

# Pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Admissions Process

### **Overview**

The Tanner Health System School of Nursing admits once a year into the BSN program. Students admitted into the program for the Carrollton campus cohort will start BSN classes in the Summer semester whereas students admitted for the Newnan campus will start classes in the Fall semester.

**Admission Cycle:** Opens October 1 and ends on February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

**Competitive Selection:** Starts after February 1<sup>st</sup> with Final Decisions Sent to Official UWG Student Email by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Selection for the BSN program is a competitive process based on a combination of several factors such as GPA. Students may be offered Carrollton or Newnan campus depending on seat availability and their overall ranking.

# **BSN Application Process**

Step 1: Applying for Admission to UWG

### 1. NEW/TRANSFERRING STUDENTS

- a Submit an Undergraduate Application for admission to the University of West Georgia (UWG) no later than **December 15**<sup>th</sup>.
  - i Summer semester if selecting Carrollton Campus Program
  - ii Fall semester if selecting Newnan Campus Program
- b All new/transfer students must meet UWG's Transfer Applicant Admission requirements. In order to access the Pre-licensure BSN application by February 1st, transfer students should be accepted to UWG by Undergraduate Admissions.

### 2. RETURNING UWG STUDENTS

a Apply for READMISSION through UWG Undergraduate Admissions and provide all necessary documents prior to **December 15**<sup>th</sup> to meet the February 1<sup>st</sup> application deadline.

#### 3. CURRENT/CONTINUING S STUDENTS

a Students who are currently enrolled in coursework at UWG should not apply for readmission but should move on to step 2.

Note: It may take 5-7 business days to process student undergraduate admission applications. Students who have incomplete applications after December 15th are not guaranteed a UWG decision in time to meet the Pre-licensure BSN application deadline of February 1st.

Transfer and returning students are HIGHLY encouraged to start the UWG admissions process prior to UWG's winter break in December. New/Transfer students may consult with an advisor in the Tanner Health System School of Nursing once your official transfer evaluation and UWG orientation are complete. Advisors will not conduct an unofficial transcript evaluation. Students cannot get a refund from UWG or THSSON for incorrect applications.

Step 2: Applying for Admission into the Pre-licensure BSN Program

Students who are **NEW/TRANSFERRING** to UWG must be accepted by Undergraduate Admissions to access the "Accepted Student Portal" or "student self-service" account. **CONTINUING** and **RETURNING** UWG students should already have access to the "student self-service" account.

- Visit www.westga.edu, click on the "Sign In" link in the top upper right corner.
- Log in through your OneLogin
- Once you have logged into your account through OneLogin, click the "student self-service."
- Once you have clicked "student self-service," a menu will appear. Click the "My Personal Information" link.
- Under the "My Personal Information" menu, scroll to the bottom and click on the link titled "Answer a Survey."

Please read and answer all of the information/questions provided. Failure to complete each item in the application will result in denial. You will NOT receive an automatic email response confirming your application was received. This application will be a part of your main student record with UWG and is very secure. Once submitted the application will not be available again. Students who are reapplying for another year must email servicedesk@westga.edu and provide Name, Student ID, and request for "Nursingappbsn" survey to be reset. While you are in the "My Personal Information Menu" please make sure all your contact information is up to date.

## **Program Admission Requirements**

Minimum requirements to be considered for admission to the THSSON BSN program include the following:

- a) Must be admitted to UWG through the Office of Undergraduate Admissions or be a currently enrolled student.
- b) Must have a nursing core GPA of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

  (The nursing GPA is calculated using all completed core coursework applicable to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree at UWG. If any of the applicable courses have been repeated, all attempts, including transfer, transient, dual enrollment, etc. are included in this calculation (excluding W's).
- c) By February 1st, applicants must have minimally completed the following core IMPACTS courses.
  - Communicating in Writing courses
    - o ENGL 1101 & 1102
  - Mathematics and Quantitative Skills courses
    - MATH 1111-Coll Algebra, OR 1001-Quant. Skills, OR 1113-PreCalc, OR 1634-Calc
       AND 1401-Statistics (or MATH 2063)
  - Two of the following required STEM courses with lab:
    - BIOL 1107 with Lab Principles of Biology I & 1108 with Lab Principle of Biology II -
    - CHEM 1151 with Lab Survey of Chemistry I & 1152 with Lab Survey of Chemistry II -OR-
    - CHEM 1211 with Lab Principles of Chemistry I & 1212 with lab Principles of Chemistry II -OR-
    - PHYS 1111 with Lab Introductory Physics I & 1112 with Lab Introductory Physics II
  - At least one of the following science courses with lab
    - o BIOL 2251 with Lab Anatomy and Physiology I
    - o BIOL 2252 with Lab Anatomy and Physiology II
    - BIOL 2260 with Lab Foundations of Microbiology
  - At least 12 semester hours of equivalent electives from these areas:
    - o Political Science, World History, and U.S. History
    - o Arts, Humanities, and Institutional Priorities
    - Social Sciences

To view a full list of the BSN core curriculum, see UWG Undergraduate Catalog or go to https://www.westga.edu/assets/nursing/docs/Core Curriculum Guide Nursing.pdf

All 5 lab sciences should be complete before nursing coursework begins.

Any natural science course older than 10 years at time of nursing application deadline will not be accepted by the THSSON for admission into the BSN program.

An applicant's academic record must provide evidence that all 57 semester credit hours of the BSN core will be complete prior to the start of nursing coursework in the summer semester for Carrollton cohort or Fall semester for Newnan cohort.

Currently enrolled UWG students need not submit evidence unless taking transient coursework; transfer students must provide a transcript to UWG admissions showing coursework "In Progress" at another institution or send a copy of the Spring schedule to uwgbsn@westga.edu no later than February 1st.

## **Other Admission Criteria for Competitive Selection**

The THSSON awards admission bonuses for competitive selection to students who complete any of these by February 1:

- a) Have taken a nursing Entrance Exam and scored an aggregate score of 70 or greater taken in the last years.
  - HESI A2 using UWG Test Code: 201715 or transcript uploaded (see link below)
  - TEAS transcript request or upload (see link below)
- b) A current licensed practical nurse (LPN), certified nurse assistant (CNA), patient care technician (PCT), emergency medical technician (EMT), certified medical assistant (CMA) license in the state of Georgia or with a service record as a medic or corpsman in the military. See upload link below
- c) Hold a bachelor's degree in another field.
- d) Have earned 15 or more successful semester credit hours at UWG; additional bonus for applicants who have earned 30 or more successful semester credit hours of BSN core at UWG.
- e) Live in Coweta County and select Newnan Program as their first choice.
- f) Has BSN core Science GPA of 3.5 or higher (all BSN core Science attempts, excluding W's).

Submission of Nursing Entrance Exam &/or Licensure must be done no later than February 1<sup>st</sup>. Click Here for Nursing Test and license's submission ONLY.

\*Please note submission of documents is NOT the nursing application. You must complete the nursing application by February 1st as described in Step 2 of the admissions process.

### **NOTE TO APPLICANTS:**

Any questions or concerns regarding your application should be emailed to <a href="https://www.uwgbsn/@.westga.edu">uwgbsn/@.westga.edu</a> so that we can take the needed time to investigate and possibly resolve your issue before responding. Response times may be up to one week. Please DO NOT call the Tanner Health System School of Nursing office to confirm receipt or inquire about application status.