Traditional Nursing Program
Office of Undergraduate Admissions

UMass Boston's Robert and Donna Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences (MCNHS) is focused on health equity, social justice, and population-based health, educating health professionals to serve communities as diverse as our students. UMass Boston’s Traditional Nursing program is a pre-licensure BSN program that prepares students to become Registered Nurses.

**Deadlines***

Spring Start (January) – November 1st
Fall Start (September) – March 1st

*Applications must be submitted by published deadline. Application materials must be received within two weeks of published deadline. Decisions are released one month after the application deadline.

**Application Requirements**

- Online application (CommonApp or UMass Boston App) – visit umb.edu/transfernow
- $60 Application Fee
- Official College Transcripts (from all previous colleges attended)
  - International transcripts must be evaluated by third-party evaluation service
- 1 Letter of Recommendation (professional or academic)
- 500-word Essay
  - Prompt: UMass Boston's Manning College of Nursing and Health Sciences (MCNHS) is committed to advance efforts towards promoting health equity, social justice, and population-based health in our community and beyond by educating health professionals to serve communities as diverse as our students. Why are you interested in studying nursing at UMass Boston, an institution committed to advancing health equity?
- Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) scores are optional
  - If provided, exam results will be considered as part of application review process
  - If submitting TEAS scores, we recommend a 75 or higher in each section

**Admissions Criteria**

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (includes all college-level institutions attended)
- Average admitted student has cumulative GPA above a 3.5
- Prerequisite classes in the A and B range
- Required prerequisite courses (see prerequisite information on back of page)
- Admission to the nursing program is highly competitive and seats are limited. Meeting the average admitted student GPA does not guarantee admissions. Students are selected for the nursing program based on overall GPA, performance in the Nursing Prerequisite Courses, as well as on supplemental documents such as essay and letters of recommendation.

**The Program**

The Traditional Nursing program is a full-time daytime program that requires students to come to campus for their classes. The program is a minimum of 2.5 years, and time to degree completion will depends on a student’s transfer credit. Students will complete five clinical placements as part of the traditional nursing program. Students will have opportunities to complete their clinical placements in Greater Boston’s healthcare institutions, such as Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Children’s Hospital, Massachusetts General Hospital, Good Samaritan-Brockton, and the VA Medical Centers, among many others.
Prerequisites Courses

The following prerequisite courses must be completed prior to beginning the program (courses may be in progress when applying). Students who do not have all of the prerequisites complete are welcome to apply, but preference will be given to those with the required prerequisites.

Required:

- English 101 – 3 credits (C or higher)
- English 102 – 3 credits (C or higher)
- Anatomy & Physiology I – 4 credits (C+ or higher, lab included, completed in last 10 years)
- Anatomy & Physiology II – 4 credits (C+ or higher, lab included, completed in last 10 years)
- Microbiology – 4 credits (C+ or higher, lab included, completed in last 10 years)
- Chemistry – 4 credits (C+ or higher, lab included, completed in last 10 years)
- Statistics – 3 credits (C or higher)

Recommended but not required:

- Psychology or Sociology – 3 credits (C or higher)
- Human Growth and Development – 3 credits (C+ or higher)
- Nutrition – 3 credits (C+ or higher)

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