



School of Nursing FAQs

What nursing programs does Auburn University at Montgomery offer?

- BSN Bachelor of Science in Nursing
 - o Pre-licensure BSN track
 - o Post-licensure RN to BSN track (must hold an unencumbered RN License)
- MSN Master of Science in Nursing
 - o Family Nurse Practitioner track
 - o Health Systems Leader track
 - Nurse Educator track
- DNP Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Post-Bachelor's Certificate Nurse Educator
- Post-Master's Certificate Family Nurse Practitioner

How do I become a pre-nursing major at Auburn University at Montgomery?

• Apply online for general university admission at www.aum.edu/apply.

What semesters can I apply to the Upper-Division Nursing program?

• We offer admission every summer and fall semester.

Once I am admitted to AUM, am I accepted into the Nursing program?

 No, nursing has a separate admission process with a higher academic standard than the general university requirements. Admission is based on GPA, Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) score, and math and science grades. It is extremely important to contact your Pre-Nursing Advisor in Central Advising.

What GPA must I earn to apply to the Nursing Program?

The pre-nursing GPA is calculated solely on prerequisite courses & must be at least a 2.75 (unadjusted and unrounded) to be eligible to apply. In addition, students must have unadjusted, unrounded GPA of 2.75 or higher based **solely** on pre-nursing math and science course work at the time of application. Grades are counted every time a course is taken. Grade adjustments ("grade forgiveness") and Repeat to Replace adjustments are **NOT** considered. A GPA of 2.75 does **NOT** guarantee acceptance.

When do I apply to the Nursing Program?

Students may apply when they:

- Have 22 or fewer remaining hours of pre-nursing course work to complete for Fall admission to upper division OR have 18 or fewer remaining hours of pre-nursing credit to complete for Summer admission
- Hold a minimum 2.75 (unadjusted and unrounded) pre-nursing GPA based solely on our prerequisite courses
- Hold a minimum 2.75 (unadjusted and unrounded) pre-nursing GPA based solely on math and science courses.
- For Fall admission: Have successfully completed (grades of "C" or higher) at least two (2) of the five (5) required lab science courses AND have at least one (1) of the five (5) required lab science courses in progress at the time of application
- For Summer admission: Have successfully completed (grades of "C" or higher) at least three (3) of the five (5) required lab sciences AND have the two (2) remaining required lab science courses in progress at the time of application
- Submit a TEAS score (73 or higher preferred) **OR** a composite ACT score of 27 or higher

All lower division courses must be successfully completed (grades of "C" or above) prior to beginning upper division studies. <u>Transfer students must first achieve university</u> <u>admission before applying to the nursing program.</u> Please allow a <u>minimum</u> of <u>four</u> (4) weeks to complete this process. See the transfer question below.

What if I am attending (or have attended) another college and wish to transfer?

Transfer students should send copies of all transcripts to the academic advisor (address below) with a request for a transcript evaluation *as soon as possible*. Unofficial student copies or web transcripts are acceptable for this evaluation, but official copies must be sent from *each* school you have attended to the Auburn Montgomery Admissions Office (not to the School of Nursing) to achieve university admission.

Be sure to include your physical mailing address when you request an evaluation.

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<u>Please note</u>: A student who has earned two (2) grades below a "C" in Anatomy and Physiology I or in Anatomy and Physiology II is not eligible to declare the pre-nursing major or to apply to the nursing program at AUM.

Anatomy and Physiology I and II credit must be earned within 5 years of upper division entry, or a retake of one of the lecture courses is required. (A&P II is recommended as the retaken course).

How do I register for classes after I am admitted to the university?

Students new to AUM must attend a session of the required university new student orientation to receive information and assistance with registration. Current AUM students who have changed their major to pre-nursing should schedule an appointment through Central Advising to receive information on registration.

What is it like to be in nursing school? How hard is it?

Nursing students must have strong academic preparation and be extremely motivated and self-disciplined. Excellent reading, writing, and algebra skills are essential, as are critical thinking, analytical, and problem-solving skills. Nursing classes require 35-40 hours per week for class and clinicals, most often during the day and 7 days a week. In addition, a great deal of outside study/preparation time will be required. Time management skills are *essential* in this portion of the program.

Where can I find more information about AUM's nursing program?

Please see our website www.aum.edu/nursingandhealth for much more information about our programs!

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