

**WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**School of Nursing - RN to BSN**

**APPLICANT CHECKLIST FOR FALL 2012**

The RN TO BSN Program is for licensed Registered Nurses. This is not a “Generic” BSN Program.

-Questions should be directed to Doug Watson at [dwatson@weber.edu](mailto:dwatson@weber.edu) or (801) 626-6128.

**Application availability:**

- **Fall Semester Start (August) – applications available in mid-January of each year.**
- **Spring Semester Start (January) – applications available late-August of each year.**

**Duration of program:** **2 semesters minimum of 25 credit hours 4000 level BSN courses (revised curriculum to begin August 2012). Part time options are still available.** Please note that for some applicants the amount of time it takes to complete the program may actually be 3 semesters.

**Delivery method:** **Hybrid (5 weeks of class on campus approximately every 3 weeks)**  
**or**  
**Online (Online priority is given to outreach applicants)**

**Approximate number of positions available for each application cycle:**

Fall Semester [August 2012]: WSU/Main Campus (Ogden) “Hybrid” - 60      WSU/Davis Campus (Layton) “Hybrid” -30  
WSU/Online -40

**Please note:** available positions will be filled with 15-20% of the positions going to RN’s that graduated December 2011 or earlier and the remaining 80 to 85% going to current WSU April/August 2012 Associate Degree RN Graduates.

**Application deadlines:** Fall Semester 2012 **Early Deadline:** March 1, 2012; **Final Deadline:** March 10, 2012

**Application Eligibility Requirements (Must be met by the application deadline):**

1.  Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (Regionally Accredited Institutions Only!). Registered Nurses who have five or more years of documented work experience may apply if their Cumulative GPA is 2.5 or higher **AND** their Nursing GPA is 3.0 or higher from all “Nursing” courses.
2.  Graduate of an NLN accredited Diploma or Associate Degree (AS only) Nursing Program. If you complete your associate degree prior to the program start date, then you are eligible to apply. Graduates who are not from an NLN accredited program must take the NLN ACE - II Exams. See an advisor for details.

**If you are a RN with an Associate of Applied Science or from a Non-Regionally Accredited College or University you will be required to fulfill all the WSU General Education and degree requirements for an Associate Degree prior to being considered qualified to apply. If you are missing any of these requirements, all courses must be completed or enrolled in during the semester in which you are applying to be considered qualified.**

3.  Completed Baccalaureate Nursing Application

**PREREQUISITES must be completed one week prior to beginning the RN to BSN program:**

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| Chemistry 1110 (Or Chem 1050)  | 5 cr | *Health Science 1110 and 1111 - BioMed. Core | 8 crs |
| Nutrition 1020   | 3 cr | Pathophysiology                              | 3 cr  |
| Microbiology 1113  | 3 cr | Intro. To Psychology                         | 3 cr  |
| English 1010   | 3 cr | English 2010                                 | 3 cr  |
| WSU Quantitative Literacy Requirement (Math 1030, 1040, 1050, 1080. See advisor) |      |  |       |
| (*) Human Anatomy and Human Physiology are acceptable equivalents                |      | 8 credits                                    |       |

**All admitted applicants must have a current unencumbered Utah Registered Nurse License or be eligible for licensure in Utah. Applicants who are admitted may be allowed to start the program without having passed NCLEX-RN but will be required to pass RN-NCLEX during the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the RN to BSN program in order to progress (see advisor).**

**Selection Process:** A point system is used for facilitating selections. A selection process will be used to rank all qualified applicants. Criteria used in the selection process include Cumulative GPA, Science GPA (A&P, Micro, Chemistry & Patho), years of work experience as an RN and re-applicant status. Former WSU AS Degree (RN) graduates will be given priority over other applicants.

**There is currently a higher demand for positions than are available so please be advised that the application process is competitive.**

Applicants are strongly encouraged to meet with an advisor before applying to verify that all prerequisites, etc are completed. In order for the review to be complete, all transcripts must have been sent to WSU admissions for official review.

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This is the “revised” list of courses that will begin being offered Fall 2012 semester:

**Semester 1**

Nursing 4100 - Complex Patient Centered Care II (3)  
 Nursing 4200 - Scholarship for Evidence-Based Practice (3)  
 Nursing 4300 - Healthcare Policy & Decision Making (3)  
 UD Nursing Elective (Will have choice of courses) (3)  
 Total Hours : 12 cr hrs

**Semester 2**

Nursing 4400 - Population Health: Assessment, Prevention, & Promotion (4)  
 Nursing 4500 - Nursing Management and Leadership (3)  
 Nursing 4600 - Communication, Collaboration and Info. Mgmt. In HealthCare (3)  
 UD Nursing Elective (Will have choice of courses) (3)  
 Total Hours: 13 cr hrs

A total of **40 hours of Upper Division Credit Hours** required:

- 25 of these 40 hours will come from courses taken within the RN to BSN Program (see above 2 semester plan).
- Most former WSU AS Degree Graduates will still need approximately 4 hours of Upper Division Elective Credit hours to reach the 40 hours needed for a BS Degree through Weber State University (25 UD Nursing, 11 Hours from previous AS course work and 4 hours of “Upper Division” elective credit.**
- Transfer Associate Degree (RN) graduates may need anywhere from 3 to 15 additional Upper Division Credit hours in addition to the 25 offered through the WSU RN to BSN program. Additionally transfer students will be required to reach the 30 hour of “Residency Credit” required for a BS Degree (25 U.D. Nursing + 5 additional hours = 30 hrs residency)

Please note: Students entering with less than 80 semesters hours must be prepared to complete extra course/credits to meet the University requirement of 120 total hours. Students are responsible for review of personal records and knowledge of individual requirements for graduation.

The web site for the Nursing Program can be viewed at [www.weber.edu/Nursing](http://www.weber.edu/Nursing). Additional information about the program is available.

**If you have a record of convicted criminal actions it may affect your eligibility for admissions to the WSU Nursing Program. Additionally all admitted applicants will be required to complete a mandatory drug test. Admission to the program is contingent upon submission of a satisfactory background check and a negative drug test. If a background check reveals a history of convicted criminal actions or the drug test result is positive for controlled substances (prescription or non-prescription), then the student may not be allowed to begin the program and will not be entitled to any refunds of tuition dollars or other fees.**

Physically challenged and learning disabled students must register with the Office for Students with Disabilities Office prior to starting the nursing program if special assistance is required. Please call 801-626-6413

Please visit [weber.edu/nursefunctreq](http://weber.edu/nursefunctreq) for the physical requirements of nursing.

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| The Weber State University Nursing Program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission.<br><br>3343 Peachtree Road N.E., Suite 850<br>Atlanta, GA 30326<br><br>Phone: 404-975-5000<br>Fax: 404-975-5020<br><br>Web site: <a href="http://nlac.org">nlac.org</a> | <u>Housing</u><br>Weber State University<br>Director of Housing<br>3101 University Circle<br>Ogden , UT 84408-3101<br>801-626-7275       | <u>Scholarships</u><br>Weber State University<br>Scholarship Office<br>1015 University Circle<br>Ogden, UT 84408-1015<br>801-626-7569 |
|   | <u>Financial Aid</u><br>Weber State University<br>Financial Aid Office<br>1017 University Circle<br>Ogden, UT 84408-1017<br>801-626-7569 | <u>Bookstore</u><br>Weber State University<br>Bookstore<br>2103 University Circle<br>Ogden, UT 84408-2103<br>801-626-6352             |

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Please review the website from time to time for up to date information.

**-January 2012**