

# Accelerated BSN for 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Students

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Who qualifies for this program?

To qualify for the ABSN program, you must be seeking a second bachelor's degree. You must have a 4-year bachelor's degree obtained in the United States.

### What are the admission requirements?

- **Students who have a Liberty University GPA of 3.25 or greater and meet the following criteria are guaranteed tentative acceptance through the nursing academic application.**
  - Minimum cumulative 3.25 GPA (all transfer college/university course work including dual enrollment in high school) **and Liberty University cumulative GPA of a minimum 3.25.**
- 55 transferable credits to the Nursing Degree Completion Plan
- Must have prerequisites completed by the end of the semester prior to starting the program. The prerequisites are:

BIOL 213/214 & 215/216 - Anatomy & Physiology I & II

CHEM 107 - General/Organic Chemistry

NURS 115 – Pre-licensure Pathophysiology

BIOL 203 - Microbiology

NURS 104 - Introduction to Nursing/Medical Terminology

### Can classes be taken online?

Some general education courses may be available online, work with your academic advisor as to your best options. However, all core NURS classes will be taken in person on campus. We recommend that all sciences be taken in person with a “wet” lab. NURS104 Intro to Nursing and Medical Term may be taken online or in residence. NURS115 Pre-licensure Pathophysiology will be taken in residence.

### How long is the program?

Once the applicant is accepted into the program, the nursing portion will take 19 months. Fifteen students are selected for the Accelerated program. Courses begin in Summer (typically the week following the University's commencement ceremony), and the classes are taught as intensives over an 8-week time frame. Students who are successful with a “C” or better in these classes will enter the junior year in the Fall semester.

Junior year is the traditional 2 semesters. Half of senior classes will be taught as intensives in the summer after junior year. The second half of senior year will be completed fall semester with a December graduation.

### When is the application due?

Applications open the first of December and must be submitted by February 15.