

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE – SCHOOL OF NURSING
REQUIREMENTS & PROCESS FOR APPLICATION Fall 2021

Students who anticipate enrolling in the beginning nursing courses, Nursing 220, Nursing 222 and Nursing 225 for the Spring 2022 semester need to submit a completed *Nursing Program Application* by October 29, 2021. All admission requirements must be completed by the end of the fall semester.

Minimum Requirements to Apply to the BSN Program:

1. Students must be admitted to Rhode Island College and be an Intended Nursing Major.
2. Completion of Rhode Island College Mathematics Competency & Writing Requirement.*
3. Completion of Biology 231, Chemistry 106 and Psychology 230 with a minimum grade of C in each course and a minimum overall grade point average of 2.67 (B-) in these 3 courses.
4. **A minimum RIC cumulative grade point average of 3.0** for students who have taken any RIC courses.
For second degree and transfer students, a weighted cumulative GPA of all courses taken at any college must also be at least 3.0.
The GPA and cognate minimums must be met *at the time of application and at the end of the semester* in which the application was submitted.

*Refer to the *Bulletin of Rhode Island College Catalog* for descriptions of the Math Competency and Writing Requirements.

Application Process:

All students:

1. Complete the current semester *Nursing Program Application*. Applications can be obtained on the School of Nursing website <https://www.ric.edu/departments-directory/school-nursing/nursing-undergraduate-programs/basic-baccalaureate-program-bsn>
2. Attach a student copy of your current Rhode Island College transcript.
3. Attach **all transcripts** with grades for **all courses** taken at any college – an unofficial or **legible** student copy is acceptable.
4. Completed admission requirements should be highlighted on your transcript(s).
5. Highlight **all** attempts at Biology 231, Chemistry 106 and Psychology 230, including withdrawals or repeated attempts.
6. Email your completed application and transcripts to your faculty advisor to review and make an appointment to discuss your application with your advisor. Your advisor will then submit your application and transcripts electronically.

Nursing Transfer Students:

Students transferring from other nursing programs are required to forward a letter of good standing from the previous nursing program to the School of Nursing Undergraduate Program Director.

Completed applications with attached transcripts must be submitted electronically to your advisor in time for her/him to review and submit them to NursingAdmissions@ric.edu by October 29, 2021. All applications and related forms must be submitted electronically via your RIC email.

If you do not receive an email by November 10, 2021 from the School of Nursing confirming receipt of your application, it was not received. Contact your advisor right away.

A student may withdraw their application no later than January 4, 2022 at 4 pm by electronically submitting the SON Application Withdrawal form, available on the School of Nursing website <https://www.ric.edu/departments-directory/school-nursing/nursing-undergraduate-programs/basic-baccalaureate-program-bsn> to NursingAdmissions@ric.edu. Students currently taking courses at schools other than RIC must submit an updated transcript to NursingAdmissions@ric.edu by January 4, 2022. Make sure your name and the college's name is on the transcript.

Admission to the basic baccalaureate nursing program is highly competitive. **Students can apply to the School of Nursing a total of three times.** The review of applicant records is a comprehensive process and includes review of all grades in cognates required for admission (PSYC 230, BIOL 231 and CHEM 106) and overall GPA with preference given to those applicants with the highest records of academic achievement. The School of Nursing reserves the right to consider other factors in admissions decisions. Each application is considered in relation to other applicants applying at the same time without regard to previous applications. Preference is given to students initially admitted to the college as freshmen.

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NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name: _____
Last First M.

Present address: _____

City State Zip

Mailing address if different from above: _____

Student ID: _____ RIC Email address: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Cell: _____

Declared Intended Nursing Major at RIC: Yes ___ No ___

Transfer Student: Yes ___ No ___ Previously enrolled in another nursing program: Yes ___ No ___

If yes, transcripts for all courses included: Yes ___ If yes: Program(s): _____ Dates: _____

Second Degree Student: Yes ___ No ___ Cumulative RIC GPA _____

If transfer or 2nd degree student, weighted cumulative GPA _____
 (see worksheet on back)

Presidential Scholar: Yes ___ No ___

Previously applied to SON: Yes ___ No ___ If yes, number of previous applications: _____ Dates: _____

Are you currently taking courses? Yes ___ No ___ If so, where? _____

Cognate grades: include **ALL** attempts of each course including withdrawals. Specify dates taken and grades received for each course. A minimum grade of C in each course and a minimum overall grade point average of 2.67 (B-) in these three courses are required.

	Date(s) Completed or Date Expected to Complete	School(s) Where Course was Taken	Grade(s)
Anatomy (BIOL 231)	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
Human Development (PSYC 230)	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
General, Organic & Biological Chemistry II (CHEM 106)	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____

Date Math Competency Completed: _____ Date Writing Requirement Completed: _____

I have read and understand the RIC SON requirements and process for application.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Faculty Advisor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Date Received _____

____ Advisor signature

____ Enrolled at RIC

____ Declared Nursing Major at RIC

____ Current RIC transcript (student copy)

____ Transcripts with grades for all coursework taken elsewhere.

**WORKSHEET TO CALCULATE WEIGHTED GPA
FACULTY USE ONLY**

Name: _____

Student ID number: _____

Use this worksheet for transfer students and second degree students who have taken courses at more than one college.
Students with international transcripts must meet with the BSN Program Director to determine weighted GPA.

Using the transcript from each college attended:

1. Add **points** (sometimes labelled “**quality points**”) from all colleges attended.
2. Add **GPA units** (sometimes labelled “**GPA hours**”) from all colleges.
3. Divide the total points by the total GPA units to get the weighted GPA.

College Name	Cumulative GPA	Quality Points or Points	GPA Units
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
TOTAL:		_____	_____
		Sum of points	Sum of GPA Units
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		Weighted GPA	

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College Name	Cumulative GPA	Quality Points	GPA Units
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
TOTAL:		_____	_____
		Sum of points	Sum of GPA units
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		Weighted GPA	