

**Instructions to complete the Application
For Admission to the Summer Accelerated Program
Liberty University Department of Nursing**

1. Complete the Application for Admission.
2. Submit official transcripts of **all** college courses (including Liberty University, if enrolled and any dual enrollment classes taken in High School) with your current cumulative GPA **to the Nursing Department**. Academic requirements for admission to the Liberty University Nursing Program are as follows:
 - Cumulative college GPA of 3.25 or greater (at the time of application) and completion 55 credit hours applicable to the Nursing Degree Completion Plan (DCP) by the end of the spring semester to include the following:
 - Successful completion of BIOL 213/214 (Anatomy & Physiology- grade of "C" or better). Applicants will be tentatively accepted based on their first semester grades and enrollment in BIOL 215/216- Anatomy & Physiology, BIOL 203, CHEM 107, NURS 101, NURS 105, and NURS 115. Grades will be reviewed again at the end of the spring semester. **Final acceptance** will be based on successful completion (grade of "C" or better) in all prerequisite coursework and progression through Gate III.
 - Completion of PSYC 210 is highly recommended before enrollment in the accelerated Nursing program.
 - Signed acknowledgment of position on attached Tiered Admission grid.
 - A copy of your spring semester grade report must be sent to the Nursing Department immediately after posting to validate successful completion of spring semester courses. Failure to do so will result in the loss of position in the summer class.
 - Attach a short essay (less than 300 words) stating your reasons for desiring a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Liberty University.
 - Submit two recommendations; one of these should be from your anatomy professor (transfer students who cannot get references from former anatomy professors may get their reference from another lab science professor), and one from an employer or someone, not related to you, who can attest to your character.
 - A personal interview with members of the nursing faculty may be required.

DUE DATE: On or before February 15. Email questions: nursingadmissions@liberty.edu. If you are not accepted into the Summer Accelerated Program your application will be considered for the Fall Program.

TRANSFER STUDENTS:

- *If attempting to transfer in **nursing credits**, a letter of good standing from the previous institution must be included in the application.*
- *If you who have received grades below "C" in any nursing course at previous institution, you may not be considered for admission.*
- *You may complete NURS 101 and NURS 105 after transfer to Liberty if they are not available at the current institution.*
- *NURS 115 is a prerequisite and is available via Liberty Online. Contact Tara Miller at twmiller3@liberty.edu for further information. The online course is NURS 215.*
- *You must apply for and secure admission to the Liberty University residential program (not online) in order to be accepted into the LU Nursing Program.*

Tiered Admission Acknowledgement

I acknowledge that I have read the application requirements and admission guidelines.

I, (Printed name) _____ understand that I currently meet the criteria for
Tier (identify tier number) _____, based on the attached Four Tier Admissions Grid.

Tier position will be validated by the admission committee. The decision of the admissions committee is final with no appeal process.

Signature of applicant

Date

Summer Accelerated Program

Application Checklist

1. _____ Complete application and bring or mail all materials to:

Liberty University, Department of Nursing
1971 University Blvd.
Lynchburg, VA 24502-2269
ATTN: Jinny Laughlin (vnlaughlin@liberty.edu)

2. _____ Request transcripts for **all** college work (including from Liberty University) and have them sent to the address above. LU transcripts (only) may be requested through the Registrar's office, the Nursing Dept. no later than February 8. (Transcripts must list Spring 2012 classes.)

3. _____ Sign and submit acknowledgement of tier placement

4. _____ Write an essay and **include it with the application.**

5. _____ Submit the two recommendations, in sealed, signed envelopes, **with your application**

6. _____ Submit a copy of your 2nd semester grades to the Nursing Department immediately after grades are posted. (Liberty University students may copy and paste them from ASIST in an email to Mrs. Laughlin.)

Transfer students: In addition to the above, you must also:

- _____ Apply for and secure residential (not On Line) admission to Liberty University
- _____ If transferring nursing credits, send a letter of good standing from transferring institution to the address above.

Evaluation of Application:

Applications will be evaluated on a point system. The competitive applicant will have a cumulative college GPA above 3.5, a grade of "A" in both semesters of Anatomy and Physiology and excellent recommendations. Careful consideration will be given to the ideas, grammar, and presentation of the essay.

We consider it the student's responsibility to check with the Nursing Office to be sure the application is complete by the due date. The office number is 434 582-2114. **Incomplete applications will not be considered for admission to the program.**

In the past, students for whom English is a second language (ESL students) have had a higher failure rate when challenged by the summer program. In light of this issue, ESL students will be required to sign a waiver stating that they have been advised of the intensity of the program and the high failure rate.

As stated in the Student Nurse Handbook, acceptance to Liberty University **does not** guarantee admission to the Nursing major.

Date Received at L.U. _____

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY- DEPARTEMENT OF NURSING
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION-Summer Accelerated Program
Biographical Fact Sheet

Legal Name: _____
Last First Middle Maiden

Permanent (Home) Address. _____

City State Zip
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Home Phone Cell Phone Email Address

Country of Citizenship Country of Birth Primary Language (if other than English)

Significant other to be contacted in case of emergency:
Name _____ Relationship _____ Phone# _____

FERPA on file ___ no ___ yes Names on FERPA _____

Date of Birth ___/___/___ Gender: Male ___ Female ___

Marital Status: ___ Single ___ Separated ___ Married ___ Divorced

Ethnic Background (This information is voluntary and is used for statistical purposes only)
___ American Indian or Alaskan Native ___ Asian ___ White ___ Black or African-American
___ Hispanic or Latino ___ Other _____

Are you and LPN ___ yes ___ no Transfer Student ___ yes ___ no LU online student ___ yes ___ no

Number of credits applicable to the DCP I will have completed by end of spring semester _____

Please indicate completion of the following courses:

BIOL 213/214	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	Taken where? _____	Grade _____
BIOL 215/216	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	Taken where? _____	Grade _____
Chem 107	General Chemistry	Taken where? _____	Grade _____
NURS 101	Introduction to Nursing	Taken where? _____	Grade _____
NURS 105	Medical Terminology	Taken where? _____	Grade _____
NURS 115	Sciences in Nursing (PATHO)	Taken where? _____	Grade _____
BIOL 203	Introduction to Microbiology	Taken where? _____	Grade _____

Liberty University transcripts must be requested through the Registrar's Office or through the Nursing Department by February 9.

I am sending Transcripts from the following schools:

I have requested recommendations from _____ and _____

I HEREBY FORMALLY REQUEST ADMISSION TO THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING MAJOR AT LIBERTY UNIVERSTIY.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**LIBERTY UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
RECOMMENDATION BY ANATOMY PROFESSOR**

(Print) Student Name _____ Phone# _____ Email _____

has made an application to be admitted to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program at Liberty University. Recommendations from the anatomy professor who can attest to the student's ability to successfully complete the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program are required.

Please evaluate the applicant in the following areas according to the scale below:

5 _____ 4 _____ 3 _____ 2 _____ 1 _____

Excellent Above average Average Below Average Poor

		5	4	3	2	1
Appearance	Neat, well groomed					
Management	Plans and organizes work efficiently					
Judgment	Makes appropriate decisions based on available information					
Adaptability	Adapts to varying situations: maintains acceptable level of performance under pressure, resourceful					
Integrity	Trustworthy, honest, responsible					
Dependability	Conscientious, accurate, present and punctual					
Cooperation	Works well with subordinates, peers and those in authority					
Maturity	Assumes responsibility for personal behavior, recognizes own limitations					
Social ability	Socially poised, courteous, kind					
Attendance	Is present as required					
Initiative	Is able to act and make appropriate decisions with minimal guidance					

Number grade for Anatomy I _____

COMMENTS (continue on back, if needed):

Please return as soon as possible to this student in a sealed envelope with your signature across the flap.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Phone #

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF NURSING
Character Reference

(Print) Student Name _____ Phone# _____ Email _____
has made an application to be admitted to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program at Liberty University.
Recommendations from two individuals who can attest to the student's ability to successfully complete the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program are required.

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____
2. Your relationship to the student: _____
3. Please evaluate the applicant in the following areas according to the scale below:

5 _____ 4 _____ 3 _____ 2 _____ 1 _____
Excellent Above average Average Below Average Poor

		5	4	3	2	1
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Signature

Date

Print Name

Phone #

Four Tiered Admissions Grid – Summer Program

(For second degree students or those with two years or more of college credit)

Early admissions

- Students who have completed all previous residential coursework** at LU*
 - Completed all the prerequisite sciences at LU*
 - Have a cumulative college GPA*** of 3.5 or better (at the time of application), good essay and recommendations
 - Earned an A or B in BIOL 213/214 (and BIOL 215/216, if already completed)
 - 55 credits, completed or in progress, applicable to the Nursing Degree Completion Plan (DCP)
- Student will complete an application with early submission, due by January 15, for consideration/tentative acceptance confirmation on/about February 1 each year.
- ***Early admission guarantees acceptance through Gate 1 unless the total number of early admission applicants exceeds the available positions for the program.***

Tier One

- Students who have taken **some or all** residential course work at LU*
 - have cumulative college GPA*** of 3.25 or better (at the time of application) , good essay and recommendations
 - Earned a C or better in BIOL 213/214 (and BIOL 215/216, if already completed)
 - 55 credits, completed or in progress, applicable to the Nursing Degree Completion Plan (DCP)
- Student will complete an application and submit it on/before February 15th
- Admission opportunities include remaining positions after all from Early Admission are accepted

Tier Two

- Transfer students, **never** having taken any residential course work at LU
 - Have a cumulative college GPA*** of 3.25 or better (at the time of application), good essay and recommendations
 - Earned an A or B in BIOL 213/214 (and BIOL 215/216, if already completed)
 - 55 credits, completed or in progress, applicable to the Nursing Degree Completion Plan (DCP)
- Student will complete an application and submit it on/before February 15th
- Admission opportunities include remaining positions after all from Early Admission and Tier One are accepted

Tier Three

- Students who have a cumulative GPA between 3.0 and 3.25 (at the time of application)
 - Have taken at least **some** coursework residentially at LU*
 - Completed all the pre-requisite courses by the end of spring semester
 - 55 credits, completed or in progress, applicable to the Nursing Degree Completion Plan (DCP)
- Student will complete an application and submit it on/before February 15th
- Admission opportunities include remaining positions after all from Early Admission through Tier Two are accepted

* Refer to application for all prerequisite coursework, science requirements.

** “Previous college coursework” does not include dual enrollment – please specify this when applying

*** Cumulative college GPA combines the GPA’s from all colleges attended

- ***Position within tiers is based on cumulative GPA and date of application.***
- ***The decision of the admissions committee is final and without appeal.***

Admission Gate System

Gate I – Tentative acceptance. Requires completion of application packet (see application for listing of requirements) and evaluation by Admission & Progression Committee

- Passage occurs mid-spring semester, after spring break.
- Applicants on the waiting list may progress through Gate I after evaluation of spring grades.
- Applicants are notified by email of their progression.

Gate II – Submission of spring grades – due date: Immediately upon posting of application year

- Confirmation of acceptance requires successful completion of all prerequisite coursework with “C” or better.
- Grade submission may be unofficial – copy/paste from University grade page (ASIST for Liberty University students or similar source for transfer students) and emailed to Mrs. Laughlin at vnlaughlin@libertry.edu. Official transcripts from other institutions must still be supplied to the registrar’s office as well as to the Nursing Office.

Gate III – Completion of required clinical documentation is required for final acceptance into the program. Due date: Prior to beginning Summer classes of application year

- Set up an account with American Data Bank (ADB – contact information supplied in the acceptance packet)
- Initiate required Background Check via ADB
- Complete Immunization form online through ADB
- Supply supporting documentation to ADB via email or fax
- “Compliance” with ADB results when all requirements are complete. Any holds on this account must be cleared before full acceptance is extended. This is the student’s responsibility. Currently, only the third Hepatitis B vaccination is an acceptable hold. These should be cleared within the first semester in the program.

Final acceptance into the Liberty University Nursing program is not extended until the student has passed through all gates. Prospective students must meet set deadlines. Failure to meet deadlines will result in having the tentative acceptance rescinded. **Students who fail to progress through Gate III will not be allowed to attend any nursing classes, as they have not been fully accepted into the program.**