



Accelerated Option: Bachelor of Science in Nursing

College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Accelerated Nursing Option

Our Accelerated Nursing Option is geared towards students who already hold a baccalaureate degree in another discipline from an accredited school and wish to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. This nursing option prepares students for gratifying careers in professional nursing practice.

It occurs over a fifteen-month calendar year starting each summer session with a new cohort of students. Our Accelerated Nursing Option has a very competitive admissions process and requires all prerequisite courses to be completed prior to the Feb 1st application deadline. This intensive program will make use of adult learning styles and combine online, blended and face-to-face classes.

Degree Requirements

- 68 total required credits
- Seven prerequisite courses prior to application to the program that includes the following:
 - Anatomy and Physiology **I & II, both with a lab** (*these must be less than 10 yrs old*)
 - Microbiology with a lab (*this must be less than 10 years old*)
 - Statistics
 - Growth and Development through the Lifespan (birth through death)
 - Nutrition
 - Social Science elective
- Applicants will be required to make a full-time commitment to their studies while attending this option.

Note: class and clinical assignments make the program highly time-intensive.

Faculty

You will be studying and working among dedicated staff members who work together in maintaining the daily functions of the college in providing support services to students to assist them in the pursuit of their academic goals.

Financial Considerations

Students who are enrolled in this nursing option are encouraged to apply for financial aid because they may be eligible for some funding but it is important to note that students pursuing a 2nd bachelor degree are often limited to the financial aid money available to them due to limits met while completing their first bachelor degree. Most of our students apply for the following:

- Grants
- Scholarships
- Private student loans (which require a co-signer)

Centers of Excellence

Our students are supported to advance their education through hands-on experiences at our Center for Clinical Education and Research (CCER Lab) which is built to showcase patient simulation, which mimics the clinical setting but eliminates any risk to patients. The center aims to improve the safety and quality of care provided by students and practicing clinicians through the use of simulation and advanced technology, which allows deliberate repetitive practice, team and communication exercises and immediate feedback.

Student Support Mechanisms

Our students are afforded continuous academic and leadership support through a number of diversity focused programs for underrepresented, minority or disadvantaged students.

Please Inquire about:

- Academic tutors
- Plan for Success and Remediation Support
- Reading and Writing Program

Clinical Placements

You will benefit immensely from clinical placements in Greater Boston's finest healthcare institutions, such as Brigham and Women's Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Children's Hospital, Massachusetts General Hospital, McLean Hospital, Boston Medical Center, Cambridge Health alliance, and the VA Medical Centers, among many others.

Tuition and Fees

The estimated cost to attend UMass Boston's Accelerated Nursing Option based on our upcoming 2010-2011 academic year is approximately \$35,000 for a Massachusetts resident. *Tuition costs are subject to change*

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