



WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY School of Nursing

Accelerated Baccalaureate Nursing Program Option

The Accelerated Option in the Undergraduate Nursing Program prepares students to graduate with a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing degree. Graduates are eligible to take the national licensing exam and become registered nurses. They are prepared for entry-level profession nursing positions in all health care settings. This program also provides a foundation for graduate study in nursing. Accelerated option courses will begin in late May 2008 with a class of 30 students. Nursing students will progress through coursework at a faster rate than the traditional program to help increase the number of nurses in the healthcare industry.

Instruction is intense with courses offered full-time with few breaks between sessions. There will be evening and weekend class and clinical time. Students will receive the same number of clinical hours as their counterparts in the traditional program. The rigorous 15-month curriculum recognizes each person's past experiences and success and is geared toward students who are capable of undertaking this rigorous course load. Cost of the program will be \$20,000 for residents of Kansas and \$35,000 for out of state residents. The cost of the accelerated option is about double the traditional option.

Curriculum

This is a full-time, 15 month program which will begin every Summer Semester (mid-May) and end the following Summer Semester (mid-August). The students will follow the same curriculum as the traditional students. The final semester offers a five week long intensive clinical experience (capstone) which allows students the opportunity to further develop their professional leadership and clinical skills.

The Accelerated Nursing Program curriculum is uniquely structured for students who are:

- Goal-oriented
- Problem solvers and critical thinkers
- Capable of undertaking a rigorous academic load
- Have previous healthcare experience

The program is recommended for students who have senior standing (90+ credits) or have a previous bachelor's degree or higher.

Application Requirements

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Minimum passing scores on the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)
- Completion of ALL nursing prerequisites (grade of C or higher) and general education coursework PRIOR to entering the program in May including Nutrition and the upper level Ethics requirement.
- Admission to Wichita State University prior to the application deadline of February 1

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