

Pre-Admission GUIDELINES FOR
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
 (September 2023 intake)

Program Admission Process

Admission is selective and competitive. Not all applicants who meet the minimum requirements are accepted to the program. When selecting students for the BScN, the Selective Admissions Committee considers the applicant's academic performance plus completion of the CASPer situational judgement assessment tool. More information is available in the FAQ section of the TRU website: <https://tru.ca/nursing/programs/bsn/faq.html>

Application Deadline: January 31 – Late applications will not be accepted.

SELECTIVE ADMISSION PROCESS

Education Ranking Guidelines

Two categories for consideration: High School and Post-Secondary. Applicants will be ranked by GPA. Seat allocation is based upon annual applicant pool. The following is a *GUIDELINE only*.

Post-Secondary applicants are students presenting a minimum of 12 credits of post-secondary coursework and satisfy **the 4 post-secondary admission requirements**. Students must attain a core average of 3.0 for consideration:

- a. Satisfying a minimum of 3.00, students with 12 to 27 credits are ranked according to their overall GPA.
- b. Satisfying a minimum of 3.00, students with 30 credits will be ranked according to their overall GPA. If presenting more than 30 credits, the GPA will be calculated on the last 30 credits of coursework completed.

Current High school applicants are required to complete the **5 secondary school admission requirements generating the GPA for consideration**. Seat allocation is based upon the annual applicant pool.

- a. Students who have graduated high school presenting UPrep/ABE coursework, are placed into this category. If courses are repeated, the highest mark will be used for ranking. A blend of UPrep/ABE AND high school courses may be used.
- b. Students with 9 credits of post-secondary coursework are placed in this category. GPA from these courses will not apply.

HIGH-SCHOOL APPLICANTS

HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANTS: Minimum Education Requirements

Grade 12 (or equivalent) **or** mature student status

English Studies/English First Peoples 12 or pre-2019 ENGL 12 (gov't exam incl.)
or TRU ENGL 0600 **or** ENGL 0620 **or** ESAL 0570 & 0580 **or** equivalent with a minimum of 73%

Any Math 12 course or TRU Math 0650 **or** TRU MATH 0600/0610 **or** equivalent with a minimum 73%.

Anatomy and Physiology 12 or TRU BIOL 0600, **or** equivalent with a minimum 73%

Chemistry 11 or TRU CHEM 0500 **or** equivalent with a minimum 73%

One other Grade 11 or 12 level Science or equivalent; TRU BIOL 0500; CHEM 0600; PHYS 0500 **or** PHYS 0600; **or** SINC 0500 **or** equivalent with a minimum 73%.

How to present a competitive application:

A strong academic history is key and you may need to improve your grades for some of the admission requirements to be considered competitive. Using the table on page 2, enter your **current high school grades** and strategically select the courses you need to upgrade. See the following example:

Current Grade HS Grades	Current %	My Goal GPA	My Goal GPA%	Admission Requirements- high school
B	73	A	95	English Studies 12 or equivalent 73% or higher
C+	67	A	94	Any Math 12 course or equivalent 73% or higher
A	86	A	91	Anatomy and Physiology 12 or equivalent 73% or higher
B	73	A	92	Chemistry 11 or equivalent 73% or higher
C+	67	A	98	Other Science 11 or 12, 73% or higher
B	73	A	94	Average Grades (fluctuates yearly)

GPA will be calculated on a blend of the following courses with the highest grades:

Grade	%	Course	High school or U Prep courses
			English Studies 12 or equivalent 73% or higher
			Any Math 12 course or equivalent 73% or higher
			Anatomy and Physiology 12 or equivalent 73% or higher
			Chemistry 11 or equivalent 73% or higher
			Other Science 11 or 12, 73% or higher
			Average

TRU COURSES ACCEPTED TOWARDS A COMPETITIVE APPLICATION

U Prep Course Options		
Admission Requirements	On-Campus	TRU Online Learning
Anatomy/Physiology 12	BIOL 0600	BIOL 0601
Chemistry 11	CHEM 0500	CHEM 0501
Any Math 12 course: Apprenticeship 12 or Calculus 12 or Comp Science 12 Foundations of Math 12 or Geometry 12 or Pre-Calculus 12 or Statistics 12 or	MATH 0650 or Math 0600/0610 or Math 0630 or Computing 0600 or 0650	None or MATH 0633
English Studies 12	ENGL 0600 or 0620	ENGL 0601
Another Science 11 or 12 course: <i>BC Grade 11 options:</i> Earth Science 11 Environmental Science 11 Life Science 11 Physics 11 Science of Citizens 11 <i>BC Grade 12 options:</i> Chemistry 12 Environmental Science 12 Geology 12 Physics 12 Specialized Science 12	<i>Grade 11 equivalent:</i> none none BIOL 0500 or PHYS 0500 or SINC 0500 or <i>Grade 12 equivalent:</i> CHEM 0600, none none PHYS 0600 none	<i>Grade 11 equivalent:</i> none none BIOL 0501 or PHYS 0501 or none <i>Grade 12 equivalent:</i> none none none PHYS 0601 none

POST-SECONDARY APPLICANTS

POST SECONDARY APPLICANTS: Minimum Education Requirements

Grade 12 (or equivalent) or mature student status

Completion of the following 12 credits:

Biology at a 1000 level or higher with a *C+ minimum*

English at a 1000 level or higher with a *C+ minimum*

Math/Science at a 1000 level or higher with a *C+ minimum*

Social Science 1000 level or higher with a *C+ minimum*

An overall GPA of a 3.0 or higher on the most recent 30 credits

ADVANCED CREDIT COURSES FOR BScN PROGRAM (see below for suggested courses)

***NEW** Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO) Requirements – see page 4

Advanced credit courses will lighten the workload in the Nursing program. However, taking any below-mentioned courses DOES NOT guarantee acceptance into the program.

Advanced credit course	
On-Campus	Online (Open Learning)
ENGL 1100 (English at a 1000 level or higher)	ENGL 1101
HLTH 2300	none
BIOL 1592+1594 (Biology at the 1000 level or higher)	BIOL 1593+1595
BIOL 1692+1694 (Biology at the 1000 level or higher)	BIOL 1693+1695
1000 Level Elective (refer post-secondary course options list+ ILO's)	1000 Level Elective (refer post-secondary course options list+ ILO's)
2000 Level Elective (refer post-secondary course options list + ILO's)	2000 Level Elective (refer post-secondary course options list + ILO's)
PHIL 2310	PHIL 2311

TRU Post-Secondary Course Options

***NEW** Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO) Requirements – see next page.

Admission Requirements	On-Campus	TRU Online Learning
Biology 1000 level or higher	BIOL 1592+ BIOL 1594 (advanced credit) BIOL 1692+ BIOL 1694 (advanced credit) Or Biology (BIOL)-all	BIOL 1593+1595 (advanced credit) BIOL 1693+1695 (advanced credit) Or Biology (BIOL)-all
Math/Science 1000 level or higher	Astronomy (ASTR)-all Agricultural Science (AGSC)- all Archeology (ARCH- Physical)- 1110, 2010 Biology (BIOL)-all Chemistry (CHEM)- all Computing (COMP)- all Environmental Science (ENVS)- all Geography (GEOG- physical) 1000, 2020, 2050, 2700, 2750 Geology (GEOL)- all Mathematics (MATH)- all Natural Resource (NRSC)- all Physics (PHYS)- all Physical Education (PHED)- all Statistics (STAT)- all	none none Biology (BIOL)- all Chemistry (CHEM)-all Computing (COMP)- all Physical Geography (GEOG)- Geog 1221 Geology (GEOL)-all Mathematics (MATH)- all none Physics (PHYS)- all Statistics (STAT)- all
English 1000 level or higher	ENGL 1100 (see advanced credits) or ENGL (all)	ENGL 1101 (see advanced credits) or ENGL (all)

Social Science 1000 level or higher	Anthropology (ANTH) all Archaeology (ARCH-cultural)-all Criminology (CRIM) Economics (ECON)- all Geography (GEOG- regional, cultural, human)- all Organizational Behaviour/International Relations (ORGB/HRMN)- all Political Studies (POLI)- all Psychology (PSYC)- all Sociology (SOCL)- all	none none Economics (ECON)- all Geography (GEOG)- all Political Studies (POLI)- all Psychology (PSYC)- all Sociology (SOCL) all
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COURSES FROM OTHER POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

Transfer applicants to Nursing should present transfer credit for courses completed in the subjects of English, Mathematics, Chemistry, and Biology. Other sciences will be reviewed by Admissions/Nursing for potential consideration. Students interested in apply should consult the [FAQ's](#) on the School of Nursing website for an exhaustive list of course options.

Applicants who have completed transferable coursework at another accredited post-secondary institution should consult the BC Transfer Guide for transferability and equivalency before applying. Go to bctransferguide.ca.

GRADUATION FROM THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE NURSING – REQUIRED

INSTITUTIONAL LEARNING OUTCOMES

Note, once you secure a seat in Nursing, to graduate students will be required to satisfy 8 Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO's) plus a Capstone course (27 credits).

To find out if these requirements apply to you, please refer to DegreeWorks (available through [myTRU](#)) or contact your Program Advisor for more information.

If you are required to satisfy the ILOs, you must have courses that meet the following requirements:

- 1 course for each of the eight Institutional Learning Outcomes
- Of those 8 courses, a minimum of 4 (1 in each theme) must be outside the discipline.
- Of those 8 courses, one must also be designated as high impact.
- You must also complete the Capstone course in the final 30 credits of your study.

Theme	Institutional Learning Outcome	Course	Inside or Outside?	High Impact?
Connection	Communication	ENGL 1100	Outside	
	Teamwork	NURS 1170/1840	Inside	
Engagement	Lifelong Learning	NURS 1840	Inside	
	Social Responsibility	Phil 2310	Outside	
Exploration	Knowledge			
	Critical Thinking			
Local-to-Global	Indigenous Knowledges & Ways	HLTH 2300	Outside	
	Intercultural Awareness	NURS 1730	Inside	
	Capstone	NURS 4210	Inside	

How do I search for an ILO course?

Visit the [course schedule](#) and select a term. On the following screen, click the [Attribute](#) box and select an ILO.

NOTE: Students will require 1 more course from an outside category within the Exploration theme. This can be done by taking a 1000 or 2000 level elective or by taking an upper-level elective while in the program. Careful course selection is key. Please refer to the post-secondary options listed above. DegreeWorks can assist with identifying the coursework to meet these categories (available through [myTRU](#)) or connect with your Program Advisor for more information.