

FAQ for FPU TUG BSN program

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When will students be able to begin the program?

The institution began offering the prerequisite courses, a two-year sequence of coursework, for the BSN program beginning in the **fall semester of 2020**.

The BSN program itself begins during the third year of the traditional undergraduate curriculum. Students beginning the prerequisite coursework in the fall semester of 2020 will have the opportunity to apply to the BSN program in the 2021-2022 academic year and, if accepted into the BSN program, will begin upper-division BSN program coursework in the **fall semester of 2022**.

The BSN program will first accept applications for the program during the 2021-2022 academic year and will advise applicants of their admissions status in early 2022.

Where will the program be offered?

The traditional undergraduate BSN program will only be offered in Fresno, either on the main campus and/or at the North Fresno campus. It will not be offered at the Visalia, Merced, or Bakersfield satellite campuses.

Who can apply to the program?

Individuals who have completed, or are scheduled to complete, program prerequisites by the end of the 2021-2022 academic year will have the opportunity to apply to the program in the 2021-2022 academic year.

In considering applications, preference will be given to individuals who have completed program prerequisite coursework primarily at FPU through the first and second years of the curriculum.

Transfer applicants will *not* be considered unless class spaces are available after students who will complete program prerequisite coursework primarily at FPU have received consideration for admission to the program.

What are the requirements to apply to the program?

Requirements for admission into the program are not yet written in stone.

Institutional requirements, at the minimum, will include

- completion of course prerequisites
- application to the program (application to the program is *not* the same as application to the university; this is a separate application and process)
- ability to meet BRN requirements for RN licensure (no felonies, etc.)

How do I apply?

To apply to the BSN program, you should already be a student at FPU and in the midst of the second year of the traditional undergraduate curriculum. At this point consult your program advisor for specifics on the application process.

I'm not yet in the second year of the traditional undergraduate curriculum. How do I get started?

To begin the prerequisite coursework for the BSN program, apply to the university to matriculate as an undergraduate. For more on this process, either call 800-660-6089 or browse to https://www.fresno.edu/ask-about-program?enrollment_area=undergraduate .

What is the curriculum for the first two years?

What courses should I take upon enrolling as a freshman?

Enroll in the following courses in the fall semester of your freshman year, unless, in consultation with your advisor, it is clear there is a reason not to do so:

| | Course title | Units |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| BIOL 231 and 231L | Anatomy and physiology I | 4 |
| CP 152L | College success strategies (Fr.) | 0.5 |
| COM 110 | Written communication | 3 |
| BIB 100 | Jesus and the Christian community | 3 |
| HIST 120 | Ancient civilizations | 4 |
| PE 100-154 | A physical education activity course | 1 |

In the spring semester of the freshman year, enroll in the following courses:

| | Course title | Units |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| BIOL 232 and 232L: | Anatomy and physiology II | 4 |
| BLIT 310-349 | A Biblical literature course | 3 |
| COM 120 | Oral communication | 3 |
| HIST 130 | Medieval/Early Modern Civilization | 4 |
| ----- | A humanities elective | 3 |

In the sophomore year, enroll in the following courses unless, in consultation with your academic advisor, it is clear there is a reason not to do so:

| | Course title | Units |
|-----------|---|--------------|
| CHEM 210 | Chemistry for Allied Health | 3 |
| CHEM 212L | Chemistry for Allied Health: Laboratory | 1 |
| HIST 140 | Modern Civilizations | 4 |
| KIN 270 | Nutrition | 3 |
| PSY 360 | Life-Span Development | 3 |
| ----- | A humanities elective | 3 |

The recommended coursework for the spring semester of the sophomore year is comprised of the following:

| | Course title | Units |
|---------------|--|--------------|
| BIOL 340/340L | Microbiology | 4 |
| MATH 205 | Statistics | 3 |
| NURS 315 | Professional roles and theories of nursing | 3 |
| SOC 120 | Introduction to Sociology | 3 |

THEO 465

Theological Ethics of Conflict and Peacemaking 3

A humanities elective 3

Is it essential that all courses in the curriculum are completed in the precise sequence specified in the suggested course schedule?

No.

A number of courses in the curriculum can be “safely” shifted to an alternative semester if scheduling proves challenging, especially within the first four semesters of the curriculum. For example, if it proves preferable to complete written communication in the second semester and to complete oral communication in the first semester, such a switch would not interfere with progression through the curriculum. Such courses include HIST 120, HIST 130, HIST 140, the humanities GE electives, the Biblical literature course, PSY 360, the physical education course, oral communication, written communication, and the introductory sociology course.

Is completing the KIN 120: Concepts of Wellness course (listed in the PreHealth major requirements) a requirement of the BSN program curriculum?

No.

The nursing faculty have committed to ensuring that the components and learning objectives of the Concepts of Wellness course are addressed across the BSN curriculum. Students who do not gain entry into the BSN program must address the requirements associated with the major they elect to graduate with.

In the course catalog, PSY 120: General Psychology is listed as a course prerequisite for PSY 360: Lifespan Development. Why isn't PSY 120: General Psychology course listed in the suggested coursework for the BSN program?

The psychology faculty agreed to permit prelicensure nursing students to enroll directly in PSY 360 without fulfilling the PSY 120 course prerequisite.

I looked at the fresno.edu page for the program and am confused by the list of courses.

- What is “Professional roles and theories of nursing”?
This course, the introductory nursing course, will not be offered until the 21-22 academic year.
- What is “Intro to chemistry and biochemistry”?
This course, the introductory chemistry course for FPU pre-licensure nursing students, will not be offered until the 21-22 academic year.
- What is “FS: Theological ethics of conflict and peacemaking”?
"FS: Theological ethics of conflict and peacemaking" is pretty cryptic, isn't it? This course, THEO-465, is part of completing the "Focus Series" requirement for graduation.

Contact

I have more questions.

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