THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO
School of Nursing

Information for Parents and Families

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program at UNCG is a rigorous and competitive program. This handout provides information you can use to help your student be successful in their studies.

I. Student Progress: Establish open communication with your student. The University is restricted from sharing grade information with parents directly. It is up to you to obtain this information from your student. Student grades are posted online in UNCGenie, which is accessed via the student’s ID and PIN number. Student’s progress towards their degree can also be viewed with Degree Works in UNCGenie.

Your student needs to monitor their degree progress with assistance from their advisor. You may find it helpful to be informed about their progress and may want to arrange this with your student.

II. Campus Resources: Due to the competitive nature of the BSN program, it is important for students to be aware of the available campus resources and to seek help when needed.

- **Career and Professional Development**: Provides services such as career testing, resume assistance, and job search assistance. Located in EUC, Room 1 (first floor), 336.334.5454, [www.uncg.edu/csc](http://www.uncg.edu/csc).
- **The Leonard J. Kaplan Center for Wellness**: Recreation & Wellness has evolved into a place where you can reflect deeper, play harder, grow stronger, explore farther, accomplish more, and enjoy life. Focus areas for personal wellness include, but are not limited to, alcohol and substance use prevention, sexual health, nutrition and body image, mental health, and sexual and relationship violence prevention. 336.334.5924, [https://recwell.uncg.edu/wellness/](https://recwell.uncg.edu/wellness/).
- **Student Health Center**: Comprehensive health services. 336.334.5340, [http://www.uncg.edu/shs/](http://www.uncg.edu/shs/).
- **The Office of Accessibility Resources & Services**: Support for students with diagnosed learning disabilities and physical disabilities. Located in EUC, Room 208, 336.334.5440, [https://ods.uncg.edu/](https://ods.uncg.edu/).
- **Writing (336.334.3125) and Speaking (336.256.1346) Centers**: Free assistance with writing projects and speaking skills. Located in Moore Humanities and Research Administration Building, room 3211.
- **Students First Office (SFO)**: provides academic advising, first-year initiatives, and programs to aid undergraduate success. Students interested in looking at other majors on campus should schedule an appointment to meet with an advisor. Located in Room 101, Forney Student Success Commons, 336.334.5730, students@uncg.edu
- **Academic Achievement Center** provides a variety of programs including:
  - Tutoring and Academic Skills Programs (TASP): Free tutoring for all students in many lower-level courses, study skills assessments, and academic workshops. Located in Rooms 114 and 214, Forney Student Success Commons 336.334.3878, tasp@uncg.edu
  - Special Support Services (SSS): services for first generation college students and students with disabilities, include individualized tutoring, counseling & advisement, academic skills assessment, and a Learning/Computer Lab. Same location and contact information as TASP.
  - Supplemental Instruction Program (SIP) for selected courses, same location and contact information as TASP.

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III. GPA Policy: Students pursuing the nursing major need to maintain at least a 3.0 or higher cumulative UNCG GPA. Students not meeting this requirement at the end of their first semester are advised to pursue other majors and begin parallel planning with their advisor. The minimum GPA to be eligible to apply to the Upper Division is a 3.0; however, to be competitive and offered a seat in the program, the GPA must be significantly higher.

IV. Application Requirements/ATI TEAS: Applications for the Upper Division are available on-line December 1st of each year. The deadline to apply is February 1st. In addition to submitting your application and transcripts, the ATI TEAS is required: Test of Essential Academic Skills. We do not have a minimum requirement; however, a competitive score is in the advanced level range of 78% or above.

V. CNA (Nurse Aide I): We do not have a CNA I requirement to apply to the nursing program; however, we highly recommend students obtain their certification and work as a CNA if possible. This experience helps students decide whether providing direct care to patients is their true passion. In addition, nursing faculty encourage students to work as a CNA during the summer between junior and senior year.

VI. Priority Admission (subject to space availability) for students who meet the following criteria:
1. Enter UNCG as a new, first time freshman on a 4-year plan of study.
2. Earn and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 by the end of the third semester.
3. Complete all but one of the following required science courses:
   - CHE 104 General Descriptive Chemistry II
   - BIO 271 Human Anatomy (or KIN 291 Clinical Human Anatomy)
   - BIO 277 Human Physiology (or KIN 292 Clinical Human Physiology)
   - BIO 280 Fundamentals of Microbiology
   and at least one of the following pre-requisite courses:
   - NTR 213 Introductory Nutrition
   - STA 108 Elementary Introduction to Probability and Statistics
   - PHI 121 Contemporary Moral Problems or PHI 220 Medical Ethics or RCO 203
   by the end of the third semester, with a 3.0 (B) or better in each course completed. Courses must be completed at UNCG. These courses may not be repeated.
4. Complete three (3) semesters at UNCG (minimum of 45 semester hours). All the courses above, must be completed by the end of the spring semester, to matriculate into the nursing program that summer.
5. Overall score of 78% or above on the ATI TEAS.
6. Meet all other admission requirements for the upper-division nursing major.

VII. Additional Information
- School of Nursing website (nursing.uncg.edu): The School of Nursing website lists program requirements, financial aid and scholarship information, and faculty and staff contact information
- NC Board of Nursing website (www.ncbon.com): Lists all nursing programs in the state with NCLEX pass rate information (very helpful when researching other schools)

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