



## Nursing (BSN)

The nursing program is designed to prepare students to provide care that is sensitive to the unique health needs of individuals, families and communities. Evidence-based practice, theory, and professional values and standards combined with real world clinical experiences form the basis for this challenging undergraduate program.

### **Program Formats**

#### *Full-time BSN*

Brenau University offers a full-time BSN track in the day program. The 120 credit hour nursing program includes two years of pre-requisite coursework followed by two years of specialized study. Additionally, students learn the practice of nursing in a state-of-the-art simulation lab and in diverse clinical settings.

#### *Part-time BSN*

The part-time BSN track is offered on the evenings and weekends with two classes during the week and clinical experiences every other weekend. The ideal program for people with families or full-time employment (or both), the part-time BSN program lets you work while you earn your degree

#### *RN to BSN Online (AGS)\**

The RN to BSN is an on-line program in which the nursing major can be completed in three semesters. Students in the RN to BSN program must have a valid RN license as a registered nurse in Georgia or in the state in which the clinical experiences will be conducted. A copy of the current RN license will be maintained in the student's file. Students are strongly encouraged to complete all non-nursing requirements prior to registration in courses in the nursing major.

*\*Note: AGS indicates that the program is offered in an accelerated format.*

### **About Our Faculty**

The faculty in the School of Health Science combine a love of teaching with a wealth of firsthand experience in the subjects they teach. The faculty includes practicing nurses and occupational therapists, molecular biologists, scientists, psychologists, forensic specialists and veterinarians who choose to teach at Brenau because they love the interaction with students. Our faculty members are truly practitioner scholars.

### **General Application Instructions**

Thank you for your interest in Brenau University. To apply for admission, please complete the following steps:

1. Access the online application on the following webpage, [www.brenau.edu/apply](http://www.brenau.edu/apply).
2. Complete the online application **or** download the form and mail or fax to the Admissions Office:  
*Brenau University Office of Admissions, 500 Washington Street SE, Gainesville, GA 30501 | Fax: 770.538.4701*
3. Request Official Transcripts from all previous institutions and have them sent directly to the Admissions Office.

After we receive your application, your admissions specialist will contact you and guide you through the next steps in the process. If you have any questions, please call your admissions specialist.

### **Admission to the Undergraduate Nursing Program**

Admission to the undergraduate nursing program is a competitive, two-step process. Brenau University is committed to enrolling students who have both the desire and ability to be successful nurses. Brenau University gives preference for admission to currently enrolled Brenau students (Students must have completed 12+ hours of Brenau credit to receive preference).

1. Applicants who are not currently Brenau students must follow the general application instructions above, paying special attention to the deadlines listed. The sooner your application is received the sooner you will receive feedback from the institution. Because this is a multi-part process applying early is encouraged.
2. The Office of Admissions will determine if an applicant meets general admission requirements. Typically, an applicant should have a minimum 2.5 GPA, and be in good academic standing at the last institution attended to be granted general admission to the University.
3. If an applicant is offered general admission to the University, a Course Completion form will be sent to the student and a copy of the student's file will be forwarded to the Nursing Admissions and Progressions Committee (A&P Committee).
4. Once the Course Completion form is returned to the Nursing Department, the Nursing Admissions and Progressions Committee will review applications. Candidates will receive information about their required next steps.
  - ♦ If it is determined that the candidate has completed a sufficient amount of prerequisite courses and has a minimum GPA of 2.75 on all college coursework previously attempted, the candidate will take the Nursing Admissions Assessment and be evaluated for admission to the Nursing Program. Having a 2.75 GPA and a passing assessment score in of its self does not guarantee admission to the program.
  - ♦ If it is determined that the candidate has not completed a sufficient amount of prerequisite courses, the department will notify the candidate of which courses are still required. *Reminder: It is in the student's best interest to complete coursework at Brenau. Students with 12+ hours of completed Brenau credit receive preference*
  - ♦ If it is determined that a candidate's GPA will inhibit them from entering the Nursing Department, they will be advised of this and assisted in making arrangements to complete another major.
5. Wait List: Applicants, who, in the opinion of the committee, meet admission requirements but were not offered admission due to the competitive nature of the selection process, may be placed on a wait list. The committee will review the wait list and offer admission to applicants based on the overall quality of the application credentials on a rolling basis until the class is closed.

### **Important Application/Program Dates**

#### **Full-time Day Program (May Start)**

General Admissions Deadline ..... November 15  
Nursing Admissions Test Deadline..... November 15  
Nursing Application Deadline ..... November 15  
Nursing Offers of Admissions ..... Late December

#### **Part-time Evening & Weekend (January Start)**

General Admissions Deadline..... August 1  
Nursing Admissions Test Deadline ..... August 1  
Nursing Application Deadline ..... August 1  
Nursing Offers of Admissions ..... Late August

### **Tuition (2014-2015)**

#### **Full-time Day Program**

Tuition (Fall and Spring)..... \$13,310 per semester  
Tuition (Summer)..... \$890 per credit hour  
Room and Board (Fall and Spring) .. \$5,999 per semester  
Room/no Board (Summer) ..... \$500 per month  
Technology Fee..... \$175 per semester  
Safety and Security Fee ..... \$25 per semester

#### **Part-time Evening & Weekend Program**

Tuition..... \$616 per credit hour  
Technology Fee..... \$175 per semester  
Safety and Security Fee ..... \$25 per semester