

## Nursing — Traditional pre-licensure program

### At UW-Eau Claire

UW-Eau Claire educates nurses at the baccalaureate, master's and doctorate levels. We offer various options, including our traditional pre-licensure program for students seeking a bachelor of science degree in nursing (BSN). Through natural and social science, humanities and nursing science courses, the concepts of humanity, health, environment and nursing are interwoven in a curriculum that prepares you as a generalist to provide professional nursing in a variety of areas including hospital, nursing home, community/public health, ambulatory and home care positions.

### Why UW-Eau Claire

Our nationally recognized nursing program graduates more than 150 BSN students each year. Nearly 100 percent of our graduates have jobs or are continuing their education within a year of graduation.

### Clinical experience

Nursing students participate in clinical experiences at diverse health care settings in the Chippewa Valley and at sites throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota. Many learn and work in health care facilities nationally or abroad in such places as South Dakota, Texas, El Salvador and Costa Rica.

### Pre-nursing

In the pre-nursing curriculum (one academic year), students complete at least 30 semester credits with courses in general chemistry, biochemistry, and anatomy and physiology.

### Professional curriculum

The professional curriculum includes 60 credits in nursing courses (in three academic years). Students under

faculty supervision gain experience in places such as hospitals, community/public health agencies, ambulatory care facilities, schools, nursing homes and private homes. Students must be enrolled full-time while completing this curriculum.

### Program options

UW-Eau Claire participates in the statewide BSN completion (Collaborative Nursing BSN@Home) program. It is a completion program that enables registered nurses with an associate degree or diploma in nursing to earn a baccalaureate degree. In addition, a satellite program



is available in Marshfield, Wisconsin, in cooperation with Ministry Saint Joseph's Hospital.

### Fully accredited

Our programs are fully accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

*"I like that nursing treats the whole person: physical, mental, and spiritual. Our professors do a good job of addressing all three areas. Clinicals are great because I can get real world experience while I am still in school."*

— Lorin



### Places our grads go:

- Registered Nurse, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- Nurse Anesthetist, Eau Claire Anesthesiologists, Eau Claire, WI
- Clinical Coordinator, Northwest Wisconsin Homecare, Augusta, WI
- Coordinator of Nursing Special Projects, Central Vermont Medical Center, Barre, VT
- HIPAA Project Manager, Colorado Dept. of Health Care Policy & Financing, Westminster, CO

## Majors

- Bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) traditional pre-licensure program (comprehensive major; requires no minor)
- RN-BSN completion program (collaborative nursing BSN@Home program)

## Suggested freshman curriculum

General Chemistry

University writing requirement—depending on placement exam.

For test-out options, see [uwec.edu/Blugoldseminar/testout](http://uwec.edu/Blugoldseminar/testout).

General Psych or Education Psych

Biochemistry

Anatomy and Physiology I

Human Development

General electives

**NOTE:** CNA certification is a prerequisite to NRS 267, a sophomore nursing clinical course. Admitted students should have wireless laptop access.

## note:

### Special admission requirements

Formal application to the BSN traditional pre-licensure program must be made.

Students are encouraged to apply during the semester in which 30 credits will be completed. The deadlines for filing applications to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences are Dec. 1 and May 1. Students must specify whether they are applying to the Eau Claire site or to the Marshfield site. To be considered for admission to the nursing program, students must have:

- Been accepted as a pre-nursing student to the university in good standing.
- Completed at least 30 semester credits, not including courses for nursing assistant certification, with a total grade-point average of at least a 3.0 (includes transfer credits).
- Completed at least three required natural science courses, two of which are laboratory science courses, with a grade-point average of at least 2.5.
- Earned a "C" in all required pre-nursing courses.
- Completed all application materials.
- Submitted a non-refundable application fee.

NOTE: The College of Nursing and Health Sciences may find it necessary to deny admission to a qualified applicant because of enrollment limits in the professional program. Depending on the number of qualified applicants, meeting minimum criteria for admission may not be sufficient to be accepted into the nursing major.

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