

# Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) APPLICATION

January 2012

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# PALM BEACH STATE COLLEGE

Nursing Program Office (561) 868-4115

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Location: TE 106

Web Site:

<http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/x15550.xml>

## Program Information

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:**

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree provides those registered nurses who have an Associate Degree in Nursing or a Diploma in nursing with an opportunity to advance their educational career goals. This program will enable the registered nurse to build upon the foundation acquired in taking previous nursing courses and through life experiences. The BSN prepared nurses will have the opportunity to strengthen their skills through collaboration with interdisciplinary teams to deliver a more comprehensive individualized evidence based care plan.

- Diploma nurses please see the director of the BSN program

**ADMISSION CRITERIA:** Limited Access program; 1) **Active unrestricted Florida RN License**, 2) GPA 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale, 3) all prerequisites must be completed, and 4) all general education requirements completed.

**PROGRAM BEGINS:** January 2012

**PROGRAM LENGTH:** 36 upper division semester credits

**PROGRAM SCHEDULE:** To be determined

### **WHAT ARE THE COSTS OF THE PROGRAM?**

Costs are approximate and subject to change. In-State student (Florida resident for 36 upper division credits): \$4091.04, Out of State student (Non-Florida resident): \$18,752.40. Special courses are an additional fee. Entire registration fees are **not** due upon acceptance into the program. Registration fees are due upon registration for each individual course.

### **BSN LOCATION:**

Lake Worth Location – 4200 Congress Avenue, Lake Worth, FL  
BSN office TE-106

**FINANCIAL AID:** is available and it is recommended that you apply early. You can apply online at

<http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/FinancialAid.xml>

### **WITHDRAWAL/PROGRAM DISMISSAL**

If the student withdraws from the first semester of the BSN Program, the student must reapply to the program through the applicant pool. Students previously dismissed from any Palm Beach State College Health Science program and who have exhausted the appeal process is not eligible to apply.

**Upon acceptance to the BSN Program attendance at orientation is mandatory. Date and time to be determined.**

## Requirements for Consideration for Selection

The following are **required** for eligibility in the selection pool. Meeting criteria for selection does not guarantee admission to the BSN program. Final selection will be based on the applicant pool. If a student is selected and does not enter the program, or is not selected, the student must reapply. Acceptance in any subsequent selection process is not guaranteed. PLEASE NOTE: All communication regarding your admissions status will be sent to your Palm Beach State student e-mail account.

**All documentation must be on file at the Palm Beach State College Admissions Office no later than the deadline date.**

### **APPLICATION**

**First-time Palm Beach State College Students:** Submit a completed Palm Beach State College general credit application at <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/AdmissionsApplications.xml> and pay the appropriate fee by the deadline date. This one-time fee is \$30 for U.S. citizens, \$75 (U.S. currency) for international students and is non-refundable. Be sure to insert your current and active e-mail address where requested; be specific regarding your program of study. Once submitted, a confirmation e-mail with conditions of admission will be sent to the e-mail address provided in the college application. Print the confirmation page and follow the instructions within. Applicants must also submit the program application contained in this packet and submit to the Admissions office.

**Current or former Palm Beach State College Students:** In addition to the Palm Beach State College general application, the applicant must also submit the BSN program application located on the Palm Beach State website. There is a \$20 non-refundable processing fee due with each BSN Program application. Submit a paid receipt for the processing fee along with a Palm Beach State College BSN Program Application to the Admissions Office.

### **COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS**

**Official college transcripts** (*transcripts are considered official if sent directly to Palm Beach State College from the previous institution or be hand delivered in a sealed envelope sealed by the issuing institution*) from **ALL** post-secondary institutions attended must be submitted. You may download the transcript request form from our website at <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/x3997.xml> . Commercial evaluation of out of country transcripts is required and must be sent from an approved evaluating institution directly to Palm Beach State College. Information for approved evaluators available at <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/x3997.xml> .

**Note: Credits earned by CLEP or AP require official scores to be sent to Palm Beach State College by the issuing agency. CLEP and AP scores will NOT be evaluated from previous college transcripts.**

### **GRAGE POINT AVERAGE**

Students must have an overall cumulative G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher to qualify for admissions into the BSN Program.

### **VALID AND UNRESTRICTED RN LICENSE**

All applicants must hold an Associate's Degree in Nursing from a regionally accredited institution and have a current Florida unrestricted license in nursing. Please submit a copy of your Nursing license along with your application to the College's Admission Office.

## **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

Except for students who have completed an Associate in Arts degree from a Florida Public Post- Secondary Institution, all general education requirements must be completed with a “C” or better by the application deadline. Please refer to the college catalog at [www.palmbeachstate.edu/catalog.xml](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/catalog.xml) for additional information .

### **LOWER DIVISION COMMON PREREQUISITE COURSES:**

The following courses must be completed with a “C” or better by the deadline date.

BSC2085	Anatomy & Physiology I	DEP2004	Human Growth & Development
BSC2085L	Anatomy & Physiology Lab	HUN1201	Nutrition
BSC2086	Anatomy & Physiology II	MCB2010	Microbiology
BSC2086L	Anatomy & Physiology Lab II	MCB2010L	Microbiology Lab
CHM1020	Principles of Chemistry	PSY2012	Introduction to Psychology
STA2023	Introduction to Statistics		

\*\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE : ALL COURSE RE -EVALUATION APPEALS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICATION DEADLINE.

### **ACCEPTANCE/REGISTRATION**

Applicants who are selected will be notified approximately two weeks after the deadline date. The acceptance notice will include registration information, allowing approximately one week for registration completion. If an applicant is selected and does not complete the registration process, the applicant must reapply and is not guaranteed acceptance in any subsequent selection process. The acceptance notice will include: (1) Registration information (2) Criminal Background Check – (Includes Social Security number verification). (3) Drug screen.

After admission, the above documentation must be on file with the BSN’s Program Office in TE 106. All students are conditionally accepted and will be required to obtain criminal background checks and drug screenings (at their own expense) prior to January 2012. Further information will be provided when admitted into the BSN Program. Failure to provide such documentation will result in termination of application.

## Applicant Point System for Selection

After all eligibility requirements for placement into the selection pool have been satisfied, the following point system will be utilized for selection into the program. In the event of a tie, a lottery selection system will be used.

1. Palm Beach State College Registered Nursing Graduate..... 1
2. Palm Beach County Resident (*determined by student's residency status with Admissions*).....1
3. Baccalaureate or higher (*issued by a regionally accredited institution*) .....1
4. Health Related Work Experience.....1

**Please Note: A letter from your employer on company letterhead stating your position and dates of employment must be submitted along with the application. Employment must be within the past three years for a minimum of three consecutive months.**

5. Nursing Core G.P.A. – Points given equal to the cumulative nursing core G.P.A.....2.5 - 4

**MAXIMUM POINTS POSSIBLE..... 8**



**12.** Are all lower division common pre-requisite courses completed with a grade of a “C” or better  Yes  No

**13.** Do you hold a active unrestricted Florida RN license?  Yes  
 No  
( Copy of license must be submitted with application)

**14.** Do you have an overall cumulative G.P.A. of a 2.50 or higher?  Yes  No

I understand that falsification or omission of any information may result in my dismissal or rejection from the College.

I have read and understand all of the instructions pertaining to the Bachelor of Nursing program as explained in the information packet.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

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