

EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY

NURSING

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

Admission Policies-*RN to BSN Students*

The baccalaureate nursing program at Emporia State University at the Emporia State University Campus located in Emporia, Kansas is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326, (404) 975-5000, <https://www.acenursing.org/>

The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the baccalaureate nursing program is Continuing Accreditation.

View the public information disclosed by the ACEN regarding this program at <http://www.acenursing.us/accreditedprograms/programSearch.htm>

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Approved by the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN), Landon State Office Building, 900 SW Jackson Street, Topeka, Kansas 66612. Phone: (785) 269-4929

Admission Requirements

- 1. Admission to Emporia State University**
- 2. Completion of ESU Nursing Application Procedure:**
 - Applications for each Fall cohort open December 2
 - Our priority deadline is February 1
 - Applications will be accepted through May 1 as space allows
 - Applications for each Spring cohort open July 1
 - Our priority deadline is September 1
 - Applications will be accepted through December 1 as space allows
- 3. The BSN degree includes 60 credit hours of nursing courses and 60 credit hours of non-nursing courses for a total of 120 hours.**
- 4. Completion of Admission Prerequisite Courses**

Applicants should have completed the 60 pre-requisite credit hours of required non-nursing courses located in the *Curriculum* section of this document to be considered for admission to the nursing program.
- 5. Achievement of at least the Minimum Admission Grade Point Average (GPA)**

The admission grade point average (GPA) is based on the 60 credit hours of required non-nursing courses listed in the Curriculum section of this document. A minimum ESU Nursing admission GPA of 2.5 with at least a C in the 60 credit hours of required non-nursing courses is required. Meeting the minimum GPA does not guarantee admission to the nursing program.
- 6. Applicants must have an unencumbered Kansas, Missouri, or Multi-State RN License.**
- 7. Applicants must reside in Kansas or Kansas City, Mo.**
- 8. A Registered Nurse admitted to the program will receive 30 credit hours of nursing courses based on documentation of a current RN license without restrictions and upon successful completion of NU 352 Role Transition.**

**Emporia State University Nursing
REQUIRED NON-NURSING COURSES
SAMPLE CURRICULUM GUIDE**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing(BSN) degree requires a total of 120 credit hours (60 nursing credits and 60 non-nursing credits).
All non-nursing required courses are pre-requisite courses to be completed prior to entering the nursing program.

REQUIRED NON-NURSING COURSES – 60 Credit Hours		
Course	Hours	Notes
EG 101 Composition I	3	
MA 120 Elementary Statistics	3	
GB 100 Biology	3	
GB 101 Biology Lab	1	
PY 100 Introductory Psychology	3	
SP 100 or 101 Public Speaking or Interpersonal Communications	3	
GB 385 Nutrition	3	
EG 102 Composition II	3	
PY 212 Developmental Psychology Nursing and Other Majors (or PY 210 or PY 211)	3	
CH 120, 123, or 126 One Chemistry Lecture Course	3	
CH 121, 124, or 127 One Chemistry Lab Course	2	
SO 102, 202, or 261 One Sociology Course	3	
GB 330 Anatomy and Physiology I*	3	
GB 331 Anatomy and Physiology I Lab*	1	
GB 340 Anatomy & Physiology II*	3	
GB 341 Anatomy & Physiology II Lab*	1	
PI 301 or 225 Ethics or Intro to Philosophy	3	
ZO 364 Human Pathophysiology	3	
MC 216 Human Health Microbiology	3	
MC 317 Microbiology Lab	1	
CULTURAL AWARENESS/CULTURAL COMPETENCY - 1 course		
AN 210 Intro to Cultural Anthropology	3	
GE 101 World Regional Geography	3	
GE 454 Cultural Geography	3	
ID 301 Issues in Ethnic & Gender Studies	3	
PO 330 International Relations	3	
ELECTIVE COURSE		
Any 3-hour General Education Arts & Humanities course from any discipline other than PI (Philosophy)	3	
Remaining 3-6 credit hours to be completed in any discipline outside of Nursing (NU)	3-6	

Students must earn a C or better in each non-nursing course.

*** = 5-8 Hours of Anatomy & Physiology Class and Lab Class Required**

Application Procedure

Application materials are located on the nursing webpage or may be requested by contacting:

*ESU Nursing
1 Kellogg
Circle –
Campus Box
4043
(620) 341-4440
or*

<https://www.emporia.edu/applied-health-sciences/nursing/about-nursing/nursing-admissions-policies-and-procedures/>

The ESU Nursing application materials are available after **December 2** for fall entry and **July 1** for spring entry. If the applicant has not previously attended ESU, an application form for admission to ESU will be provided upon request. For questions related to special needs or accommodation, please contact the Emporia State University Director of Student Accessibility and Support Services.

The following steps are required to complete the ESU Nursing application procedure:

1. Application to ESU
Students must be admitted to Emporia State University before applying to ESU Nursing. The ESU application, including an application fee payable to the University, must be submitted to the ESU Admissions Office. These fees are non-refundable.
2. Official Transcripts (other than ESU transcripts)
Official transcripts from all colleges and universities previously attended (**other than ESU**) must be received and posted by the ESU Registrar's office **prior to the application deadline. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that all transcripts have been received and are posted by the ESU Registrar's office and are accessible to the admissions committee, prior to the deadline date.**
3. Appointment with RN to BSN Advisor
Schedule an appointment with the Acting Assistant Dean. Contact Dr. Kari Hess at 620-341-4444, or at karihess@emporia.edu to schedule your appointment.
4. Application to ESU Nursing (submitted to the ESU Nursing office)
February 1st is the priority deadline for submitting the ESU Nursing application form and application fee for August entry. **September 1st** is the priority deadline for submitting the ESU Nursing application form and application fee for January entry. Applications are located on the ESU Nursing website <https://www.emporia.edu/applied-health-sciences/nursing/about-nursing/nursing-admissions-policies-and-procedures/>. An application fee of \$25.00 must accompany the completed ESU Nursing application form. Checks should be made payable to ESU Nursing. These fees are non-refundable.
5. Personal Interview
A personal interview may be requested by the ESU Nursing admission committee.
6. All application materials (application form, application fee, and transcripts) become the property of Emporia State University and cannot be returned.

Evaluation

Admission to the nursing program is of a competitive nature based on the applicant pool. Fulfillment of the minimum ESU Nursing admission criteria **does not** guarantee admission.

Each applicant is considered individually without regard to age, race, color, national origin, ethnicity, religion, gender, sex gender identity, gender expression, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, genetic information, status as an individual with a disability, status as a protected veteran, or any other factors which cannot lawfully be considered, to the extent specified by applicable laws.

ESU Nursing reserves the right to refuse admission or progression to an applicant or student who cannot meet, with reasonable accommodations, the functional abilities to practice safely and effectively as defined by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. (1996).

Acceptance

Applicants selected for admission must return the Verification for Admission form to the ESU Nursing office by the specified date. The acceptance packet will include additional information concerning deadlines for submitting documentation of the requirements described in this section.

Health Insurance

Each nursing student is required to have accident and health insurance in effect at all times that the student is participating in ESU Nursing activities. Emporia State University and ESU Nursing do not assume responsibility for any premium, co-payment, or any other costs associated with the insurance coverage. Each student must notify ESU Nursing if, for any reason, a lapse in coverage has occurred.

Professional Liability Insurance

Each nursing student is required to have professional liability insurance.

Health Requirements

Health requirements include a physical examination and immunization reports. These health requirements deadlines will be outlined in the student acceptance packets.

CPR Certification Requirement-Only American Heart Association BLS Accepted

CPR certification is required and must remain current during the entire program.

Background Check and Drug/Alcohol Testing - Follow the instructions provided in the acceptance letter.

Learning in clinical settings is an important aspect of the nursing program at Emporia State 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. Both background testing and drug/alcohol testing are required to be in a practicum setting.

While ESU Nursing may assist students in obtaining and gathering information required by a health care facility, the student is responsible for the 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.

Students with a criminal history and/or arrests for which action is still pending will be evaluated on an individual basis, with no guarantee of admission to the program or a clinical site. Any student who does not consent to required disclosure or background checks, drug/alcohol testing, or does not meet the clinical settings' eligibility requirements, may not be allowed to enter clinical settings. ESU Nursing is not responsible for finding alternative clinical sites. If a student is unable to fulfill the clinical experiences required by his/her program of study, the student may be unable to graduate. ESU Nursing reserves the right to request repeat background and/or criminal history checks as well as drug/alcohol tests at the expense of the student if deemed necessary by the Nursing Assistant Dean.

Time Limit for Completion of Degree Requirements

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree must be completed within 4 years of admission to ESU Nursing.

Re-application

An applicant who is not admitted to ESU Nursing may re-apply for the next admission period by submitting a new application and following the steps in the Application Procedure section of this document. The application fee must be paid for each application.