

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Mission Statement:

The College of Health Professions is faith based, educating students to be competent and caring healthcare professionals engaged in the healing ministry of Christ through servant leadership

Accreditations:

The Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago, IL 60604
(800) 621-7440

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850
Atlanta, GA 30326
(404) 975-5000

Missouri State Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 656
Jefferson City, MO 65102
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BSN Admission Criteria

1. The student must be admitted to Southwest Baptist University (SBU). Admission to the University does not guarantee admission into the BSN program. A separate application process to the BSN program is required to be considered for admission.
2. Provide copies of:
 - a. Official transcripts of all college or universities other than SBU
3. Students accepted into the BSN program are required to submit the following within the designated time limits (full admission into the program is contingent upon negative drug screen & acceptable background check):
 - a. Background screening
 - b. Drug screening
 - c. Immunization record (Tdap, Varicella, MMR, annual influenza, Hepatitis B series, COVID-19)
 - d. CPR certification
4. "For full acceptance into the BSN program, **all** prerequisite courses must be completed. Students may be conditionally admitted if they are within one semester of completing **prerequisite** courses **and/or can provide proof of enrollment/plan to complete prerequisite courses before the start of the BSN program.**" Based on transcript and ACT, SAT, or CLT score evaluation, MAT 0243 Mathematical Literacy may be required.
5. Prior college credit:
 - a. Minimum of C in all courses required for the BSN program
 - b. Minimum of 2.8 cumulative or program GPA
 - c. If repeating any general education or program required course required for the pre-licensure BSN program, the course must be completed with a grade of C or better before admission to the BSN program.
 - d. Biology, Chemistry, Microbiology, Anatomy & Physiology I, or Anatomy & Physiology II courses may not be repeated more than once each, including withdrawals, to be eligible for the BSN program.
6. Acceptance into the BSN nursing program is based on satisfactory completion of the admission criteria and space availability. When applicants meet minimum qualifications, an admission selection criteria worksheet may be used if qualified applicants exceed space availability. The applicants with the top scores will be offered first choice for the seats in the cohort.
7. Application priority deadline for the fall semester is February 1st.
 - a. Applications received after the priority deadline may be accepted and reviewed at the discretion of the BSN Program Coordinator.
 - b. Applicants with incomplete prerequisites or requirements may be admitted conditionally upon the review and approval of the Admissions, Progression and Retention (APR) Committee.
 - c. Accepted applicants will be required to make a \$200, non-refundable deposit to hold a seat in the cohort.

Students admitted on a conditional acceptance status

1. Full admission is contingent upon fulfilling requirements necessary to meet admission criteria.
2. Upon verification of meeting the specified criteria, the applicant will be notified of their full admission or changes in admission status if they have not met the necessary requirements.

Application Process for the Don and Carrie Babb Department of Nursing BSN Program-Bolivar Campus

DIRECTIONS: *All components of the application must be completed and returned to the BSN department. Priority deadline for consideration of the fall cohort is FEBRUARY 1ST.*

- ☐ **1. Complete the application for Southwest Baptist University (if you are a transfer student, you cannot be accepted into the BSN program until you have been admitted to SBU)**
 - Make sure your transcripts from any college or university other than SBU have been received and processed by the SBU registrar's office.
 - Ensure all financial aid arrangements, FAFSA forms, etc. are up to date.
- ☐ **2. Complete & sign the application for the College of Health Professions** - select Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN-Bolivar campus). Download application [here](#).
- ☐ **3. Submit Application** electronically [here](#).

Additional Program Information- Due AFTER acceptance to program:

- **Drug Testing, Background Screening and Immunization Verification** will be required of all accepted applicants. Accepted applicants will be provided information on procedures and submission timeframes for these items at a later date, but **prior to the fall semester start**. Submission of these items must be provided within the designated timeframe.
 - An acceptable background check & a negative drug screening are required to maintain acceptance in the nursing program.
- **CPR certification** Students must be certified through an organization providing ***American Heart Association (AHA) Basic Life Support (BLS) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)***. Certification and documentation must be maintained throughout the program. The cost for CPR certification is the student's responsibility and is not part of course fees or tuition.

Graduation from the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program does not guarantee licensure as a Registered Nurse.

Southwest Baptist University does not discriminate based on race, color, creed, national origin, age, marital status, or disability.