101, BIO 201, BIO 202, MIC 205/206) must be completed by the advancement deadline. The remaining two prerequisites must be completed, with grades posted on official transcripts received by ASU before beginning the clinical program (a deadline will be specified each year).

First-bachelor's degree seeking applicants may be enrolled in four or fewer prerequisite courses at the time of application; however, three out of the four required lab science courses (CHM 101, BIO 201, BIO 202, MIC 205/206) must be completed by the advancement deadline. The remaining four prerequisites must be completed, with grades posted on official transcripts received by ASU before beginning the clinical program (a deadline will be specified each year).

7. Are there additional requirements I need to meet if selected for advancement?

Clinical nursing students must meet specific Health and Safety Requirements outlined in this packet.

Accelerated BSN – Competitive Application Process

The Accelerated BSN is available to both postbaccalaureate and current Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking students through the competitive application process. Postbaccalaureate applicants are given priority placement. In addition, Edson College alumni are given preference for up to half of the available seats. Remaining spaces, if available, will be awarded to first-bachelor's degree seeking students. Eligibility requirements for postbaccalaureate and first-bachelor's degree seeking students vary. Read below for the requirements.

Postbaccalaureate Applicants

A prospective student is considered a postbaccalaureate applicant if they have a conferred bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university on file with ASU by the advancement deadline. Postbaccalaureate applicants may also be completing an undergraduate degree from Arizona State University by December for the spring advancement cohort or May for the fall advancement cohort – refer to requirements below for more details.

Postbaccalaureate Requirements

Students must meet the minimum eligibility requirements to be eligible for the Accelerated BSN:

- Conferred bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university on file with ASU by advancement deadline. If completing an undergraduate degree from Arizona State University, students must have both of the following by the advancement deadline: applied for graduation and the degree audit (DARS) must show that all requirements are in progress at ASU and will be completed in the semester prior to advancement (May for fall advancement; December for spring advancement).
 - It is the student's responsibility to contact their academic unit well before the deadline to ensure the degree audit is not missing any coursework. Edson College will not contact other units to verify coursework completion. In progress degrees from other regionally accredited colleges/universities are not eligible for consideration into the Accelerated BSN.
- Meet Select GPA, Prerequisite GPA, prerequisite course, and TEAS exam requirements as listed below by specified advancement deadlines.
- Enrolled in any unfulfilled general studies with a completion date prior to starting the clinical nursing program.
- Admitted to ASU by the advancement deadline as a degree-seeking undergraduate student for the semester in which the student plans to advance.
- Must be in academic good standing at ASU.
- Applicants with an international degree (earned from a non-U.S. institution)—degree must be evaluated as equivalent to a U.S. bachelor's degree by ASU and Edson College. To request this evaluation, send your official transcripts to ASU Admission Services and email AcceleratedBSN@asu.edu. A third party evaluation will not be accepted. If deemed equivalent, students must meet with an academic advisor to confirm all of the following will be completed before the Accelerated BSN program begins: minimum of 70 credit hours, First-Year Composition and all general studies (excluding upper division Literacy and upper division Humanities/Social Behavioral Science).

Postbaccalaureate Prerequisites

There are 10 prerequisite (or critical) courses that postbaccalaureate applicants must complete to be eligible for consideration. All transfer coursework must be evaluated and approved in the Transfer Guide (asu.edu/transfercredit) prior to the application deadline. If a transfer course is not deemed equivalent, students are expected to meet with an academic advisor to discuss additional options. In addition to the

coursework below, some students may need to fulfill ASU general studies coursework. Per university policy, students may not repeat an undergraduate course for credit when a grade of “C” or higher is earned. Please speak with an Edson College student services team member about replacement course options.

BIO 201* Human Anatomy and Physiology I/Lab (4 Credits)	BIO 202* Human Anatomy and Physiology II/Lab (4 Credits)	Human Development CDE 232 or equivalent course (SB) (3 Credits)	CHM 101* Introductory Chemistry/Lab (4 Credits)	HCR 220 Intro to Health Professions and the U.S. Health Care System (3 Credits)
HCR 240* Human Pathophysiology (4 Credits)	MIC 205 + 206* Microbiology with Lab (4 Credits)	NTR 241 Human Nutrition (3 Credits)	PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (3 Credits)	Statistics (CS) (3 Credits)

*Courses with an asterisk subject to 10 year expiration policy

Postbaccalaureate applicants must have 8 of the 10 prerequisite courses completed, including three of the four laboratory sciences, with grades posted on official transcripts and received by ASU, by the advancement deadline. The remaining two courses must be completed, with grades posted on official transcripts received by ASU prior to beginning the clinical nursing program (deadline specified each year).

Edson College First-Bachelor’s Degree Seeking Applicants

Edson College undergraduate students currently enrolled in their first bachelor’s degree who will not complete their before the clinical nursing program begins are eligible for consideration into the Accelerated BSN as a degree completion pathway. Applicants are also encouraged to apply to the Traditional Prelicensure BSN.

Edson College First-Bachelor’s Degree Seeking Requirements

Students must meet the minimum eligibility requirements to be eligible for the Accelerated BSN:

- Current Edson College undergraduate student in academic good standing and eligible to enroll in the semester the clinical program begins.
- Must have a minimum of 70 credit hours completed.
- Meet Select GPA, Prerequisite GPA, prerequisite course, and TEAS exam requirements as listed below.
- All general studies must be completed or in-progress with the exception of an upper-division Literacy and an upper-division HU/SB before the clinical nursing program begins.

Edson College First-Bachelor’s Degree Seeking Required Coursework

There are 17 critical courses that students must complete to be eligible for consideration. All transfer coursework must be evaluated and approved in the Transfer Guide (asu.edu/transferecredit) prior to the application deadline. If a transfer course is not deemed equivalent, students are expected to meet with an academic advisor to discuss additional options (a petition for substitution might be possible). Per university policy, students may not repeat an undergraduate course for credit when a grade of “C” or higher is earned. Please speak with your academic advisor about replacement course options.

BIO 201* Human Anatomy and Physiology I/Lab (SG) (4 Credits)	BIO 202* Human Anatomy and Physiology II/Lab (4 Credits)	CHM 101* Introductory Chemistry/Lab (SQ) (4 Credits)	MIC 205 + 206* Microbiology with Lab (SG) (4 Credits)	ENG 101 First Year Composition (3 Credits)	ENG 102 First Year Composition (3 Credits)
HCR 210 Ethics for the Health Care Professional (HU) (3 Credits)	HCR 220 Introduction to Health Professions and the U.S. Health Care Systems (H) (3 Credits)	HCR 230 Culture & Health (C,G) (3 Credits)	HCR 240* Human Pathophysiology (4 Credits)	MAT 142 College Mathematics or Higher (MA) (3 Credits)	NTR 241 Human Nutrition (3 Credits)
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (SB) (3 Credits)	Human Development CDE 232 or equivalent course (SB) (3 Credits)	Humanities/Fine Arts (HU) or Social Behavioral Science (SB) (3 Credits)	Statistics (CS) (3 Credits)	Elective (3 Credits)	*Courses with an asterisk subject to 10 year expiration policy.

Select GPA and Prerequisite GPA

For both postbaccalaureate and Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants, grade eligibility for advancement is measured in two ways: the first is called the "Select GPA," and the second is called the "Prerequisite GPA." **For eligibility, both GPAs must meet or exceed 3.00 for postbaccalaureate applicants or meet or exceed 3.25 for Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants**, though typically applicants who advance have a higher GPA. Plus (+) and minus (-) grades will not be used in either computation (e.g. a "B+" grade becomes a "B," an "A-" grade becomes an "A," etc.). Grades earned at ASU and at other colleges are given the same weight. Per university policy, students may not repeat an undergraduate course for credit when a grade of "C" or higher is earned. Please speak with an Edson College student services team member about replacement course options and policies.

- The **Select GPA** must meet the minimum GPA by the advancement deadline.
 - Postbaccalaureate applicants** – Select GPA is calculated from 8 of the 10 critical/prerequisite course grades – including three of the four required lab sciences and five additional courses. Lab science courses and HCR 240 must have been taken within 10 years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will start.

A student may have up to two classes in progress while an application is being considered, though only completed courses may be used in the Select GPA. Each applicant identifies which courses to use in the Select GPA on the application.

- Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants** – Select GPA is calculated from 13 or the 17 critical/prerequisite course grades – including First-Year Composition courses (ENG 101 and ENG 102), three of the four required lab science courses and eight additional courses. Lab science courses and HCR 240 must have been taken within 10 years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will start.

A student may have up to four classes in progress at ASU while an application is being considered. Each applicant identifies which courses to use in the Select GPA on the application.

- After all critical courses are completed, a **Prerequisite GPA** is calculated and must meet or exceed the minimum GPA to retain a space in the program. All critical courses are included in this GPA calculation which occurs at the deadline (specified each year) to complete remaining prerequisites.

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)

All applicants must take the TEAS prior to the application deadline. It is strongly recommended that applicants take the exam through ASU's University Office of Evaluation and Educational Effectiveness (uoeee.asu.edu). For tests taken outside of ASU, applicants must contact ATI Testing to request that an official transcript be sent to the Student Academic Services Office. For study material, visit atitesting.com.

The TEAS exam measures skills in reading, mathematics, science, and English language and usage. Applicants are allowed one attempt at the TEAS per application cycle, unless a failing score below 58.7% is earned. If a student earns less than 58.7%, one retest is permitted but the student must wait a minimum of 30 days between tests. For example, if a student wishing to start the clinical nursing program in spring takes the TEAS exam on June 30 and earns a 48.9%, the TEAS test could be attempted a second time on any testing date starting July 30, but prior to the September 1st application deadline. Scores are valid up to one year from when a student took the test, and scores must be less than one year old on the advancement deadline).

Advancement Score Calculation

The maximum advancement score a student can earn is a 2.000, which is a 4.000 Select GPA and 100% on the TEAS. All applicants requesting advancement are ranked from highest to lowest advancement score, with first-round preference given to students who are completing degrees or who have completed degrees in the following majors at ASU: Community Health, Health Care Coordination, Health Care Compliance and Regulations, Health Entrepreneurship and Innovation, and Integrative Health. For the spring cohort at the Downtown Phoenix campus, following the first-round selection process of up to 50% of available seats, remaining spaces will be offered first to postbaccalaureate applicants with the highest advancement scores and then to Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants with the highest advancement scores. In the event of an advancement score tie, admission will be determined by random selection.

Part One: Select GPA. Identify which eligible critical courses will be used in the "Select GPA," and calculate a GPA from those courses. The Select GPA is converted to a 1-point scale by dividing by 4.00. The Select GPA must fall within a range of 0.750 to 1.000 for postbaccalaureate applicants or a range of .8125 to 1.000 for Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants. For example, a Select GPA of a 3.832 will be divided by 4.000, to be converted to 0.958 out of a possible 1.000. Only courses completed and on file with ASU by advancement deadline will be considered.

Part Two: TEAS Score. To calculate the score, divide the TEAS score by 100 for the point value. A passing TEAS score can range from 58.7% to 100%, which is converted to a 0.587 or 1.000, respectively. For example, if a student achieves an 87.3% on the TEAS, that student will earn 0.873 points out of a possible 1.000.

Converted Select GPA	+	TEAS	=	Advancement Score
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Course Guidelines and Limitations

- Lab science courses (CHM 101, BIO 201, BIO 202 and MIC 205 & 206) and HCR 240 must be completed within 10 years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will begin.
- Coursework completed at another institution must be evaluated through the Transfer Guide *before* applying for advancement. Search transfer courses or submit a course for evaluation at asu.edu/transferecredit.
- Courses with a grade of 'C' or better may not be repeated to improve the prerequisite GPA. Consult with an Edson College advisor for replacement course options, if available.

Timeline and Deadlines

Program begins	Spring (January) Downtown Phoenix	Fall (August) ASU@Lake Havasu
Recommended date to apply to ASU for undergraduate degree-seeking admission*	July 1	November 1
Deadline to have official TEAS scores on file with ASU	August 31	January 31
Advancement application deadline	September 1	February 1
Deadline to be admitted to ASU as a degree-seeking undergraduate student	September 1	February 1
Postbaccalaureate applicants – 8 prerequisites including 3 of the 4 lab sciences (official transcripts at ASU)		
Edson College first-bachelor's degree seeking applicants – 13 of the 17 prerequisites including 3 of the 4 lab sciences and First-Year Composition courses (official transcripts at ASU)	September 1	February 1
Postbaccalaureate applicants – Bachelor's degree posted (official transcripts at ASU)	September 1	February 1
Approx. deadline to complete remaining prerequisites (will be specified in advancement guide each cycle)	December 15	August 10
Postbaccalaureate applicants with an international bachelor's degree– Deadline to complete First-Year Composition, general studies and awareness area requirements (excluding upper division Literacy and upper division SB/HU)	December 15	August 10

*Applicants need to allow enough time to apply and be admitted to ASU. Applicants may apply to ASU after this date, but we recommend early action to ensure admission by the advancement deadline. To be admitted to ASU, students must meet all Admission Services requirements.

Competitive Advancement Placement Data

Advancement into the upper division clinical nursing program is competitive. Placement is not guaranteed.
DPC = Downtown Phoenix campus cohort

Cycle	Seats	Eligible Applicants	% Competitive Applicants Advanced	Competitive Advanced – Average Select GPA	Competitive Advanced – Average TEAS Score	Lowest Advancement Score
Spring 2016 – DPC	48	62	77.42%	3.95	86.88%	1.7530
Spring 2017 – DPC	48	45	100%	3.88305	84.53%	1.55842
Spring 2018 – DPC	48	88	54.55%	3.90588	88.97%	1.79750
Spring 2019 – DPC	56	80	70%	3.92524	88.3%	1.77893
Spring 2020 – DPC	64	64	100%	3.7554	86.1%	1.52610
Spring 2021 – DPC	72	119	60.5%	3.83258	86.86%	1.71737

Accelerated BSN – Next Steps

1. **Attend a Nursing Information Session.** nursingandhealth.asu.edu/admissions/information-sessions
2. **Review transfer credits.** asu.edu/transfercredit
If you are transferring credits to ASU from another college or university, determine course equivalencies from other regionally accredited institutions using ASU's Transfer Guide. If a course(s) is not listed in the Transfer Guide, submit the course(s) for evaluation to have your course(s) officially evaluated for equivalency at ASU. The evaluation may be completed prior to admission.
3. **Contact us with questions.**
 - **Prospective students (not yet admitted to ASU):** Contact our recruitment office at (602) 496-0937 or asu.bsn@asu.edu.
 - **Admitted or current ASU students:** Contact our advising office at (602) 496-0888, option #4 or EdsonCollege.Advising@asu.edu.
4. **Apply for admission.** admission.asu.edu/apply
If you are ready to join ASU and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation, your first step is to apply for admission.
5. **Review the Advancement Guide and submit the Accelerated BSN Advancement Application.** nursingandhealth.asu.edu/student-life/current-students/clinical-nursing-advancement-application
Students preparing to submit an advancement application for an upcoming deadline must review the advancement guide. Updated advancement guides will be posted approximately 1-2 months prior to each application deadline.

Accelerated BSN – Check Sheet

PREREQUISITE COURSE REQUIREMENTS				UPPER DIVISION CLINICAL NURSING PROGRAM	
COURSE TITLE	UNITS	GRADE	SEM	COURSE TITLE	UNITS
BIO 201 Human Anatomy & Physiology I/Lab (SG)				Spring	
BIO 202 Human Anatomy & Physiology II/Lab (SG)				NUR 311 Pharmacology in Nursing	3
CHM 101 Introduction to Chemistry/Lab (SQ)				NUR 330 Professional Nurse Attributes (HU)	3
MIC 205 and MIC 206 Microbiology w/ Lab (SG)				NUR 356 Nursing Concepts: Fundamentals and Adult Health	5
CDE 232 Human Development (SB)				NUR 366 Nursing Practice: Adults and Elders	6
HCR 220 Intro to Nursing and Healthcare Systems (H)				Summer	
HCR 240 Human Pathophysiology				NUR 315 Nursing Research and Application to Practice (L)	3
NTR 241 Human Nutrition				NUR 317 Nursing Concepts for Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	2
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (SB)				NUR 367 Nursing Practice: Psychiatric Mental Health	2
Statistics (CS)				NUR 384 Gerontological Nursing	1
UNIVERSITY GENERAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS				NUR 415 Nursing Concepts for Childbearing Family	2
First Year Composition	Met			NUR 417 Nursing Concepts for Pediatric Clients	2
Natural Sciences (SG) and (SQ)	Met			NUR 475 Nursing Practice: Care of the Childbearing Family	2
Social and Behavioral Science (SB)	Met			NUR 477 Nursing Practice: Pediatric Clients	2
Computer, Statistics, Quantitative (CS)	Met			Fall	
Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)	Met			NUR 416 Nursing Concepts: Community/Public Health	3
Upper Division Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)	Met	NUR 315		NUR 418 Nursing Concepts: Complex Care	3
Upper Division (HU) or (SB)	Met	NUR 330		NUR 419 Leading and Managing Nursing in Organizational Systems	2
Humanities, Fine Arts, Design (HU)	Met			NUR 431 Professional Nurse Attributes Innovative Professional (L)	3
HU or SB	Met			NUR 476 Nursing Practice: Community and Public Health	2
Mathematics (MA)	3			NUR 478 Nursing Practice: Complex Care	2
AWARENESS AREA REQUIREMENTS				NUR 479 Nursing Practice: Clinical Immersion	2
Cultural Diversity in the US (C)	Met			Complete Online Advancement Workshop six (6) months prior to the application deadline to review academic and non-academic requirements. Transfer Coursework should be verified and submitted through ASU's Transfer Credit Guide: https://transfer.asu.edu/credits	
Global Awareness (G)	Met				
Historical Awareness (H)	Met				

MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice)

1. What is the Masters of Science in Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) Program?

The MS in Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) program is a full-time, 20 month, graduate-level clinical nursing program designed to prepare students to enter the nursing profession. Offered at the Downtown Phoenix campus, this MS Nursing pathway bridges students who have earned a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university in a discipline other than nursing to a Master's of Science in Nursing. Graduates are eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN.

2. What is the difference between the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and the Master of Science in Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice)?

Both programs prepare graduates to sit for the NCLEX-RN and enter the nursing profession. The BSN degree is an accelerated undergraduate program that allows students to complete a bachelor's degree as they prepare to become registered nurses. The Master of Science Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) is a program designed for individuals who have already earned a bachelor's degree in a different field and are seeking to pursue RN licensure and a graduate degree concurrently.

3. Does this program confer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)?

No, the nursing pathway is, from start to finish, a master's degree program.

4. What degree will I earn?

Diploma: Master of Science in Nursing

Transcript: Master of Science in Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice)

5. How will selection work for this program?

Application review will differ from the process used for ASU's Traditional Prelicensure BSN and Accelerated BSN. Selection will be based on a review of all application materials (short answer, goal statement, resume, letters of recommendation, resume and transcripts). Applicants will not be ranked by their GPA. Priority consideration will first be given to current employees at our clinical partner agencies, and second to Edson College baccalaureate health alumni.

6. Are there additional requirements I need to meet if selected for admission?

Clinical nursing students must meet specific Health and Safety Requirements.

7. How many seats are available?

We hope to enroll approximately 50 students each fall.

8. Is there an interview or test for acceptance into the program?

An interview may be included as part of the admission process.

9. Which prerequisites can be in progress when a student applies?

Prerequisites can be in progress at the time of application. To be considered for admission, applicants must meet the application review criteria details in the [MS Nursing \(Entry to Nursing Practice\) Application Guide](#) for the cohort they wish to join.

Preference may be given to applicants who have completed all prerequisites. All in-progress coursework must be complete prior to starting the program. The expected deadline for completion of all in progress coursework, if any, is July 1. Students may contact Edson College to request an exception to include a summer course ending after July 1.

10. How do I apply?

Refer to the [MS Nursing \(Entry to Nursing Practice\) Application Guide](#) for full details.

Complete ASU's application for graduate admission and select the MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) program on the application. admission.asu.edu/graduate/apply

You will also need to submit the following supplemental materials: application fee, transcripts, two letters of recommendation, letter of intent/goal statement, professional resume and proof of English proficiency (for international applicants).

11. What are the important application dates if I wish to apply?

The graduate application opens annually on September 1 for admission to the following fall semester (i.e. the application for fall 2021 will open on September 1, 2020). Priority deadlines for future cycle will be determined by September 1 and shared in the [MS Nursing \(Entry to Nursing Practice\) Application Guide](#) each application cycle.

In order to meet the priority deadline, the application needs to be submitted and complete. For an application to be marked complete, ASU needs to have received the application fee, transcripts, two letters of recommendation, letter of intent/goal statement, professional resume and proof of English proficiency (for international applicants).

12. Who can write my letters of recommendation?

You may wish to ask a current or former employer, current or former professor or faculty member, or anyone who knows you professionally. Applications with all other supplemental materials received will be reviewed once two recommenders have completed their online recommendation form. Applicants may enter three to five names and email addresses for recommenders.

13. Is there any exception to the 3.0 undergraduate or junior/senior GPA requirement?

Applicants can also provide a transcript from a graduate degree program with evidence of academic success and a GPA above 3.0. The applicant must provide strong evidence of recent academic success.

14. I am finishing my bachelor's degree in June or August; can I apply this year to enter the program following my graduation?

Yes. Students must have a conferred bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university on file with ASU by June 1 to start the program in August. For students completing an undergraduate degree at ASU, it is preferred that degrees are conferred in the spring semester (May) but students completing their degree in summer (August) at ASU will be considered.

15. Can students work during this program?

This program is an intensive, five semester program with in-person courses, preparation, homework, assessments and clinicals. Students may be able to work a part-time position with an extremely flexible schedule, but we recommend waiting until after the first semester is completed before adding in part-time work.

16. When are classes and clinical experiences scheduled?

Students should expect to be in-class at least four evenings or days per week. **Clinical experiences will vary and include evenings and weekends, including overnight experiences.** The scheduled time for your clinical experience will depend upon the availability of the clinical site.

Students must be adaptable and flexible. If a student needs commitment of a certain timeframe (mornings, afternoons, evenings, weekends, etc.), the ASU prelicensure nursing programs would not be a good fit.

MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) – Admission Requirements

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in any field from a regionally accredited institution. Applicants with a Bachelor of Science in nursing are not eligible and should apply to one of the other graduate nursing programs in the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.00 cumulative GPA (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of a student's first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum of a 3.00 cumulative GPA (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

Required Materials

- graduate admission application
- application fee
- prerequisite review form
- official transcripts
- two letters of recommendation
- goal statement
- professional resume
- proof of English proficiency (if required by Admission Services)

Prerequisite Courses

In order to be eligible for the program, applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA in the prerequisite courses. Priority will be given to applicants who have earned a minimum grade of "B" in each prerequisite course.

The prerequisite courses are listed below as ASU courses. For courses taken outside of ASU, equivalency will need to be determined in the Transfer Guide.

- CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry*
- BIO 201 Human Anatomy & Physiology I*
- BIO 202 Human Anatomy & Physiology II*
- MIC 205 Microbiology and MIC 206 Microbiology Laboratory*
- Statistics**
- CDE 232 Human Development
- NTR 241 Human Nutrition
- HCR 240 Human Pathophysiology*

Course Guidelines and Limitations

- *Lab science courses (CHM 101, BIO 201, BIO 202 and MIC 205 & 206) and HCR 240 must be completed within ten (10) years of the semester in which the clinical nursing program will begin. Applicants with expired courses should contact the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation to discuss options.
- **A statistics course completed at ASU can be used if the course title contains "statistics" and has a CS designation in the ASU course catalog. An undergraduate-level statistics course completed at another regionally accredited institution may be used if the course title contains "statistics" and the CS designation is awarded in the Transfer Guide. A graduate-level statistics course completed at ASU or a regionally accredited institution can be used if the course title contains "statistics." Statistics courses completed at another institution must be equivalent to a minimum of 2.67 semester hours at ASU.
- Undergraduate coursework completed at another institution must be evaluated through the Transfer Guide before applying. To determine how credits from other institutions equate to the ASU prerequisite courses, use ASU's Transfer Guide: asu.edu/transfercredit.
- Plus (+) and minus (-) grades will not be used in the prerequisite GPA calculation (e.g. a "B+" grade becomes a "B," an "A-" grade becomes an "A," etc.). Grades earned at ASU and at other colleges are given the same weight.
- Courses with a grade of "C" or better may not be repeated to improve the prerequisite GPA. Consult with an Edson College student services team member for replacement course options, if available.

Selection

Selection will be based on a review of all application materials (short answer, goal statement, resume, letters of recommendation, resume and transcripts). Applicants will not be ranked by their GPA. Priority consideration will first be given to current employees at our clinical partner agencies, and second to Edson College baccalaureate health alumni.

Timeline and Deadlines

Program begins (Semester/Month)	Fall (August)
Application opens	September 1
Priority deadline	TBD each cycle
Notification of admission	TBD each cycle
Bachelor's degree posted (official transcripts at ASU)	June 1
Approx. deadline to complete 8 prerequisites/deficiency coursework	July 1

Refer to the [MS Nursing \(Entry to Nursing Practice\) Application Guide](#) for full details on the cohort you wish to join.

MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) – Next Steps

- Attend a Nursing Information Session.** nursingandhealth.asu.edu/admissions/information-sessions
- Review prerequisite courses.** asu.edu/transferecredit
If you are using undergraduate courses from another college or university to meet the prerequisites, determine course equivalencies from other regionally accredited institutions using ASU's Transfer Guide. If a course(s) is not listed in the Transfer Guide, submit the course(s) for evaluation to have your course(s) officially evaluated for equivalency at ASU. If your course is not deemed equivalent, please contact an Edson College student services team member for assistance.
- Contact us with questions.**
 - Prospective students (not yet admitted to ASU):** Contact our recruitment office at (602) 496-0937 or mstrategy@asu.edu.
 - Admitted or current ASU students:** Contact our advising office at (602) 496-0888, option #4 or EdsonCollege.Advising@asu.edu.
- Apply for admission.** admission.asu.edu/graduate/apply
If you are ready to join ASU and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation, your first step is to apply for admission. The application for fall entry opens the year prior on September 1.

MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) – Sample Program of Study

Fall

NUR 514	Nursing Theory: Nursing Fundamentals	5 credits
NUR 518	Nursing Practice: Adults	4 credits
NUR 520	Patient Safety & Health Care Quality Principles	3 credits
NUR 591	Theoretical Foundations for Nursing	3 credits
	Total Credits	15 credits

Spring

NUR 533	Nursing Concepts: Childbearing Family	2 credits
NUR 524	Nursing Practice: Childbearing Family	2 credits
NUR 417	Nursing Concepts: Pediatrics	2 credits
NUR 517	Nursing Practice: Pediatrics	2 credits
NUR 501	Individual and Innovation Leadership in Health Care	3 credits
DNP 602	Evaluating Research for Practice	3 credits
	Total Credits	14 credits

Summer

NUR 418	Nursing Concepts: Complex Care	3 credits
NUR 478	Nursing Practice: Complex Care	2 credits
NUR 521	Health Care Evidence, Informatics and Analysis	3 credits
NUR 523	Interprofessional Collaboration for Improving Patient Safety And Health Care Quality Outcomes	3 credits
NUR 591	Advanced Pharmacology	3 credits
	Total Credits	14 credits

Fall

NUR 502	Advanced Health Assessment and Health Promotion	2 credits
NUR 509	Clinical Prevention and Population Health Practicum	2 credits
NUR 515	Nursing Concepts for Psychiatric Mental Health	2 credits
NUR 516	Nursing Practice: Psychiatric Mental Health	2 credits
DNP 604	Advanced Human Pathophysiology Across the Lifespan	4 credits
	Total Credits	12 credits

Spring

NUR 519	Role-Focused Practicum: Care Coordination	3 credits
NUR 542	Readiness to Practice	3 credits
NUR 593	Applied Project	3 credits
	Total Credits	9 credits

Total credits: 64

Health and Safety Requirements – Clinical Nursing Programs

If selected for advancement/admission to the Traditional Prelicensure BSN, the Accelerated BSN, or the Masters of Science in Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) program, students must provide documentation that they meet the following Health and Safety Requirements. Students are required to keep these requirements current throughout the advancement process and while enrolled in the clinical nursing program. Students must begin collecting the necessary documentation as early as possible as some items may take **up to 6 months** to complete.

These requirements are subject to change to ensure compliance with our clinical partners.

Required Titers	Vaccinations	Other Requirements
Measles/Rubeola (MMR) (lab report required) (if negative, nonreactive, or equivocal, proof of immunization series required - See details below)	Hepatitis B (Vaccination series <u>or</u> positive titer)	Arizona Level One Fingerprint Clearance Card (unrestricted and unexpired)
Mumps (MMR) (lab report required) (if negative, nonreactive, or equivocal, proof of immunization series required - See details in below)	Influenza (Flu) Vaccination Influenza vaccine administered within the current flu season (vaccine must have been given after August 1, 2021)	CPR Basic Life Support (BLS) for the Healthcare Professional from American Heart Association (current within last 2 years)
Rubella (MMR) (lab report required) (if negative, nonreactive, or equivocal, proof of immunization series required - See details below)	Tdap or Dtap Vaccination Must contain Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (current within last 10 years)	Tuberculin Blood Test 1. Negative IGRA blood test (lab report required). Note: A skin test will <u>not</u> be accepted. or 2. If positive results, Annual ASU TB Screening Questionnaire signed by a licensed healthcare provider. (current within last 12 months)
Varicella (Chicken Pox) (lab report required) (if negative, nonreactive, or equivocal, proof of immunization series required - See details below)	COVID-19 Vaccination (vaccination record) Students should complete the full series (1-2 doses depending on manufacturer) of an authorized COVID-19 vaccine.	

Renewal:

If CPR, Tdap, Fingerprint Clearance Card, or TB renewal date falls within January 1 - April 30, students must renew prior to December 20th.

If CPR, Tdap, Fingerprint Clearance Card, or TB renewal date falls within May 1 - July 31, students must renew prior to April 20th.

If CPR, Tdap, Fingerprint Clearance Card, or TB renewal date falls within August 1 - December 31, students must renew prior to July 20th.

Additional Screening Items

Students selected for advancement/admission into a clinical nursing program must also complete the following items:

- Proof of Health Insurance Coverage
- Statement of Health Clearance
- Drug and Alcohol Screening
- Background Check

More information will be provided if selected for advancement/admission. Students may also speak with an Edson College student services team member if there are questions or concerns with completing any of the above items.

Program Fees – Clinical Nursing Programs

Traditional Prelicensure Clinical Nursing Program

Students are assessed a \$385 program fee per semester/term of the traditional program in addition to ASU undergraduate tuition and fees. The program fee is assessed in spring, summer and fall terms. Fees are subject to change.

Accelerated BSN

- Postbaccalaureate students are assessed a \$5,500 program fee per semester/term of the Accelerated BSN in addition to ASU undergraduate tuition and fees. The \$5,500 program fee is assessed in spring, summer and fall terms. Fees are subject to change.
- First-bachelor's degree seeking students are assessed a \$385 program fee per semester/term of the Accelerated BSN in addition to ASU undergraduate tuition and fees. The program fee is assessed in spring, summer and fall terms. Fees are subject to change.
- ASU tuition and fees vary between the Downtown Phoenix campus and ASU@Lake Havasu location. Please refer to the tuition and fee calculator for more details.

Master of Science in Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice)

Students are assessed a \$2,500 program fee per semester/term for the MS Nursing (Entry to Nursing Practice) program in addition to ASU graduate tuition and fees. The \$2,500 program fee is assessed in spring, summer and fall terms. Fees are subject to change.

Tuition and fee calculator: students.asu.edu/tuition

Concurrent Enrollment Program (CEP)

Associate Degree in Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Nursing

This collaborative and innovative option is designed for qualified nursing students at a regionally accredited community college who are interested in earning their Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree while simultaneously pursuing their associate's degree in nursing (ADN). Selected students will enroll in their community college nursing courses and ASU's BSN courses concurrently. BSN courses taken at ASU will be delivered in an online format – except for CEP students at Eastern Arizona College who will take their ASU coursework in a hybrid format at EAC's Thatcher campus. This program enables students to complete the BSN in approximately one to two semesters after graduating with the ADN.

1. What community colleges does ASU partner with for the CEP?

Students from any regionally accredited community college associate nursing program can join the ASU CEP. Unfortunately, we are unable to admit students who reside in TN, RI, and WA.

2. When do I start ASU CEP classes and how is the program structured?

Eligible students can enroll in ASU courses prior to beginning the first semester/block of their associate degree nursing program and can graduate with their BSN at the same time as their ADN. A midpoint start is also available for current ADN students at a regionally accredited community college.

During the fall and spring terms, CEP students enroll in one ASU nursing course while also working on their associate degree program at their community college. In the summer, students enroll in one or two ASU courses while on break from their associate degree program.

3. Can a student begin the CEP if they are already enrolled in an ADN program?

Yes. After the first semester of any regionally accredited ADN program, a student can begin the program as a midpoint CEP student.

4. How do I apply to the CEP?

The process varies by community college, but typically follows this process:

- Student meets with community college advisor to discuss the associate degree in nursing program
- Student applies to the nursing program at their community college.
 - If available on the application, student checks the box indicating interest in the ASU CEP.
- If selected for the community college nursing program:
 - **Maricopa County Community College District (Phoenix-metro, AZ) and Pima Community College (Tucson, AZ):** Community college will send student's information to Edson College. Edson College will contact interested students with their next steps to confirm eligibility and apply.
 - **All other Arizona students:**
 - If an ASU CEP checkbox was available on your community college nursing application, community college will send student's information to Edson College. Edson College will contact interested students with their next steps to confirm eligibility and apply.
 - If an ASU CEP checkbox was not available, student should contact Edson College to confirm eligibility and next steps.
 - **Non-Arizona students:** Student should contact Edson College directly to confirm CEP eligibility and next steps.

2. What are the eligibility requirements (prerequisites and GPA)?

Eligibility requirements vary by community college. Email us with your unofficial transcripts at asu.cep@asu.edu to determine eligibility and next steps.

3. What is the deadline to apply?

The deadline to apply to the community college nursing program varies. For most colleges, there are two application cycles each year. Speak with a community college advisor about nursing application deadlines.

4. How many credits transfer and how many ASU CEP classes will I take?

The BSN degree is 120 credits. Students can transfer up to 75 credits from their associate degree nursing program. Additional credits may transfer from a four-year, regionally accredited institution.

The ASU CEP is comprised of 10 courses (39 credits). Each student's academic record will be reviewed by an ASU advisor. Depending on a student's unique transfer credits, additional credits may be needed to meet ASU's graduation requirements.

5. What is the cost of the CEP?

The CEP is a cost efficient pathway to earn the BSN. Students pay community college tuition for their community college courses, and ASU tuition for their ASU courses. ASU CEP tuition is \$454 per credit hour regardless of residency status. For information about ASU financial aid and scholarships, visit: students.asu.edu/financial-aid.

A consortium agreement is available for Arizona community college nursing students.

6. Who can I contact for more information?

For information about requirements, deadlines or the application process for the associate degree nursing program, contact your community college advisor.

For specific information on the CEP including eligibility requirements, contact the Edson College recruitment team by phone at (602) 496-0937 or by email at asu.cep@asu.edu.

RN to BSN Online Program

Registered Nurses are eligible to pursue our completely online RN to BSN program. The RN to BSN program builds on the knowledge and skills learned in the associate degree or diploma nursing program. Course assignments enhance the student's written and verbal communication, clinical reasoning, and information technology skills. Faculty are leaders and experts in their practice areas and prepare graduates to be engaged, professional, innovative leaders who use evidence-based practice to facilitate positive change in the work environment and community. Graduates demonstrate holistic population-based perspectives and are solution identifiers, client advocates and effective communicators.

1. When does the program start?

There are five start dates per year – two in the spring, one in the summer, and two in the fall. The RN to BSN program courses are offered fully online, run 7 ½ weeks in length, and include practical experiences, which integrate new knowledge into practice environment.

2. What are the eligibility requirements?

Eligible applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Active RN license in good standing
- A minimum 2.5 transfer GPA
- A grade of C or better in the prerequisite courses (ENG 101, ENG 102 and an approved college math course)

3. How many credits transfer and how many RN to BSN classes will I take?

The BSN degree is 120 credits. Students can transfer and apply up to 75 credits from their associate degree nursing program. Additional credits may transfer from a four-year, regionally accredited institution.

The RN to BSN program is comprised of 10 courses (39 credits). Each student's academic record will be reviewed by an ASU advisor. Depending on a student's unique transfer credits, additional credits may be needed to meet ASU's graduation requirements.

4. How long will this program take to complete?

The program can be completed in as little as 14 months. The length of time to complete the degree will depend on the number of credit hours completed each semester.

5. What do I need to do if I am interested in this program?

Visit bsn.asu.edu to review program details and request more information. You may also call 866-277-6589.