The School of Nursing is located on the Health Sciences (South) Center Campus of Saint Louis University. The facilities of the School of Nursing include three large lecture halls, classrooms, a nursing technologies laboratory, graduate research laboratories, conference rooms, faculty and staff offices, and student and faculty/staff lounges. Found within the School of Nursing building, which was opened in 1978, is the Educational Media Department of the Health Sciences Center Library; resources include audio-visual and microcomputer hardware and software. The School of Nursing is accredited by the National League for Nursing, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, and the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

To achieve the objectives of the undergraduate program, the School of Nursing utilizes hospitals in the University’s Health Sciences Center and many other resources in the Greater Saint Louis area. The latter include the Saint Louis County Health Department, home health agencies, long-term care facilities, neighborhood health centers, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, nursery schools, elementary schools, and programs for exceptional children.

Undergraduate Study

An undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree is offered by the School of Nursing. This program may be completed in one of three ways:

- The Generic Option - Traditional Pathway
- The Accelerated Option
- The R.N. to Masters Option

Graduate Study

Through the Graduate Department of Nursing, the Graduate School of Saint Louis University offers the degrees of Master of Science in Nursing, Master of Science in Nursing (Research), and Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing. The Master of Science in Nursing or Master of Science in Nursing (Research) or Master of Business Administration is offered in cooperation with the School of Business and Administration. The Master of Science in Nursing or Master of Science in Nursing (Research) or Master of Public Health is offered in cooperation with the School of Public Health. A post-master’s Certificate Program also is available.

For more information refer to the Graduate School Catalog.

Continuing Education

The School of Nursing offers a program of Continuing Nursing Education. Courses, institutes, and workshops provide the registered professional nurse with opportunities to meet the challenges of contemporary and future nursing. The focus is on the newer concepts and methods used in nursing education, leadership, clinical practice, and research.

Special Admission Requirements

The School of Nursing requires an ACT composite score of 22 with subscores of 20 or higher; one year of high school courses in biology and chemistry; and a GPA of at least 2.50 for admission. CPR certification and current health forms must be validated before enrolling in nursing courses with a clinical component.

Curricula

Curricular requirements of the baccalaureate degree program are subject to modification related to ongoing curriculum development.

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Nursing (B.S.N.)

General Degree Requirements

English: Advanced Strategies of Rhetoric and Research, Literature .............................................. 6
Fine Arts ........................................................................................................................................ 3
Natural Sciences: Chemistry I and II, Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology, Nutrition ....................... 20
History ........................................................................................................................................... 3
Philosophy ...................................................................................................................................... 6
Introduction to Inferential Statistics ................................................................................................. 3
Theological Studies ............................................................................................................................ 6
Applied Ethics/ Morals .................................................................................................................... 3
Social and Behavioral Science: General Psychology, Introductory Sociology, Life Span Development ... 9
Electives ........................................................................................................................................... 9
Area of Concentration (Nursing) ................................................................................................. 58

Total hours required for graduation (minimum): 126

The School of Nursing requires a 2.50 cumulative GPA. All students must have a minimum of 58 upper division hours.

Generic Baccalaureate Option-Traditional Pathway

The Generic Baccalaureate Option offers a program of four academic years designed for high school graduates, it includes courses in the humanities, natural and behavioral/social sciences, and nursing. This option is open to transfer students. After completion of the Generic Option, the graduate is eligible to apply to take the professional licensure examination; however, the Missouri Nurse Practice Act, Chapter 335.066, states that “Completion of an educational program leading to a degree or diploma in nursing does not guarantee eligibility to write the licensure examination.”

For specific admission criteria, refer to section on admission procedures.

Typical Course of Study
The following must be submitted as part of the application:

1. Original transcripts from all colleges previously attended.
2. Two letters of reference.
3. A letter describing nursing and qualities possessed by the applicant.
4. Letters which attest to the applicant’s academic ability and potential for success in the accelerated option from two (2) Saint Louis University faculty members.
5. A letter describing nursing and qualities possessed by the applicant which relate to professional nursing.
6. An interview with an accelerated option faculty member.

**Accelerated Baccalaureate Option - Junior Entry**

The Accelerated Baccalaureate Option - Junior Entry is designed for current Saint Louis University students who have junior level standing and interest in completing the baccalaureate degree in nursing through the accelerated option. Minimum criteria for admission to the Accelerated Option through intra-university transfer include:

1. Completion of at least 73 semester hours, including all general education courses required for the generic option (except nutrition), prior to enrolling in the accelerated option nursing courses.
2. A cumulative GPA of at least 3.2, with at least a “C” in all required courses.
3. Demonstrated ability to successfully carry and complete a college course load of at least 15 credit hours or more per semester.
4. Letters which attest to the applicant’s academic ability and potential for success in the accelerated option from two (2) Saint Louis University faculty members.
5. A letter describing nursing and qualities possessed by the applicant which relate to professional nursing.
6. An interview with an accelerated option faculty member.

**Length of Program**

The Accelerated Option begins in May with a summer session and extends through two additional semesters. Course requirements total 53 semester hours and include an average of 19-24 clinical laboratory hours per week. After completing the option, the graduate is eligible for licensure by written examination.

**Required Courses - Area of Concentration**

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* Placement based on ACT or SAT score.

**Special Admission Procedures**

The following must be submitted as part of the application:

1. Original transcripts from all colleges previously attended.
2. Two letters of reference.
3. A letter describing nursing and qualities possessed by the applicant which relate to professional nursing. Letters should be sent to: Coordinator - Baccalaureate Admissions Saint Louis University School of Nursing 3525 Caroline Mall St. Louis, Missouri 63104
4. Transcripts are evaluated on an individual basis; however, it is recommended that all sciences be completed within 10 years of enrollment. If prerequisites are needed, submit all course descriptions for approval prior to enrollment to be assured that a particular course will be accepted.

After notification from the School of Nursing, a personal interview will be arranged.

**Special Prerequisites for Admission**

1. Baccalaureate or higher degree.
2. A grade point average of 2.50 on a 4.00 system in previous college work.

**Registered Nurse-to-Master’s Option/ R.N.-M.S.N. Option**

The R.N. Option leads to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree for registered nurse graduates of associate degree or hospital diploma programs. This degree may be pursued on a part-
Special Admission Procedure
Applications must be accompanied by official transcripts from hospital schools (including transcripts from affiliated colleges or universities), community colleges, and other schools of higher education attended.

Special Prerequisites
Missouri licensure, American Heart Association Health Care Provider certification and current health forms must be validated before enrolling in nursing courses with a clinical component.

Transfer Credits
College-level courses completed at other accredited institutions will be accepted for transfer, provided the grade received is “C” (2.0) or above. Exceptions include physical education, personal development, and technical courses.

Saint Louis University School of Nursing acknowledges the value of previous nursing education and participates in the Missouri Articulation Plan. The Plan provides graduates of diploma or associate degree programs with three options for credit in previously completed courses to be applied to the baccalaureate degree: direct transfer, proficiency examinations, or escrow. Students select the option best suited to their educational plan in collaboration with their academic advisor. Thirty-six of the 58 nursing credits will be awarded through articulation after the student has successfully completed a bridge course entitled NR N380, Conceptual Framework for Nursing Practice.

Individuals who do not have transferable credit hours for anatomy, physiology, microbiology, and nutrition may challenge these courses by examinations offered by the National League for Nursing. Additional credits may be earned by taking subject examinations through the College Level Examination Program (CLEP). The university limits credits awarded through examination to 18 semester hours. For specific information contact the Coordinator, Baccalaureate Admissions, School of Nursing.

General Curriculum Requirements
A minimum of 126 credit hours, of which at least 51 must be upper division, is required. The last 30 hours must be taken at Saint Louis University.

Graduate Study
The R.N.-to-Master’s Option provides a means for registered nurse graduates of associate degree or hospital diploma programs to earn both a bachelor’s degree in nursing and a master’s degree in nursing. The option combines undergraduate and graduate education; senior-standing students may allocate six semester hours of 500-level courses toward the baccalaureate degree and six to seven semester hours of additional 500-level courses toward the master’s degree, thus reducing the total number of hours required by the master’s program by 6 credit hours. Application and acceptance into the Graduate School is required for matriculation in the Master’s Program. Students who choose not to progress or who are ineligible for admission to the Graduate School will be awarded the baccalaureate degree upon completion of undergraduate requirements.

For further information, contact the Coordinator, Baccalaureate Admissions.