

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

BSN Direct Freshman Admission

Direct Freshman Admission allows high school seniors with superior academic achievement to secure acceptance into our competitive BSN pre-licensure program.

BSN Direct Freshman Admission Application Process:

- The Northwest University and the BSN Direct Freshman Admission addendum must be submitted to the Admissions Office on or before November 15th.
- Applicants will be notified of acceptance to Northwest University by November 31st.
- Applicants will be notified of Direct Freshman Admission to the College of Nursing by January 15th.
- Applicants will accept or decline the Direct Freshman Admission offer no later than March 15th. A \$100 deposit is due at time of the applicant's acceptance of Direct Admission.

BSN Direct Freshman Admission Criteria:

- Admission to Northwest University.
- First time full-time freshman.
- High school cumulative GPA of 3.75 on a 4.00 scale or above.
- ACT score of 28 or higher and/or SAT Super Score of 1300 or higher.
- College prep courses including science (biology and chemistry with labs), English (4 years), and math (3 years). Anatomy and Physiology is highly recommended.
- Resume (school activities, community service, leadership positions).
- Supporting essay describing how the student's Christian faith, personal strengths, experiences, and aptitudes will contribute to their success in nursing school and career in nursing.

Criteria for Progression into the College of Nursing Upper Division Major:

- Maintain continuous full-time enrollment in the traditional undergraduate program at Northwest University (12 credit hours or more per semester).
- All pre-nursing core courses and core curriculum requirements must be taken at Northwest University.
- Complete all core curriculum requirements and be eligible for the nursing major within 2 years of initial enrollment.
- Complete the following pre-nursing core courses: Survey of Chemistry II, Anatomy and Physiology I and II, and General Psychology, with a minimum grade of B- (2.7 on a 4.00 scale).
- If the student's cumulative GPA at the end of spring semester freshman year and going forward, falls below a 3.5 or if a grade of less than B- is received in a pre-nursing core course, the student will lose Direct Admission status.
- Complete the College of Nursing on-line application through NursingCAS by January 31st of the student's fourth semester at Northwest University.
- Student conduct issues will be taken into account for progression into upper division nursing coursework.

