



GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY

Department of Nursing Baccalaureate Nursing Program

Application for Fall 2014 Admission

The following describes the admission process for prospective applicants to the nursing program at George Fox University. Please read all information carefully.

Admission to the Nursing Program is competitive and meeting the admission criteria does not guarantee acceptance into the program. You must be admitted to George Fox University before you can apply to the Nursing Program.

ADMISSION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

Students are admitted their sophomore year. Applications are available to download at <http://nursing.georgefox.edu>. There are two application deadlines:

1. **Priority Consideration for Admission** (see B.1 for details) - George Fox University pre-nursing students - May 20, 2014
2. **Regular Admission** (see B.2 for details) - George Fox University pre-nursing students and all transfer/2nd degree students - June 26, 2014

All applications must be into the Department of Nursing by 5:00 pm for both deadlines.

The Department of Nursing will send notification to the mailing address indicated on the application:

1. Priority Consideration for Admission applicants by May 20, 2014
2. Regular Admission for George Fox University pre-nursing students and all transfer/2nd degree students by June 26, 2014.

George Fox students and college transfer students applying for admission to the nursing program must have fulfilled the following minimum criteria:

- Cumulative college GPA of 2.8 or better
- Cumulative GPA of 2.8 or better in all nursing prerequisite courses
- It is strongly recommended that all science prerequisite course work be completed within the last five years.

Priority consideration for admission will be given to George Fox University freshmen. See B.1. Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 does not guarantee admission into the nursing program.

A. ADMISSION CRITERIA

The following criteria must be met to be eligible for consideration for admission to the Baccalaureate Nursing Program:

1. Prerequisite Courses

ALL first year prerequisite classes must be successfully completed (grade of C or better) before applying to the program:

- a. General, Organic & Biological Chemistry – 1 year with lab - (CHEM 151, 152)
- b. Human Anatomy & Physiology 1 year with lab - (BIOL 331,332)
- c. College Algebra (Math 180) – does not include Statistics
- d. Principles of Sociology (SOCL 150) or General Psychology (PSYC 150)
- e. Intro to Communication (COMM 100)
- f. Freshman Composition College Writing (WRIT 110)

2. Official Transcripts

It is the responsibility of every applicant to make sure all official transcripts of courses taken at other colleges or universities (either by classroom, correspondence or the web) are on file with the GFU Admissions Office before applying to the nursing program. Course grades must be on transcripts.

All applicants: An official transcript evaluation must be completed for all prerequisite courses not taken at GFU prior to application.

- a. **GFU student:** an “unofficial transcript” from myGFU plus copies of “official” transcripts from any other institution must be included in your application packet. The transcript evaluation must be completed through the Registrars’ Office
- b. **Transfer / Second-degree students:** include an official transcript of courses completed at other colleges/universities with application packet. Transfer credit evaluation must be completed with University Registrar and on file before application is submitted

3. Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) entrance examination must be taken before June 24. See B.4 for details.

4. Criminal Background Check – Students accepted into the program will have a background check completed by “Certified Background”. No other background check will be accepted. Cost is \$41.00, subject to change.

5. Mandatory Drug Testing – Students accepted into the program must have a drug test on file in the nursing department office prior to first clinical rotations. Drug tests will be conducted at Providence Newberg Medical Center on specific dates set up through the nursing department. No other drug tests will be accepted. Cost is \$40.00, subject to change.

6. Immunizations must be completed with official documentation uploaded directly to Immunization Tracker (a part of Certified Background). (see Section D for requirements). Cost is \$35.00, subject to change.
7. **Transfer students only:** Submit a non-refundable application fee of **\$50.00** check or money order payable to the **GFU Department of Nursing** with application. Transfer students are students that have not attended GFU for one year (2 semesters) prior to applying.

B. SELECTION PROCESS

1. Priority Consideration for Admission for George Fox University students to the Bachelor of Science, Nursing Program

Once admitted to George Fox University, freshman students pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing who meet the following expectations of academic and personal achievement during their freshman year will be eligible for priority admission into the nursing program.

- Maintain a 3.3 minimum cumulative grade point average in all classes.
- Maintain a 3.3 minimum cumulative grade point average in math and science classes including MATH 180, CHEM 151 & 152, and Anatomy & Physiology BIO 331 & 332.
- Demonstrate evidence of good citizenship and responsibility while on campus.
- Maintain full time student status at George Fox University.
- Students whose GPA fall below the benchmark of a 3.3, but do meet the 2.8 GPA minimum requirements are still eligible to apply for the nursing program, however admission to the major is not guaranteed.
- Once admitted into the nursing program, continuation in the program is not guaranteed.

2. Regular Admission for George Fox University and Transfer/2nd Degree Students to the Bachelor of Science, Nursing Program

Students not eligible for Priority Consideration for Admission must have fulfilled the following minimum criteria:

- Maintain a 2.8 minimum cumulative grade point average in all classes.
- Maintain a 2.8 minimum cumulative grade point average in math and science classes including MATH 180, CHEM 151 & 152, and Anatomy & Physiology BIO 331 & 332.
- Meet other nursing application criteria including the TEAS Exam, essay, and Letters of Reference are also required.
- Demonstrate evidence of good citizenship and responsibility.
- Once admitted into the nursing program, continuation in the program is not guaranteed.
- It is strongly recommended that all science prerequisite course work be completed within the last five years.

Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 does not guarantee admission into the nursing program.

3. One Written Essay

In the essay (**300 words maximum**) answer the following two questions:

- 1) *Why do you want to pursue nursing as a profession?*
- 2) *Why are you choosing George Fox University for your nursing education?*

Format: 1" margins, double space, 12 font – Times New Roman

4. Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) V Score – each applicant must complete this **mandatory** entrance examination. Test can only be taken once for this application period. There are no retakes.

Priority Consideration for Admission Deadline for taking the TEAS is May 20.

GFU student and Transfer Student Deadline for taking the TEAS is June 24.

TEAS testing site is on the George Fox University (Newberg) campus:

You can register online to take TEAS V test at George Fox University, Newberg, OR after February 1.

- Location on campus - MLRC (Library) Computer Lab (Room 013)
- Cost: \$60.00 EXACT cash or check made payable to GFU Dept of Nursing. Payment can be made in the nursing office (HVR 215) any time before and no later than the time of the test.
- Exam results will automatically be provided to the Department of Nursing.
- On date of test **photo ID is required**.

*You need to score an ATI Proficiency Level of: Proficient, Advanced, or Exemplary to be considered for admittance.

Distant applicants need to call ATI at 800-667-7531 to find a local testing center.

You may purchase an optional study guide by contacting [ATI](#) at 800-667-7531.

Recommendation and Appraisal Form

Two Recommendation and Appraisal Forms are to be submitted. Download forms from <http://nursing.georgefox.edu>

- a. One from a university professor (preferably science)
- b. One from someone who know the applicant's interest in the nursing profession.

All forms are to be mailed directly to the nursing department (address provided on the form).

Applicant will be notified by email when a form has been received by the department.

C. WAIT LIST

A wait list may be implemented when there are more qualified applicants than placement capacity. Applicants who are placed on the wait list will be notified by mail of their status. If positions become available to accommodate additional eligible students, the wait list will be activated. Applicants are only on the wait list for the year of application.

Students who are not admitted to the fall semester, for which they initially apply, must reapply for the next year and will be reviewed for admission with the new group of applicants.

D. HEALTH CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Students who are admitted must have the following vaccinations and CPR completed by the first day of classes of fall semester:

1. a. Initially one of the following is required:
2 step TB Skin test (1-3 weeks apart) OR
QuantiFERON Gold Blood Test OR
if positive results, provide a clear Chest X-Ray.

Renewal date will be set for 1 year. Upon renewal, one of the following is required: 1 Step TB Skin Test OR QuantiFERON Gold Blood Test OR TB Questionnaire. TB Questionnaire must show date given, date read and induration in millimeters. TB Questionnaire is acceptable when documented as a part of a physical from a Medical Professional.

- b. TB skin tests are to be taken annually for as long as the student is in the program.
2. Proof of current immunizations for:
 - a. DTaP within past 10 years
 - b. Two (2) MMR vaccinations
 - c. Series of three Hepatitis B
 - d. Varicella (Chickenpox) – proof of either two (2) Varicella vaccinations or one (1) titer for Varicella. Having had chicken pox is NOT sufficient documentation.
 - e. Influenza (flu shot) – obtained during fall semester

3. CPR Certification for Healthcare Provider:

- American Heart Association BLS for Healthcare Provider CPR/AED certification only.

E. RE-APPLICATION (Applying to the Nursing Program for the second time)

All students reapplying to the Baccalaureate program must meet the current admission criteria (cumulative grade point average and completion of prerequisite courses) and follow all steps detailed in the application procedure in order to be eligible for admission. Reapplication does not guarantee readmission.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Nursing students must meet the general education requirements of the University for the Bachelor of Science degree.

G. SIGNATURE PAGE and APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

_____ General information and prerequisite course work pages completed.

_____ Transcripts:

Copy of GFU “unofficial” transcript (obtained from myGFU)

Official transfer credit transcript(s) of all prerequisite courses from other universities/colleges

Official transfer credit transcript **evaluation** must be completed at time of University admission

_____ One Essay

_____ Have taken TEAS test and had results submitted to Nursing Department

_____ 2 Recommendation & Appraisal Forms sent to and received by the Nursing Dept.

_____ Signature Page

In addition, **Transfer Students/ 2nd Degree Students:**

_____ \$50.00 application fee

I understand that any attempt on my part to falsify answers or exclude pertinent data is cause for rejection of my application and/or dismissal from the program. I hereby certify that all statements in my application are true.

Student Signature

Date



GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY

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Admission Application

GENERAL INFORMATION (black or blue ink only)

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Maiden Name
**Email Address			
**Permanent Address (Street, Apt #)		City, State, Zip	
**Local Address (if different from above)		City, State, Zip	
Primary Phone	Secondary Phone	State of Legal Residence:	GFU Student ID #:
Person to contact in case of emergency		Telephone	Relationship:

**** Circle the address to which you want your letter of decision mailed.**

APPLICANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING THE DEPARTMENT OF NURSING OF ANY ADDRESS CHANGE

Have you been arrested, charged with, entered a plea of guilty, no contest, convicted of or been sentenced for any criminal offense either misdemeanor or felony, including driving under the influence, in any state? (The fact that a conviction has been pardoned, expunged, dismissed or that your civil rights have been restored does not mean that you answer this question "NO"; you would answer "YES" and give details on the charge). Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

Are you a transfer student/2nd degree student? Yes _____ No _____

For statistical purposes, the Nursing Program would appreciate the following optional information:

Date of Birth _____ Male Female Prior Degree Earned (BS, BA, AA) _____

Federally Recognized Groups:

African American _____
 American Indian/Alaskan Native _____
 Asian/Pacific Islander _____
 Caucasian _____
 Hispanic _____
 Other (specify) _____

Is English the first language you spoke? Yes No

If no, what language? _____

George Fox University Courses - Nursing Prerequisites

Pre-requisite Course Work: Indicate below all courses you have taken at George Fox University to meet the Department of Nursing prerequisite course requirements. Course grades must be on transcript.

NOTE: Clarity and accuracy are very important. Any inaccuracies will negatively impact processing of the application.

KEY: For classes you are currently taking indicate with “CT” in Grade column.

GFU COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER TAKEN	GRADE
BIOL 331 Human Anatomy & Physiology			
BIOL 332 Human Anatomy & Physiology			
CHEM 151 General, Organic & Biological Chemistry			
CHEM 152 General, Organic & Biological Chemistry			
SOCI 150 Principles of Sociology			
COMM 100 Intro. To Communication			
MATH 180 College Algebra or higher			
PSYC 150 General Psychology			
WRIT 110 Freshman Composition			

Transfer Courses – Nursing Prerequisites

Pre-requisite Course Work: Indicate below all courses you have taken to meet the Department of Nursing prerequisite course requirements. Course grades must be on transcripts. Transfer credit evaluation must be completed with University Registrar and on file before application is submitted.
NOTE: Clarity and accuracy are very important. Any inaccuracies will negatively impact processing of the application.
KEY: For classes you are currently taking indicate with “CT” in Grade column.

COLLEGE COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	PREFIX & COURSE NUMBER	INSTITUTION WHERE COURSE COMPLETED	SEMESTER/QUARTER YEAR TAKEN	GRADE
Human Anatomy & Physiology					
Human Anatomy & Physiology					
Human Anatomy & Physiology					
General, Organic & Biological Chemistry					
General, Organic & Biological Chemistry					
General, Organic & Biological Chemistry					
Principles of Sociology					
Intro. To Communication					
College Algebra or higher					
General Psychology					
Freshman Composition College Writing					