Admission Criteria: HPU Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Student Applicants for Spring 2021 rev: 9/24/20

Requirements	Current HPU Students
Test Scores	Minimum composite score of 70th percentile on the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®). • TEAS must be within 2 years of application deadline • You may take the TEAS test a maximum of 3 times within the 2 years • A 14 day waiting period in between tests is needed. • We accept the highest TEAS score
GPA Requirements	• Have a minimum **all** college GPA of 3.0. • Have an overall nursing prerequisite GPA of 3.0 • Must receive a C or better in prerequisite courses
Prerequisite Courses	• Complete all prerequisite courses* no later than the semester prior to the start of the nursing program. • You must not have more than two (2) outstanding prerequisites at time of application to be considered. A combination of science lecture and science lab is regarded as one (1) outstanding course • You must be currently enrolled in the outstanding prerequisite courses at the time of application.
General Education Courses	• Priority admission will be given to applicants with only one outstanding general education at the start of the Nursing program. • It is **highly** recommended to complete all general education courses before entry into the nursing program. • IF you have more than 4 outstanding general education courses, you will need special approval to start the nursing program and may be asked to defer your entrance. • **Have your transcripts evaluated before you apply**. Students that are accepted to the BSN program may be denied their seat because their courses do not transfer to HPU https://www.hpu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer/freshman-transfer-requirements.html
Transcripts	**Official** transcripts for all college coursework taken **outside of HPU** required for the Nursing program at the time of application. We do not need HPU transcripts. Applicants with unofficial transcripts will be conditionally accepted.
Recommendations	• Two professional letters of reference such as from employers, faculty and other professional contacts. Personal letters of reference from family members or friends are not acceptable. • Letters must be sent directly from the reference to BSNAdmissions@hpu.edu. We are not responsible for letters sent to other email addresses. • The applicant is responsible for making sure the letters of recommendation have been submitted. You will not get confirmation from the Nursing program. Missing letters will result in an incomplete application and will not be reviewed.
Personal Statement	A personal statement (**500 word limit**) that answers the following questions: a) Why do you want to become a nurse? b) What are your educational goals? c) Why did you choose to apply to HPU?
Special Pathways **(HM, LPN, RN)**	• **HM:** Students who are Military Hospital Corpsman (HM), may be eligible for the **HM to BSN pathway**. Please review the requirements here. *If you are eligible, you will also need to obtain a passing grade on Practical Nursing Comprehensive Equivalency Exam. • **LPN:** Students who have an LPN or LVN license may be eligible for the **LPN/LVN to BSN pathway**. Please review the requirements here. *If you are eligible, you will also need to submit a current, unencumbered LPN/LVN license with your application. • **RN:** Students who have an RN license may be eligible for the **RN to BSN pathway**. Please review the requirements here. *If you are eligible, you will also need to submit a current, unencumbered RN license with your application.

HPU Prerequisite Courses	HPU Course Number	Resources
Anatomy & Physiology I	BIOL 2030	
Anatomy & Physiology I Laboratory	BIOL 2031	HPU Academic Catalog
Anatomy & Physiology II	BIOL 2032	
Anatomy & Physiology II Laboratory	BIOL 2033	
Microbiology	BIOL 2040	
Chemistry	CHEM 1000	HPU Course Equivalencies
Statistics	MATH 1123	
Research, Argument & Writing	WRI 1200	

* If a conditionally accepted applicant does not successfully complete the prerequisite coursework prior to the start of the nursing program with a C or better or if an applicant's overall or pre-requisite GPA falls below 3.0, or the applicant fails to submit their official transcripts, then the applicant's admission to the nursing program is forfeited.

**NOTE: MICROBIOLOGY LAB REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN REMOVED. HOWEVER IT IS IMPERATIVE TO KNOW THAT SOME STATES (California, Texas, Others) HAVE IT AS A MANDATORY REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSING* If you plan to license in a state other than Hawai'i it is best to be informed of those state's requirements for licensure and prepare accordingly.

Please work with your Academic Advisor when applying to the BSN Program
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The Accident

Ms. Kaeo was driving down Nalani Street crossing Pueo Street when another car almost hit her causing her to drive into a tree. Ms. Kaeo and her two young children were injured and taken to the hospital.

NURSING: at the hospital the nurse assesses, plans, and implements care to the patients alongside the doctor. Ms. Kaeo broke her hip, requiring surgery and a short hospital stay. Ms. Kaeo's son sustained head injuries from an improper car seat requiring neurological observation. Ms. Kaeo's daughter, Pua, was not injured.

SOCIAL WORK: They discover that Ms. Kaeo is uninsured and lacking in child care while she remains in the hospital. The Social Worker provides trauma counseling and connects Ms. Kaeo with community resources to address her hospital bills and need for child care.

PUBLIC HEALTH: notices that that particular intersection has had over 40 accidents in 10 years. The public health professional analyzes the accident reports, community concerns, street signs, speed limit and discovers several concerns. The intersection has increased traffic due to a new development warranting new street signs for a 4-way stop intersection. Nalani Street also had overgrown trees and vegetation limiting the drivers' sightline of cross traffic at the intersection. Also Ms. Kaeo's 3 year old was in a booster seat instead of the required car seat.

What career is right for you?

Nursing: https://www.hpu.edu/chs/nursing/bsn/index.html

Social Work: https://www.hpu.edu/chs/social-work/bsw.html

Public Health: https://www.hpu.edu/chs/public-health/bs-ph.html

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How to Apply to the HPU BSN Program

Prepare

- Complete general education and prerequisite courses 3.0+ (C or better)
- Complete ATI-TEAS Exam 70%+
- Request 2 letters of recommendation
- Write personal essay
- Request OFFICIAL transcripts

Apply

- TRANSFER APPLICANTS
- Submit HPU application (Transfer students)
- Submit all supporting documents
- Transfer Applicants verify with the Admissions office that your application is complete
- CURRENT HPU PRE-NURSING STUDENTS
- Submit Nursing application (Current HPU pre-nursing students)
- Current HPU Pre-Nursing Students verify with the nursing office that your application is complete

Decisions

- The nursing department receives the list of applicants after the deadline
- Applications processed (incomplete applications will not be processed)
- Nursing Admissions Committee Review
- Decision notification: one month after the deadline