

Frequently Asked Questions

What types of nursing programs does Auburn Montgomery offer?

- BSN – Bachelors of Science in Nursing
- MSN – Masters of Science in Nursing – Primary Care Nurse Practitioner or Nurse Educator
- DNP – Doctor of Nursing Practice

How do I become a pre-nursing major at Auburn Montgomery?

Please note: the School of Nursing has a higher academic admission standard than the general university requirements.

1. Apply online for general university admission at www.aum.edu/apply
2. Meet one of the following qualifications:
 - No previous college credit: meet requirements for full university admission
 - With previous college credit: meet requirements for full university admission AND meet these GPA requirements on a 4.0 scale:
 - minimum 2.00 GPA with 15 – 29 hours of pre-nursing credit completed
 - minimum 2.50 GPA with 30 or more hours of pre-nursing credit completed

Once I'm admitted to AUM, am I accepted into the Nursing program?

No, nursing has a separate admission process with a higher academic standard than the general university requirements. Admission is based on GPA, successful completion of an interview, Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) score, math and science grades, and amount of AUM credit earned.

What GPA must I earn to apply to the upper division (Nursing)?

Your pre-nursing GPA calculated solely on our prerequisite courses must be at least a 2.50 (unadjusted and unrounded) to be eligible to apply to the upper division. Grade adjustments (“forgiveness”) are not considered; grades are counted *each time* a course is taken.

When do I apply to the upper division (Nursing)?

Students may apply when they:

- Have 22 or fewer remaining hours of pre-nursing course work to complete for Fall admission to upper division OR have 18 or fewer remaining hours of pre-nursing credit to complete for Spring admission
- Hold a minimum 2.50 (unadjusted and unrounded) pre-nursing GPA based solely on our prerequisite courses
- For Fall admission: Have successfully completed (grades of “C” or higher) of at least two (2) of the five (5) required lab science courses AND have at least one (1) of the five (5) required lab science courses in progress at the time of application
- For Spring admission: Have successfully completed (grades of “C” or higher) at least three (3) of the five (5) required lab sciences at the time of application
- Submit a Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) score (73 or higher preferred) **OR** a composite ACT score of 23 or higher

Please note: All lower division courses must be successfully completed (grades of “C” or above) **prior** to beginning upper division studies. **Transfer students must first achieve university admission in order to apply.** Please allow a **minimum** of **four** (4) weeks to complete this process. See the transfer question below.

What if I am attending (or have attended) another college and wish to transfer?

Transfer students should send copies of all transcripts to the academic advisor (address below) with a request for a transcript evaluation **as soon as possible**. Unofficial student copies or web transcripts are acceptable for this evaluation, but official copies must be sent from each school you have attended to the Auburn Montgomery Admissions Office (not to the School of Nursing) to achieve university admission.

Be sure to include your physical mailing address when you request an evaluation.

Auburn Montgomery School of Nursing
Attn: Academic Advisor
PO Box 244023
Montgomery, AL 36124-4023

Fax: 334-244-3243

Email: Kconner4@aum.edu or Kdailey2@aum.edu or Hadams@aum.edu

Please note: A student who has earned two (2) grades below a “C” in Anatomy and Physiology I or in Anatomy and Physiology II is not eligible to declare the pre-nursing major or to apply to the upper division of the nursing program at AUM.

Anatomy and Physiology I and II credit must be earned within 5 years of upper division entry, or a retake of one of the courses is required. (A&P II is recommended as the retaken course.)

How do I register for classes after I am admitted to the university?

All pre-nursing majors are **required** to attend a pre-nursing orientation session before registering for classes. These are held in conjunction with the required university new student orientation for new AUM students. These students should register online www.aum.edu/orientation. Current AUM students should email Mrs. Odom at lodom3@aum.edu for details on upcoming pre-nursing orientation sessions.

What is it like to be in Nursing School? How hard is it?

Nursing is not an easy major- students must have strong academic preparation and be extremely motivated and self-disciplined. Excellent reading, writing, and algebra skills are essential, as are critical thinking, analytical, and problem solving skills.

Upper division requires 35-40 hours per week for class and clinicals, most often during the day. In addition, a great deal of outside study/preparation time will be required. Time management skills are *essential* in this portion of the program.

Where can I find more information about AUM’s nursing program?

Please see our website www.conhs.aum.edu for much more information about our program!