# **SCHOOL OF NURSING**

### Dean

Diploma, Baptist College for the Health Sciences; B.S.N., University of Memphis; Diploma in Anesthesia, University of Tennessee, Knoxville Graduate School of Medicine; M.S.N. and Ph.D., University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center.

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Assistant Professor of Nursing. A.A., Union University;

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## **Faculty**

- (2008). Associate Dean, Undergraduate Program and Assistant Professor of B.S.N., Texas Christian University; M.S.N., University Nursing, B.S.N., Mississippi University for Women; M.S.N., and D.N.Sc., University of Tennessee Health Science Center.
- , , (2007). Chair, Nurse Practitioner Tracks and Associate Professor of Nursing, Diploma, Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, B.A., Stephens College, B.S.N., University of Memphis, M.S.N. and D.N.P., University of Tennessee Health Science Center.
- (2009). Assistant Professor of Nursing. B.S.N., University of Tennessee, Martin; M.S.N., University of Memphis.
- (2011). Assistant Professor of Nursing. A.S.N., Shelby State Community College; B.S.N. and M.S.N., Union University; Post Masters Certificate, University of Memphis.
- B.S.N., University of Tennessee; M.S.N., Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia.
- B.S.N. and M.S.N., Union University.
- (2009). Assistant Professor of Nursing. B.S.N., University of South Alabama; M.S.N., Vanderbilt University.
- (1972-89; 1991). Associate Professor of Nursing. B.S.N., University of Tennessee College of Nursing, Memphis; M.Ed., University of Memphis; M.S.N., The University of Tennessee, Health Science Center.
- . (2005). Associate Professor of Nursing. B.S.N., Memphis State University; M.S., University of Memphis; M.S.N., Union University.
- (2007). Associate Professor of Nursing. B.S.N., Oral Roberts University; M.S.N. and Ph.D., St. Louis University.
- (2009) Instructor of Nursing. B.S.N., University of Tennessee, Martin; M.S.N., Union University.
- (2009). Assistant Professor of Nursing. B.S.N., University of Tennessee, Martin; M.S.N., Union University.
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- Union University; M.S.N., University of Tennessee Health Science Center.
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## Curriculum

The programs of the School of Nursing are approved by the Tennessee Board of Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. CCNE may be contacted at One Dupont Circle, NW Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120 or 202.887.6791.

The program leads to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree (RN to BSN, Basic BSN and Accelerated tracks). The RN to BSN track offers a curriculum of study leading to the BSN for registered nurses who have graduated from associate degree or diploma programs. The School of Nursing also offers the Basic BSN track, a curriculum of study leading to the BSN degree as the first professional degree in nursing, to students who have completed two years of pre-nursing study and to qualified LPNs. The BSN-accelerated track offers a curriculum of intensive study for students who have completed a baccalaureate in another field or who have completed 69 credit hours in general education requirements toward a bachelors degree.

The nursing student qualifies as a full participant in the intellectual community of the liberal arts college. Students majoring in nursing share with other students at Union University a basic foundation in the social and physical sciences, as well as in general knowledge. The faculty of the School of Nursing expresses the belief that nursing is a dynamic discipline reflecting change based on an everexpanding body of knowledge. Through application of

- Achievement Test and achieve a set passing score or retake the courses for credit.
- 4. Fully completed Health History and Physical Examination Form (obtained in the School of Nursing), must be submitted to the School of Nursing office prior to beginning the first semester. This form must include documentation of current immunizations, including the following: tetanus booster within the past 10 years; Hepatitis B vaccination series; MMR; positive Varicella titer and negative screen for tuberculosis (skin test or chest x-ray) within the past 12 months or documentation of compliance with CDC guidelines for tuberculosis screening. The student must update this information annually. Failure to have current health information on file will result in the student being asked to withdraw from clinical nursing courses. The SON follows guidelines of the Southern Regional Education Board Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing Education.
- 5. The student must have documentation of a clear criminal background check and a clean urine drug screen, completed before beginning nursing curriculum.
- 6. An interview with a nursing applicant may be requested. The interview allows the student an opportunity to become acquainted with the School of Nursing and allows the interview committee an opportunity to evaluate the student's potential for nursing education.
- 7. Each accepted applicant will be notified and given a reasonable length of time to indicate a commitment to attend Union University. The student must submit an acceptance reply accompanied with a \$200.00 nonrefundable deposit.
- 8. The Licensure Application, which is completed prior to graduation, asks the question, "Have you ever been convicted of a violation of the law other than a minor traffic violation?" A reported conviction

# Degree Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, initial RN licensure tracks:

A. Non-nursing courses required for both tracks

- 1. Gateway course; ENG 111, 112; BIO 221, 222; PSY 213, 219; PEWS 100; CHR 111, 112; BIO 201 or 211; SOC 211—Curriculum Model Year 1.
- ENG 201, 202; CHE 105 or 111; HIS 101, 102; MAT 114; ART 210; BIO 300; PEWS Activity Elective; any level Elective (3 hours)—Curriculum Model Year 2.
- B. Basic BSN Track
  - 1. NUR 302, 306, 308,309, 310, 318, 330, 408, 409, 418, 419, 421, 423, 425, 430, 440, and 499
  - 2. Upper level Elective—3 hours

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## **Course Offerings in Nursing (NUR)**

() Hours Credit: F-Fall; W-Winter; S-Spring; Su-Summer

An exploratory course for the student interested in the nursing profession. Students will be introduced to the broad scope of nursing roles, settings and specialities.

A study of arithmetic dosages and solutions and introduction to basic drug classifications and principles of pharmacology. Legal and ethical responsibilities of the

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## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, RN TO BSN TRACK**

The Union University School of Nursing offers its program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Basic BSN track and RN to BSN track). The RN to BSN track for Registered Nurses is offered on both the Jackson and Germantown Campuses. The E-campus track offers online nursing courses to enhance flexibility for adult study students. The program is approved by the Tennessee Board of Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. CCNE may be contacted at One Dupont Circle, NW Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120 or 202-887-6791.

For additional information, including direct con tact information to program personnel, check www.uu.edu/academics/son.

The School of Nursing encourages the educational mobility of registered nurses holding the associate degree or diploma B. NUR 306, 310, 330, 333, 410, 419, 430, 440—24 in nursing. All registered nurse students take NUR 333 upon entering the B.S.N. program. Upon successful completion of NUR 333, the student is awarded 37 hours of Nursing credit.

RN to BSN students are strongly encouraged to hold membership in the Tennessee Nurses Association (TNA). License Renewal

## **Program Admission**

An applicant must apply to the University and meet University admission requirements as well as:

- 1. Provide evidence of graduation from an accredited, Assessment of Majors state-approved School of Nursing and hold current R.N. licensure.
- 2. Make application to the RN-BSN Program.
- 3. Submit official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions. The required minimum GPA on all course work is 2.8.
- 4. Students will be charged for the school's group policy liability insurance when participating in a nursing course that requires a clinical experience.
- 5. Maintain current American Heart Association (AHA) CPR for Health Care Provider certification throughout the nursing program of study.
- 6. Fully complete a University Health History Form and qualifying the applicant for nursing education. Provide documentation of current immunizations, including tetanus booster within the past 10 years, an acceptable Hepatitis B titer and Rubella immunization. Documentation of a negative screen for tuberculosis (skin test or chest x-ray) within the past 12 months is required. This data should be submitted on the form supplied by School of Nursing.
- 7. The student must provide documentation of current individual health insurance when participating in a nursing course that requires a clinical experience.

## **Degree Requirements** Ţ

- A. General Core and transfer policies specific to Adult Studies are detailed in the "Adult Studies" section of the Catalogue.
- B. Must include MAT 114 as the Math requirement.
- C. The Speech requirement is considered met within the oral communication components of nursing clinicals
- D. Sciences must include BIO 300.



- A. Basic Nursing Education—37 hours held in escrow until successful completion of NUR 333
- C.NUR Upper Level Electives—6 hours

Registered Nurses may be admitted as non-degree seeking students to renew their Tennessee Nursing License. See the Department Chair for details.

Majors may be required to take the National League of Nursing (NLN), ATI, or other standardized nursing tests throughout the program of study.

## Credit by Testing

CLEP and DANTES credit by testing may be applicable to the student's program as detailed in the Advanced Placement section of the catalogue. CLEP and DANTES attempts can be made no later than six weeks prior to graduation. This deadline also applies to exams taken at other institutions that are to be applied toward graduation from Union. Registration for testing is limited; therefore, a Physical Examination Form signed by a practitioner students are encouraged to make plans and register for testing as early in their program of study as possible.

# **Course Offerings in Nursing** (NUR)

() Hours Credit

All descriptions are found in the basic program except the

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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING, TWELVE MONTH DEGREE COMPLETION TRACK

This track offers the BSN in an intensive 12-month option beginning each January and culminating with December graduation. It is offered on both the Jackson and Germantown campuses to students who have already proven academic success and maturity with the completion of 69 semester hours.

For additional information, including direct contact information to program personnel, check www.uu.edu/academics/son.

## **Degree Completion Track**

In addition to university admission requirements, the applicant must be 24 years of age or older upon enrollment and meet the following program-specific admission requirements:

- Make special application to the School of Nursing, BSN 12-month Degree Completion Track.
- 2. Provide official transcripts of all coursework attempted including those documenting the required prerequisite courses with a grade of C or higher.
- 3. A minimum ACT of 20 or equivalent SAT.
- 4. Have completed the Adult Studies Core Curriculum (See below).
- 5. Minimum cumulative 2.8 GPA and a 2.8 science

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