HPU BSN Admission Requirements

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Current Students – Academic Advisors

- Please work with your Academic Advisor if you have any questions with the completion of your pre-requisite courses.
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Admission Requirements

- A minimum pre-requisite GPA of 3.0 (C or better)
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0
- ATI-TEAS score minimum of 70%
- 2 professional letters of recommendation
- Personal statement

Spring 2022 Deadline:
- October 1, 2021 (Priority)

Pre-requisite course requirements

- BIOL 2030 Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIOL 2031 Anatomy & Physiology I Lab
- BIOL 2032 Anatomy & Physiology II
- BIOL 2033 Anatomy & Physiology II Lab
- BIOL 2040 Microbiology
- CHEM 1000 Introduction to Chemistry
- MATH 1123 Statistics
- WRI 1200 Research, Argument, and Writing

Outstanding prerequisites

- Only 2 outstanding prerequisites at the time of application.

- Must be *currently enrolled* in your outstanding prerequisite courses at time of application.

- Applicants with outstanding prerequisites are admitted as a conditional acceptance.

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

- A combination of science lecture and lab is regarded as one outstanding course
  - A stand alone lab is one course
  - Ex: A&P I lecture & lab= 1 and Math 1123= 1   total = 2 courses
  - Ex: A&P I lecture & lab= 1, A&P II lab only= 1 and Math 1123= 1   total = 3 courses

GPA

How to calculate your GPA

Course	Grade	Credit	Quality Points
BIOL 2030	A	3	12
BIOL 2031	B	1	3
BIOL 2032	A-	3	11.1
BIOL 2033	A	1	4
BIOL 2040	B	3	9
CHEM 1000/2050	B+	3	9.9
MATH 1123	A	3	12
WRI 1200	A	3	12
TOTALS		20	73

Divide total quality points by total credits
$73 \div 20 = 3.65$ GPA

NOTE
We look also look at your overall GPA which includes **ALL** college courses

Course Equivalency

- Please check your course equivalency on the website
  - https://www.hpu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer/transfer-of-credits.html
- Writing course must be argumentative research with synthesizing of ideas and sources.
- A writing intensive course is not equivalent, nor is a research paper equivalent.
- *In the UH system = English 200 (UH Hilo= ENG 315)

ATI-TEAS Testing

- Sign up early in case you need to retake the test
- Must have minimum overall score of 70 percentile
- Test score is valid for 2 years
- Only 3 chances to meet the score
- 14 day waiting period between tests
- It is helpful to take the test after most of your prerequisite courses are complete
- https://www.hpu.edu/cas/testing/teas.html

Transcripts

- **Current Students –** We do not need your HPU transcripts
- Must submit transcripts from all other colleges when applying to the Nursing program.
- Applicants with unofficial transcripts will be conditionally accepted until official transcripts have been received.
- If you have previously submitted your final official transcripts to HPU, you do not need to resubmit. If you have submitted an official transcript with courses in progress, you will need to submit an updated transcript.

General Education

- Students with zero or one outstanding general education course will receive priority in the application process.

- It is **HIGHLY** recommended that you complete all your general education courses before you enter the nursing program.

- The nursing program runs 4 semesters and is full-time.

- There is minimal time to take courses along side the nursing courses.

- If you have a college degree from an accredited college, your HPU general education courses may be satisfied, however, you are still required to have the prerequisite courses completed.

Letters of Recommendation

- 2 professional letters of recommendation are required
  - Instructor, Employer, Volunteer Leaders, etc.
  - Personal letters from family members or friends are unacceptable
- Current Students – Your letters can be uploaded to the application or sent to the BSNAdmissions@hpu.edu inbox.
  - Admissions is not responsible for any letters of recommendation sent to another email address.
- Transfer Students – You will provide your reference person's contact information in your application.
  - The system will generate an email to your reference to complete your letter of recommendation.
- All documents must be received by the deadline.

Personal Statement

- Answer the following questions within your statement:
    1) Why do you want to become a nurse?
    2) What are your educational goals?
    3) Why did you choose to apply to HPU?

- 500 word limit

FAQ- Frequently Asked Questions

- What is the average overall GPA?   3.61
- What is the average prerequisite GPA?   3.7
- What is the average TEAS score?   80
- What is the acceptance rate?   42%
- What is the NCLEX pass rate?   88%
- Can I take prerequisite courses when I am in the nursing program?   No
- If I am applying for the Fall term, can I take prerequisite courses during the summer before I enter the program?   No
- Are course retakes factored into the GPA? It is not factored into the prerequisite GPA, we will take the highest grade however, the retakes will be factored into your application score. ALL grades are factored into your overall GPA.
- Can I be a part-time nursing student? No, the nursing program is designed to be a 4 semester full-time program.

Good luck!

Mahalo for your interest in the BSN program.

We hope to see you at HPU!

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