

How to Apply

RN/BS-MN

Deadlines

Fall start:

Graduate School Application: February 1

Spring start:

Graduate School Application: October 1

Prerequisites

Applicants must hold a **Bachelor's Degree in Nursing** from an accredited program with a minimum grade point average of 3.00 (4.00 scale) to be considered for admission.

An upper level, undergraduate **statistics** course must be completed within the last 5 years with a minimum grade of "B" or better. See listing of approved statistics courses on the BS-MN program page at nursing.uwm.edu.

While prerequisites do not need to be completed to apply to the program, *they must be completed prior to the start of the program*. We strongly encourage you to consult with an advisor prior to applying to discuss your plan for meeting the requirements.

Application Process

To be considered for admission, all applicants must apply to the Graduate School's application system found at <http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/admission/>. Select the "Apply Now" button in the upper right corner, on the new page find College of Nursing on the left column. Then select Nursing, then select Nursing MN – RN/BS to MN.

- Complete online Graduate School Application and include the following materials:
- Pay a nonrefundable application fee.
- Upload unofficial transcripts from any and all schools attended, regardless of how long ago it may have been. Applicants will be required to submit official transcripts **after** an admission offer is accepted.
- Upload current professional resume.
- Submit the names and email addresses from three different people who are willing to submit a reference for you that are knowledgeable about your academic experience and potential for graduate study in nursing. Once the email addresses are submitted, the Graduate School will generate recommendations to your people.
- Upload Graduate Record Exam/GRE Results: Current GRE scores are required for applicants with an undergraduate degree below a 3.20 on a 4.0 scale, as calculated by the UW-Milwaukee Graduate School. Exceptions will be made for applicants with a master's degree who obtained a 3.20 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher GPA as calculated by UW-Milwaukee's Graduate School. Visit the GRE website for information and registration: www.gre.org
- For international students only, upload evidence of English Proficiency: The language of instruction at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is English. All international applicants must provide scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with some exceptions. Minimum test scores and exceptions are located on the Center for International Education/CIE website. <http://www4.uwm.edu/cie/futurestudents/69/> Email questions to: iss@uwm.edu
- Upload Personal Statement: Three to five pages, double-spaced, addressing the following:
 - Reasons for pursuing nursing as a career, specifically the CNL role
 - Strengths you will bring to the profession
 - Career goals
 - Description of leadership, work and volunteer experience
 - Life challenges or other information you would like the admissions committee to consider
- Upload copy of your current Wisconsin Nursing License, including license number.
- Upload Cover Sheet available on application in the Questionnaires Section.

Questions?

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