

Master's of Science in Nursing – MSN (Online)

Application Checklist

Program Eligibility

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from a school accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing or Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
- Current unencumbered RN licensure in the state of residence
- A course in basic statistics with a grade of “C” or better
- A grade point average of 2.5 in all upper-division nursing courses
- Be proficient in Microsoft Office (particularly Word)

Admission Requirements to be completed *BEFORE* the Application Deadline:

- Online application for the MSN program via the BSHP website ([Online Application](#))
- Complete Online Readiness Survey (sent via email by Admissions Advisor)
- Resume
- Copy of RN License
- Two professional references
- A Statement of Purpose
 - The document *must* be double spaced with 1 inch margins, Times New Roman 12-point font and a maximum length of two (2) pages.
 - The Statement of Purpose should address the following:
 - Discuss your interest in nursing graduate education.
 - Identify the specialty of interest and the basis for choice as well as personal and professional goals.
 - Discuss any special circumstances that require clarification.
- Submit electronic transcripts or mail **All Official** college transcripts from each college/university attended (including hospital school of nursing, if applicable) to:

Baptist School of Health Professions
Student Services
8400 Datapoint Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229

- Submit a copy of your High School Diploma, High School Transcript, or GED certificate. If applicable submit DD214 and Military transcripts (Per Department of Education and VA Regulations).
- Email your Admissions Advisor to verify that your application has been properly submitted. Your advisor will accept submission of the following scanned via email: Resume, Statement of Purpose, Copy of HS Diploma/HS Transcript

Failure to complete any of the above by an application deadline will result in removal from the ranking list

Admissions Decisions:

Students are admitted three times per year. Admission into the MSN program is competitive and based upon GPA, level of relevant experience and available class space.

Note if you are accepted into the program you will complete the next checklist for items before the start of your program

Program Start Date

Fall, Spring, Summer

Application Deadline

Fall – August 1st
Spring - December 1st
Summer – April 1st

Prerequisites

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Accepted Student Checklist

Admission Requirements to Be Completed *AFTER* Acceptance but Before 1st Day of Class:

*****Please note that your acceptance is conditional until all of the following have been completed*****

- Complete and return new student paperwork. (Admissions advisor will send packet by email.)
- Provide photocopies of Driver's License and Social Security card
- Complete and pass a Group1 criminal background check (Admissions advisor will send packet by email.)
- Complete health screening with school nurse and be up-to-date with required immunizations – Student Health Nurse – Karen Puguan 210-297-9163 kxpuguan@baptisthealthsystem.com
- Proof of health insurance coverage (CareLink is acceptable)
- Proof of American Heart Association (AHA) CPR certification for Healthcare Providers (*no online courses*)
- Complete Student Success Orientation online modules (IT department will provide log in information and instructions via email)

Financial Aid

- To apply for federal aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Visit www.fafsa.ed.gov and select the Baptist School of Health Professions (Federal school code 014956). (Financial Aid will be available pending approval.)

VA Student Requirements

- DD214
- Certificate of Eligibility
- Official Transcripts from all previous educational programs are required prior to student's VA Certification of Enrollment Form being signed by designated School Official [VA Regulation 14254 (C) (4)]. The Veteran will provide the school with a VA Form 1990. The school will complete the Certification of Enrollment Form after the first class day provided that all official transcripts from all previous educational programs have been received. The Certification of Enrollment Form will be signed by the School Official no sooner than the student's enrollment in the program. The school will notify the VA within 30 days if enrollment has ceased.
- ALL military transcripts (can be requested at <https://jst.doded.mil/smart/welcome.do>)
- US Air Force Veterans can request their military transcripts at (<http://www.credentials-inc.com/cgi-bin/dvcgitp.pgm?ALUMTRO012308>)

Non-Texas Residents

- The Baptist Health System School of Health Professions offers full distance education programs outside the state of Texas in states where the school has confirmed it is permitted to operate. Regulations differ from state to state, and different states may allow different programs. Applicants to any program offered online should confirm with the Admissions Department staff as to the regulations in their home states.

International Students

- International Students are not eligible for the MSN program.