


In a healthcare setting nurses assist in the treatment and recovery of patients, and work closely with other healthcare professionals, patients and their families to help manage injury and illness and improve overall health. Nurses work in a variety of environments—although you may frequently encounter nurses in a hospital setting there are many now working in homes, companies, as researchers in laboratories, the military, and parish nursing.

The traditional path to a nursing career is a four-year program leading to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and includes prerequisites followed by nursing-specific courses necessary for licensure. At the University of Dallas students are attracted to UD’s distinctive core curriculum, and also wish to learn about truth and virtue through study of the great ideas and works of Western civilization in addition to preparing for a nursing career. UD’s core curriculum combined with nursing prerequisites and practice-based education in nursing gives our graduates the opportunity to become successful liberally-educated nursing professionals. *At UD there are two options for pursuing a nursing degree:*

Option 1 UD-TWU Dual Degree Partnership	Option 2 Post Baccalaureate Nursing Programs																																							
<p>UD has a public-private partnership with Texas Woman’s University for a dual degree program in biology and nursing. TWU is one of the leading institutions for nursing education in Texas for both men and women, and graduates more healthcare professionals than any other Texas university.</p>	<p>Many schools of nursing now offer fast-track nursing degree programs for individuals <u>with an undergraduate degree in a field other than nursing</u>. Currently there are several such programs in Texas; most are Baccalaureate programs, while some are Master’s programs. These require at least 60 semester hours after the bachelor’s degree, and take between 12-24 months to complete after UD.</p>																																							
<p><u>Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three years of core and prerequisite courses on the UD campus with a GPA of 3.0. • ATI TEAS Exam, with a 64% or greater on each section (Reading, Math, English, Science) • Two years of nursing courses at TWU • Major in biology <p>A full five-year plan is shown on the back of this page.</p> <p>To meet with a TWU nursing advisor, visit www.NursingAdvising.twu.edu.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY</p> </div>	<p><u>Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPA of 3.0 or above (both cumulative and the science GPA). • Major in any field currently offered at UD. • Declare pre-nursing and be assigned a secondary advisor. • Some schools require the ATI TEAS exam for admission, while others require the HESI-A2 exam. <table border="1" data-bbox="782 1304 1497 1864"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">ADMISSION PREREQUISITES FOR TEXAS</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Course</th> <th>All schools require</th> <th>Some also require</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Anatomy w/lab</td> <td>4 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Physiology w/lab</td> <td>4 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Microbiology w/lab</td> <td>4 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nutrition</td> <td>3 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gen Chem w/lab</td> <td>4 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Statistics</td> <td>3 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>General Psychology</td> <td>3 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Human Dev Psych (Lifespan)</td> <td>3 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Texas Government</td> <td>3 credits</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sociology</td> <td></td> <td>3 credits</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Communication</td> <td></td> <td>3 credits</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	ADMISSION PREREQUISITES FOR TEXAS			Course	All schools require	Some also require	Anatomy w/lab	4 credits		Physiology w/lab	4 credits		Microbiology w/lab	4 credits		Nutrition	3 credits		Gen Chem w/lab	4 credits		Statistics	3 credits		General Psychology	3 credits		Human Dev Psych (Lifespan)	3 credits		Texas Government	3 credits		Sociology		3 credits	Communication		3 credits
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The right option for you depends on your interests, background, and the strength of your commitment to completing the requirements at the right time. To ensure you are on the right track the Pre-Health Advisors in the Biology Department are available to assist you in planning your future in nursing, so call them at 972-721-5107 to schedule an appointment

YEARS 1 THROUGH 3: UNIVERSITY OF DALLAS

In your first three years you will complete the core curriculum, biology requirements and the prerequisites for admission to TWU. We have listed some courses as “flexible”, as they can be completed alongside your regular semester courses or during summer/Interterm. Each semester you and your nursing advisor will track your GPA progress for your prerequisites. **A 3.0 or above is required in order to be considered by TWU.**

YEAR 1			
Fall	Cr	Spring	Cr
BIO 1311/1111 Gen Bio I/Lab	4	BIO 1312/1112 Gen Bio II/Lab	4
CHE 1303/1103 Gen Chem I/Lab	4	CHE 1304/1104 Gen Chem II/Lab	4
ENG 1301 Lit Trad I	3	ENG 1302 Lit Trad II	3
PHI-1301 Phil & Ethical Life	3	THE-1310 Under the Bible	3
*LANG 2311 Second Yr Language I	3	*LANG 2312 Second Yr Language II	3
<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>17</i>

YEAR 2			
Fall	Cr	Spring (Rome)	Cr
BIO 3327/3127 Microbiology/Lab	4	ENG 2311 Lit Trad III	3
CHE 3321/3121 Org Chem I/Lab	4	HIS 2301 Western Civ I	3
POL 1311 Principles of Am Politics	3	PHI 2323 The Human Person	3
PSY 2313 General Psychology	3	THE 2311 Western Theo Trad	3
HIS 2302 Western Civ II	3	ART 2311 Art & Arch/Rome	3
<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>15</i>

YEAR 3			
Fall	Cr	Spring	Cr
BIO 3323/3123 Anatomy	4	BIO 3331/3131 Physiology	4
PHY 2305/2105 Gen Phys I/Lab	4	PHY 2306/2106 Gen Phys II/Lab	4
MAT 2305 Intro to Statistics	3	ECO 1311 Fund of Economics	3
HIS 1311 Am Civ I	3	HIS 1312 Am Civ II	3
PHI 3311 Phil of Being	3	BIO (Organism to Population level)	4
<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>18</i>

Flexible (taken by Year 3 Spring)

Calculus I or Quantitative Literacy ¹	3 ¹	PSY 3329 Develop. Life Span ⁴	3 ⁴
Nutrition ²	3 ²	MCWS Multicultural Women’s Study ⁵	3 ⁵
Texas Government ³	3 ³		

¹Calculus accepted, or student may take MAT1332 Quantitative Literacy for TWU prerequisite.

²Nutrition is offered at UD as BIO4V43 and at Northlake as BIO1322.

³Texas Government offered at Northlake as GOV2306.

⁴Lifespan Development offered at Northlake as PSY2314.

⁵There are many options for your MCWS course—if **graduating UD by Year 4 MCWS is not required.**

*Please note this course schedule assumes the student will test out of the first year of their language.

YEARS 4 AND 5: TWU

To qualify for admission at TWU you must complete the following requirements by the application deadline. Deadlines are **February 1 for Fall admission** and **August 15 for Spring admission**.

1. Apply to TWU as a transfer student by completing the ApplyTexas application at least six weeks before your application deadline. Application information is available online through the [TWU Nursing website](#). Submit all official college transcripts and necessary documents to [TWU’s Office of Admissions Processing](#).
2. Take the ATI TEAS exam. You will need to score at least 64% on all sections of the exam (Reading, Math, English, and Science). Study guides are available from [www.ATITesting.com](#). Before taking the exam, be sure to review the [College of Nursing ATI TEAS policies](#).
3. Once admitted to TWU, submit the online [NursingCAS](#) application to upper-division nursing. The application opens three months before the application deadline and requires full coursework entry, official transcripts from each college attended, and an official TEAS score report. Start the application early to ensure that it is verified by the deadline.

YEAR 4			
Junior 1	Cr	Junior 2	Cr
NURS 3005 Concepts & Clinical Comp	5	NURS3025 Wmn’s Hlth&Family	5
NURS 3614 Nursing Assessment	4	NURS 3035 Adult Health Comp I	5
NURS 3813 Pharmacology	3	NURS 3612 Intro to Research	2
BIOL 4344 Pathophysiology	4	NURS 4602 Exp with Groups	2
		Nursing 4612 Aging Family	2
<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>16</i>

YEAR 5			
Senior 1	Cr	Senior 2	Cr
NURS 4045 Adult Health Comp II	5	NURS 4026 Critical Comp Integ	6
NURS 4055 Child Health Comp	5	NURS 4614 Comm Health Comp	4
NURS 4615 Mental Health Com	5	NURS 4803 Leadership & Mgmt	3
Nursing elective	2	Comprehensive Exam	
<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>13</i>

If you do not have 30 hours of UD advanced credits (3000-level or above) it is necessary to complete the requirements for both degrees in order to graduate, so you will attend commencement at UD and TWU in Year 5. If you have completed 30 advanced credits at UD you may finish your BA in Biology in Year 4.

After finishing the five year program you are qualified to sit for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nursing (RN-NCLEX).