3-YEAR MAJOR - PREREQUISITE PLANNING SHEET
For students entering the 3-year major in Fall 2003, Twin Cities Campus

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The School of Nursing offers a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN). The curriculum consists of liberal education requirements, prerequisite and nursing coursework. The program covers Community/Public Health practice and acute care of patients from newborns to adults. A graduate of the program is eligible to take the national exam for licensure as a registered nurse (RN) and can be certified as a Public Health Nurse.

The program has a traditional format, with a full-time, day-school curriculum. The program utilizes various hospital and clinic sites throughout the metro area. Admission to the major occurs one time per year for a fall semester start and spans a 3-year time period.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:
Beginning in Fall 2003, the School of Nursing will be shifting its admission from a 2-year major to a 3-year major.

To implement this conversion, admission to the nursing major will be as follows:
- In Fall 2003, a class for the 2-year major (junior level admission) will be admitted
  *** Fall 2003 will be the last year students will be admitted for the 2-year major. ***
- Also in Fall 2003, a class for the new 3-year major (sophomore level admission) will be admitted.
- Beginning Fall 2004, admission will be exclusively for those students entering the 3-year major.

This Prerequisite Planning Sheet is for students planning on applying for the 3-year major.

Also starting in Fall 2003, the School of Nursing will be offering an early admission decision to 16 high-ability students entering the University as freshmen. This cohort will enroll in one of the University’s freshman admitting colleges and, providing that they maintain their excellent academic record and complete the required nursing prerequisites, will be granted automatic entry into the nursing major as sophomores.

APPLICATION PROCESS & DEADLINE

DEADLINE INFORMATION

The School of Nursing admits students one time per year for a fall semester start. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. The priority deadline is March 1 and the final deadline is June 1. Applicants who wish to receive full consideration must have all application materials submitted by March 1 (postmarks are not acceptable). Applications received between March 1 and June 1 will be reviewed on a space-available basis. Any applications received after June 1 will be considered late and will not be reviewed.

BSN APPLICATION PROCESS

All students applying to the nursing major need to complete 2 applications:

1) Submit a School of Nursing 2003 BSN Application and complete requirements listed. The BSN application can be downloaded from http://www.nursing.umn.edu or by contacting the School of Nursing Office of Student Services at: 612-624-4454 or via email at: nurseoss@umn.edu.
   - AND -

2) Application for Change of College form – OR – a University of Minnesota New Student Application:
   If you are currently a University of Minnesota student (on any campus) or a former University of Minnesota student (from any campus), fill out the Application for a Change of College form, which is available in any Student Services Office or http://www.onestop.umn.edu/registrar/majors. Turn it in to the address listed on the form by the School of Nursing application deadline.

   If you are new to the University of Minnesota, you must fill out a University of Minnesota New Student Application for your application to be complete. New Student Applications can be found online at http://admissions.tc.umn.edu/ or by calling the Office of Admissions at 612-625-2008. Turn it in to the Office of Admissions by the School of Nursing application deadline.
ADMISSION CRITERIA

Since seats in the class are limited, admission is competitive. Students applying for admission to the 3-year nursing major must meet the following requirements at the time of application to be eligible for consideration:

- Minimum of 6 nursing prerequisite courses completed or currently in progress at time of application, with a minimum grade of a “C” or equivalent in each course.
- All 7 prerequisite courses must be completed before the program starts in fall semester (see attached list).
- Minimum preferred High School GPA = 3.0 (on 4.0 scale)
- Minimum preferred ACT score = 19
- Minimum preferred SAT score = 900
- All University of Minnesota high school prep requirements completed

Students who have more than 40 college credits completed, must also meet the following criteria:
- Of the 6 nursing prerequisites courses, students MUST have the following courses completed at the time of application:
  - General Biology
  - General Chemistry
- Minimum preferred cumulative college GPA of 2.8 (on 4.0 scale)
- Profile State and Essay (see BSN Application for details)

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ROCHESTER CAMPUS

The nursing major is available on the Twin Cities campus and the Rochester campus. Prerequisites for the Rochester campus are different than for the Twin Cities campus, due to course availability at Rochester Community & Technical College (RCTC). Prerequisites for students interested in pursuing their BSN at University of Minnesota Rochester are: Freshman Writing; General Psychology; Sociology or Cultural Anthropology or Comparative Religions; Human Growth & Development; General Chemistry; General Biology; and Human Anatomy. A separate prerequisite planning sheet is available for RCTC students.

SCHEDULING

Care must be taken in scheduling courses as they may not be available every semester. Students should meet with their academic advisers to plan their schedules. The course schedule can be found at: http://onestop.umn.edu/ under “Students” and “Academics”. Courses are available through day school or College of Continuing Education (612-624-4000).

NON-NATIVE ENGLISH

A non-native applicant who has lived in the US less than 8 years at the time of enrollment in the School of Nursing must meet the ESL requirements at the time of application. The ESL requirements are: (1) Test of Spoken English (TSE) score of 50 AND (2) either a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) computerized test score of 240 (586) OR a Michigan English Language Assessment Battery (MELAB) score of 85. Test preparation is available in the Assessment and Achievement Center, 1901 University Ave, Room 210, (612-626-1055). Plan to register and prepare for the tests early, because they are not offered frequently.

LIBERAL EDUCATION

Liberal Education courses can be completed before coming to the nursing major or can be taken while in the Nursing major and over summer sessions. Liberal Education courses must be completed prior to graduation and are requirements of the University. Applicants with previous baccalaureate degrees are waived from the Liberal Education requirements.

HIGH SCHOOL REQ'S

High School requirements must be met prior to coming to the nursing major. Failure to meet these requirements can result in forfeiture of a student’s spot in the program. Applicants with previous baccalaureate degrees are waived from high school requirements.

AFTER ADMISSION

Upon admission notification, students are also expected to complete the following: (1) Obtain current First Aid and CPR Certification at the healthcare provider level; (2) Complete a Criminal Background Check form and receive clearance by the state in order to complete with the Vulnerable Adults Act: Stat 144.057; (3) receive a Health Examination; (4) Submit proof of immunizations and vaccinations detailed in the admission notification packet.
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Prerequisite requirements are listed below in bold, upper case lettering. Terms listed and prerequisite information may change without notice. Students are advised to confirm this information in the University of Minnesota class schedule.

**HOW TO USE THIS CHECKLIST:** To fulfill the prerequisite, complete one course in each category below that meets the minimum credits listed. Course numbers given are samples of courses given at the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities campus. Note: Courses marked with an asterisk "*" must not be older than 10 years prior to enrollment. General College (GC) courses are available only to those students who are in General College.

- **FRESHMAN WRITING (3 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - EngC 1011 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Indept Study; prereq = none
  - EngC 1012 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - EngC 1013 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - EngC 1014 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - Rhet 1101 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - GC 1421 & 1422 (6 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = GC 1421 for GC 1422

- **SOCIOPY OR CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY OR COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS (3 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - Soc 1001 (3 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - Anth 1003W (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Indept Study; prereq = none
  - Anth 1005W (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - GC 1211 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - GC 1285W (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none

- **GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY (3 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - Psy 1001 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Indept Study; prereq = none
  - GC 1281 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none

- **GENERAL CHEMISTRY* (3 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - Chem 1011 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Summer Session; prereq = HS chem., 2 yrs HS math, HS physics recommended
  - Chem 1021 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Summer Session; prereq = Chem 1011 or placement exam

- **GENERAL BIOLOGY* (4 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - Biol 1009** (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = HS chemistry, 1 term college chemistry recommended
  - Biol 1001 (4 cr) & 1002W (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq for Biol 1002W = Chem 1021, Biol 1001
  - GC 1131 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = none
  - **Preferred course

- **NUTRITION* (3 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - FScN 1112 (3 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Summer; prereq = HS Biol, HS Chem

- **ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY (3 sem cr min.); GRADE RECEIVED**
  - Psy 3604 (3 cr) offered Fall, Spring, Summer; prereq = General Psych

The following courses are not considered prerequisites, but can be taken prior to entry into the nursing major. The School of Nursing expects that Twin Cities students will complete Anatomy, Physiology, Microbiology and Human Growth & Development in the sophomore fall semester concurrently with nursing courses.

- **LIFE SPAN, GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT (3 sem cr min.)**
  - Nurs 3690 & 3691 (3 cr) offered through Indept Study only; prereq = 1 Psych course, 1 Biology course

- **HUMAN ANATOMY* (3 sem cr min.)**
  - InMd 3001 (3 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = Biology or equiv, soph

- **HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY* (3 sem cr min.)**
  - Phsl 1001 (3 cr) offered Fall; prereq = HS Chem, HS Biology
  - Phsl 3051 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = 1 yr college Biology, 1 yr college Chem

- **MICROBIOLOGY* (2 sem cr min.)**
  - MicB 4001 (2 cr) offered Fall; prereq = 4 cr Biol sci, 7 cr Chem (or #)
  - FScN 1021 (4 cr) offered Fall; prereq = none
  - MicB or VPB 2022 (2 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = Biol 1001 & 1002 or Biol 1009
  - MicB or VPB 2032 (4 cr) offered Fall, Spring; prereq = Biol 1001 & 1002, Chem 1011, Chem 1021, Chem 1022

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