

# Discover Nursing!

## Bachelor of Science with a Major in Nursing Degree Program

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### Admission Policy

#### Admission to Kansas Wesleyan University (KWU)

1. For admission consideration to the University, return the following to the **Office of Admissions**:
  - Application for admission to Kansas Wesleyan University ([www.kwu.edu](http://www.kwu.edu));
  - \$20.00 application fee (for **KWU application only**);
  - Official High School transcript;
  - Official ACT or SAT scores (if fewer than 24 transferable college or University hours);  Official final transcript **from EVERY college or university ever attended.**

Upon declaring Nursing as the major when accepted by the University, students will be assigned a Nursing advisor from the Department of Nursing Education, who will assist in the Nursing program admission process and in enrolling for courses.

#### Admission to the Bachelor of Science Nursing Program (*see detailed information on next page*)

2. For admission consideration to the BS nursing program, the following requirements must be met. (A fee is not required for the Department of Nursing Education application.)
  - Acceptance to Kansas Wesleyan University;
  - Cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.8 or better on a 4.0 scale, including all previous college work required for admission to nursing;
  - Completion of ALL prerequisite courses for the nursing major prior to entry into the nursing program;
  - Completion of an admission application to the Nursing program by **March 15<sup>th</sup>** is required for KWU pre-nursing students and **April 15<sup>th</sup>** is required for transfer students for fall admission of the same year;
  - Completion of an entrance exam called the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) with a composite score of 62 or higher. The scores are to be attached to the Nursing program application.
  - Portfolio to be submitted at interview.

Request the Application for Admission to Nursing Program from the Department of Nursing Education at the address shown above, or access our website at [www.kwu.edu](http://www.kwu.edu). The application packet includes: Functional abilities list, TEAS registration form & Instructions for the Portfolio.



*The baccalaureate degree, major in nursing program at Kansas Wesleyan University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (<http://www.ccnaccreditation.org>).*

The Kansas Wesleyan University baccalaureate nursing program is on conditional approval by the Kansas State Board of Nursing (Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230, Phone: 785-296-4929, Fax: 785-2963929, [ksbn.org](http://ksbn.org)). The program is also supported by the University's accreditation by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (30 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602-2504, [www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org](http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org). Telephone: (800) 621-7440 or (312) 263-0456).

Kansas Wesleyan University does not discriminate on the basis of gender, handicap, age, race, color, religion, sexual orientation/preference, national or ethnic origin, nor veteran status in the recruitment and admission of students, the recruitment and employment of faculty and staff, and the operation of any of its educational programs and activities, as specified by federal laws and regulations.

The Department of Nursing Education offers a Bachelor of Science with a major in nursing degree, which is a four-year program with a major in nursing. The mission of the Department of Nursing Education is to prepare students as professional nurse generalists by incorporating the areas of biopsychosocial, behavioral, and spiritual development into the delivery of nursing education so that students may provide client-centered care, pursue graduate studies and continue lifelong learning.

**Admission to the Bachelor of Science with a major in nursing program for pre-licensed students (those who do not have a Registered Nurse license) is a two-step process:**

**1. Admission to Kansas Wesleyan University (KWU).** Application must be made to the university by contacting the Admissions Office: [www.KWU.edu](http://www.KWU.edu), or call 785- 833-4337, or visit Facebook (Kansas Wesleyan) and follow on Twitter (@goKWU).

**2. Admission to the Bachelor of Science nursing program:**

Admission to the nursing program may be competitive based on the applicant pool. Meeting minimum admission criteria does not guarantee admission to the program. Factors considered for each individual applicant include, but are not limited to, grade point average (GPA) along with potential to complete the program.

**a. Nursing Program Entrance Exam:**

All applicants are required to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), an assessment tool used to evaluate prospective students and their potential for successful program completion. A minimum score of 62% is an indication that the applicant has received the knowledge necessary to begin the nursing program. If an applicant scores below 62% on the TEAS, additional academic courses may be recommended. The TEAS can be taken twice in the 12 months prior to the application deadline. A TEAS review course and other information is available at <https://www.atitest.com/Solutions/preprogram/TEAS.aspx>

**b. Completion of an Admission Application to the Nursing Program:**

Applications are available at [www.kwu.edu](http://www.kwu.edu) or by contacting the Department of Nursing Education (DNE). Applications will be accepted after **January 1<sup>st</sup>** of the admission year. Submission by **March 15<sup>th</sup>** is required for KWU pre-nursing students and **April 15<sup>th</sup>** is required for transfer students for fall admission of the same year. Applicants are notified of application status after determination is made by the Nursing Admission and Progression Committee. Full acceptance into the nursing program is offered when admission requirements have been met, pending space and competitive status. Applicants selected for admission will receive a notification letter and must return the *Letter of Intent* form to the nursing program by the specified date.

**c. Achievement of Admission GPA Requirement:**

Applicants must have a cumulative GPA for college coursework of 2.8 on a 4.0 point scale. Nursing pre-requisites which are eligible for transfer to the KWU nursing program may be included in the calculation of the GPA.

**d. Completion of Prerequisite, Foundational and Wesleyan Culture Courses:**

Applicants are required to complete all prerequisite, Foundational and Wesleyan Culture courses prior to beginning the Nursing major courses. **August 1<sup>st</sup>** is the deadline for submitting proof of course completion. Students will then be notified of their program acceptance status.

**e. For Transfer Students Only — Completion of Liberal Studies Courses and Wesleyan Heritage:** Liberal Studies courses may not be taken concurrently with nursing courses, but may be taken in the summer semesters once provisionally admitted to the nursing program with permission of the Department of Nursing Education. All outstanding Liberal Studies courses and Wesleyan Heritage must be completed before entering the second year of the nursing program.

Nursing support courses which have been taken five years or more prior to entering the nursing major will be evaluated on an individual basis utilizing the TEAS exam results. Based on the TEAS results, students may be required to retake or audit support courses.

#### **f. Non-nursing Course Grades:**

Students intending to enter the nursing program must earn at least a grade of C in all courses (C- is not acceptable). If a student fails to achieve a grade of C or better, the student may repeat no more than two (2) courses, or may not repeat the same course twice, to raise the grade. Students may petition to waive this policy under certain circumstances.

#### **English Not as the First Language and/or International Students**

When English is not considered the applicant's first language, the following minimum Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) Internet-Based Test (iBT) score must be attained. Each area must meet the minimum requirement. **Scores must be submitted with the application to the nursing program.** Writing = 20 Speaking = 20 Reading = 19 Listening = 20

Students not meeting the minimum requirement in any area are not eligible for admission to the nursing program. For information and application for TOEFL contact:

TOEFL Educational Testing Service  
PO Box 6151  
Princeton, New Jersey 08541-6154  
606-771-7760 <http://www.toefl.org>

#### **Drug Screening**

In keeping with the responsibility of the nursing profession for protecting the public from harm, clinical agencies and/or the Department of Nursing Education may ask nursing students to submit to drug screenings. Students will pay all fees for such screenings. Refusal to allow mandatory or requested drug testing will result in immediate program dismissal. Positive results will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the nursing program.

All new students will be required to get a drug screen prior to their junior year. Applicants transferring to KWU for admission to the nursing program in the fall of the same year, will be asked to get a drug screen within two weeks after being provisionally accepted. If drug screen results are positive, the applicant will be withdrawn from the applicant pool for:

1. being unable to practice with skill and safety due to current abuse of drugs or alcohol; and/or
2. exhibiting professional incompetency, defined as a pattern of practice or other behavior which demonstrates a manifest incapacity or incompetence to practice nursing. Kansas Nurse Practice Act section 65-1120-a)-4 and 651120-e)-3.

#### **Background Queries**

Learning in clinical settings is an important aspect of the nursing program at Kansas Wesleyan University. Many health care facilities require information about students engaged in clinical learning opportunities, including, but not limited to: verification of name; address and social security number; personal health information; drug and alcohol testing; criminal background checks; verification of education; listing on any registered sex offender lists; listing on the U.S. Office of Inspector General's Excluded Individual's list; and listing on the U.S. General Services Administration's Excluded Parties List; and/or Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI) background checks and/or Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background checks; and Department on Aging and Disability Services (DOADS).

Students are responsible for obtaining and gathering information required by a health care facility, as well as for any cost of obtaining such information. The information required to permit a student to participate in a clinical setting is determined by the respective health care facility. Any student who does not consent to required disclosure or background checks, or does not meet the clinical settings' eligibility requirements, may not be allowed to enter clinical settings. If a student is unable to fulfill the clinical experiences required by his/her program of study, the student will be unable to graduate.

All new and current Department of Nursing Education students must complete the background and/or criminal history check by the DNE designated date. Students will not be allowed to participate in activities involving a practicum setting until the background and criminal history check is completed. Should the

background check disclose any information not in compliance with the KSBN legal requirements for licensure, the result may be non-acceptance to, or withdrawal from, the KWU Nursing Program.

Be advised that nursing licenses may be denied or disciplined by the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN). Possible grounds for such action may include being convicted of a felony, being convicted of a misdemeanor that involves an illegal drug offense if the KSBN determines that such a person has not been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust. Also considered are patterns of practice and other behaviors exhibiting an apparent incapacity to practice nursing. The KSBN will deny licensure in Kansas to an individual who has been convicted of a felony crime against a person. All criminal history must be revealed to and will be evaluated by the KSBN before licensure is granted or denied. KSBN will require fingerprinting in order to conduct background checks with the Kansas and Federal Bureau of Investigation (KBI & FBI). (Please refer to [www.ksbn.org](http://www.ksbn.org), Statutes 74-1112 and 65-1120, and the Legal Issues Reference Packet located on the KSBN forms web page.)

### **Personal Health Insurance**

Evidence of personal health insurance must be provided by the student to the Nursing Education office prior to starting the nursing program, and will be verified at the beginning of each fall semester per KWU policy.

### **Non-Acceptance**

Qualified applicants not accepted due to space availability may be placed on a waiting list of applicants. The Director of Nursing Education notifies individuals in order of ranking on the waiting list as openings become available.

### **Transfer Credit Policy**

The student's academic file and coursework will be reviewed on an individual basis by the Registrar, and the Nursing Admission and Progression Committee with oversight by the Director of Nursing Education, to determine compatibility with the KWU curriculum and potential for success in the program. The TEAS exam may be used as a benchmark for prerequisite course evaluation. Academic credits do not expire. Once enrolled in the nursing program, students must take all nursing courses at Kansas Wesleyan University. Students may not transfer nursing coursework into the University after entering the nursing program.

### **Timeline to Complete BS Nursing Degree**

Graduates of nursing programs are expected to be current in their field. Therefore, while the BS nursing degree is designed to be completed within four years for pre-licensure students, including the freshman and sophomore years, all nursing courses must be completed within five years of admission to the baccalaureate nursing program.

### **Advisor**

When a student declares themselves to be a pre-nursing student, they will be assigned an advisor in the Department of Nursing Education who will work with them to develop a 4-year degree plan.

### **Laptop Computer Specifications**

The following are the minimum technical requirements to take Internet-based courses from KWU Online:

#### PC Operating System:

- Windows 10 or higher, “full” version, not “RT” or “Mobile”
- 2+ GHz CPU, 4+ Gb RAM, ample Hard Drive Storage Space, and Internet/WiFi connectivity

#### Mac Operating System:

- Mac OS X 10.7 or higher (Lion, Mountain Lion, Mavericks, Yosemite, El Capitan – 10.9.5 “Mavericks” or higher recommended)
- 1.6 GHz or higher “Intel-Based” CPU, at least 4\_ Gb RAM (8+ recommended), ample Hard Drive storage, Ethernet and/or WiFi connectivity

### Software:

- IE 11 or higher, Firefox 38 or higher, or Safari 7 or higher (Firefox highly recommended)
- Adobe Reader, newest version available at (free download): <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>
- Adobe Flash Plugin, newest version available at (free download): <https://get.adobe.com/flashplayer/>
- Java browser plugin, newest version available at (free download): <http://www.java.com/en/>
- Microsoft Office (Office365 available online after registration)

### Internet:

- Students must have regular access to reliable, high-speed, internet access. (DSL, U-Verse, Cable Modem, Fiber link, etc.)
- Satellite-based or cell phone “Hot Spot” based connections are typically unsuitable. (Contact Technology Services for more information if this is your only option.)
- Graphics card and monitor capable of 1024x764 display (or better)
- Stereo sound card, speakers and/or headset. A microphone may be needed for select courses. Check with your instructor.
- Adequate hard drive space for downloading of class related files
- A webcam may be required in some classes. Check with your instructor.

### Other Devices:

Mobile computing devices; SmartPhones, iPads, Tablets, etc. are NOT fully supported with all features of KWU online courses. There may be some features or assignments that CANNOT be done with a mobile device, and will require a “full” Desktop/Laptop computing system. If your mobile device is your primary computing device, make sure you have access to a full computer system if needed. Before classes begin, please check with your instructors for any other special technical requirements they may have.

## Curriculum

### **Bachelor of Science with a Major in Nursing Degree Requirements**

Total of 120 Credit Hours : 60 nursing credit hours and 60 non-nursing credit hours

#### **Non-Nursing Credit Hours (60 Credit Hours):**

Students must take all of the following prerequisite courses (42 credits) and pass them with a grade of C or better. If a student fails to achieve a grade of C or better, the student may repeat no more than two (2) courses, or repeat the same course twice, to raise the grade. Courses marked with an asterisk\* will also meet Liberal Studies requirements.

	Cr Hrs
BIOL 221 Anatomy and Physiology I with lab	3
BIOL 222 Anatomy and Physiology II with lab	3
BIOL 110* General Biology with lab 4	
BIOL 226 Microbiology with lab	4
CHEM 120* Concepts of Chemistry with lab	4
PSYC 101* Introduction to Psychology	3
EDUC 244* Developmental Psychology	3
ENGL 120 English Composition I	3
ENGL 121 English Composition II	3
BSHS 210 Statistics	
Prerequisite: MATH 105, MATH 120, unless ACT score of >21	3
SPES 180* Medical Terminology (online)	3
SPES 175 Principles of Nutrition	3
<b>Additional Courses Required by the University:</b> (Refer to the KWU academic catalog for information.)	
Liberal Studies Choices	9
Wesleyan Experience & Wesleyan Heritage	1-3
Electives	as needed
<b>Nursing Courses:</b>	<b>Cr Hrs</b>
NURS 250 Introduction to Professional Nursing (online)	3
NURS 304 Nursing Interventions & Clinical	6
NURS 308 Adult Health I & Clinical	7
NURS 318 Pharmacology (online)	3
NURS 355 Mental Health Nursing & Clinical	3
NURS 360 Evidence-Based Practice (online)	3
NURS 375 Pathophysiology (blended)	3
NURS 378 Healthy Aging (online)	2
NURS 380 Assessment in Nursing	3
NURS 408 Adult Health II & Clinical	6
NURS 409 Community Health Nursing (online) & Clinical	3
NURS 429 Adult Health III & Clinical	7
NURS 432 Family-Centered Health & Clinical	6
NURS 451 Leadership & Issues in Nursing (online)	2
NURS 479 Leadership Practicum & Capstone	3

**RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE (DEGREE BLUEPRINT)**

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Freshman FALL	CrHrs	Freshman SPRING	CrHrs
ENGL 120 Introductory English Composition (foundational course) (prerequisite)	3	ENGL 121 Intermediate English Composition (foundational) (prerequisite)	3
BIOL 110 General Biology (with on-campus lab) (Natural World Stewardship) (prerequisite)	4	BIOL 222 Anatomy and Physiology II (with on-campus lab) (prerequisite)	3
BIOL 221 Anatomy and Physiology I (with on-campus lab) (prerequisite)	3	PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (Personal Awareness) (prerequisite)	3
INTD 105 Wesleyan Experience (foundational course only for first-time freshmen)	2	BIOL 226 Microbiology (with on-campus lab) (prerequisite)	4
INTD 115 Wesleyan Heritage (foundational course for students new to KWU)	1	Elective: <i>If needed</i> MATH 120 College Algebra or Liberal Studies choice	3
Elective: <i>If needed</i> MATH 102 Intermediate Algebra or Liberal Studies choice	3		
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
Sophomore FALL	CrHrs	Sophomore SPRING	CrHrs
CHEM 120 Concepts in Chemistry (with on-campus lab) (Natural World Stewardship) (prerequisite)	4	SPES 175 Nutrition (prerequisite)	3
EDUC 244 Developmental Psychology (Personal Awareness) (prerequisite)	3	<b>NURS 250 Intro to Professional Nursing</b> (online)	<b>3</b>
Liberal Studies suggested: (Community & World) SPES 120 Personal, Community & Global Health	3	SPES 180 Medical Terminology (online) (Human Expression) (prerequisite)	3
BSHS 210 Statistics (foundational quantitative reasoning) (prerequisite)	3	Liberal Studies suggested: REPH 111 Introduction to Ethics (Community & World)	3
Liberal Studies suggested: SCTH 130 Public Speaking (Human Expression)	3	Elective	3
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
Junior FALL	CrHrs	Junior SPRING	CrHrs
NURS 304 Nursing Interventions (4cr) & Clinical (2cr) 90 clinical hrs	6	NURS 308 Adult Health I (4cr) & Clinical (3cr) <b>1<sup>st</sup> 8 weeks</b> (Chronic) 135 clinical hrs	7
NURS 318 Pharmacology (online)	3	NURS 355 Mental Health Nursing (2cr) <b>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks</b> & Clinical (1cr) 45 clinical hrs	3
NURS 375 Pathophysiology (blended)	3	NURS 360 Evidence-Based Practice (online)	3
NURS 380 Assessment in Nursing with Lab	3	NURS 378 Healthy Aging (online)	2
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
Senior FALL	CrHrs	Senior SPRING	CrHrs
NURS 409 Community Health Nursing (online) (2cr) <b>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks</b> & Clinical (1cr) 45 clinical hrs	3	NURS 429 Adult Health III (5cr) & Clinical (2cr) <b>1<sup>st</sup> 8 weeks</b> (Complex) 90 clinical hrs	7
NURS 408 Adult Health II (4cr) & Clinical (2cr) (Acute) 90 clinical hrs	6	NURS 451 Leadership & Issues in Nursing (online)	2
NURS 432 Family-Centered Health (4cr) & Clinical (2cr) 90 clinical hrs	6	NURS 479 Leadership Practicum (1cr) 45 clinical hrs <b>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 weeks</b> & Capstone (2cr) 90 clinical hrs	3
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>

