

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program

Prerequisite Checklist

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- ➔ **All prerequisite courses should be completed with a grade of B- or higher.** Nursing school admission is highly competitive; applicants should do their very best in these courses to demonstrate academic strength and mastery of foundational concepts.
- ➔ Prerequisites should be completed through a regionally accredited college or university. Courses may be taken in person or online.
- ➔ Contact admissions@bushnell.edu if you are uncertain whether a particular course will satisfy the prerequisite for the ABSN program.

Prerequisites: Science Core

These courses must have been completed within 7 years of the intended program start year.

Requirement	Notes
General Biology	This could be one or multiple courses, depending on the school. Must cover cell biology, molecular biology, and genetics.
Human Anatomy & Physiology series with lab sections	This is usually a 2-part series on a semester calendar or a 3-part series on a quarter calendar.
Microbiology with lab	

Additional Prerequisites

Nutrition and Human Growth & Development must have been completed within 10 years of the intended program start year. Electives courses have no age limit.

Requirement	
General Nutrition	Must cover digestion, absorption, and metabolism of nutrients. Sports/performance nutrition or dietary trends courses do not meet the requirement.
Human Growth & Development (or Developmental Psychology)	Must cover the full lifespan.
Minimum 1 elective course in physical, biological, or behavioral sciences or humanities	This requirement is usually met within a student's existing college course history. Qualifying subjects include sciences, psychology, philosophy, literature, history, language, religion, law, and others.