

# DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

ROBERT E. SMITH  
SCHOOL OF NURSING

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## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING WEB-ENHANCED PROGRAM**

**Full-time Study - 5 semesters ■ Part-time Study Available**

Students applying to this program are not yet nurses. Graduates of this program are prepared to take the NCLEX-RN licensure exam and function as a registered nurse upon successful completion of the exam.

### **MISSION**

The mission of the Delta State University School of Nursing is to prepare students for professional nursing practice in a multicultural society as either a generalist at the Baccalaureate level or in an advanced practice role at the Master's level. The program will prepare graduates to pursue advanced study.

### **ACCREDITATION**

Delta State University School of Nursing is accredited by The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Information may be obtained from Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC, 20036-1120, Telephone: 202-887-8476.

### **ABOUT OUR PROGRAM**

The School of Nursing combines study in the liberal arts, life sciences and behavioral sciences with the study of nursing to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. The purposes of the School of Nursing are to prepare practitioners of nursing to meet the health care needs of the people of Mississippi and to provide a foundation in the study of nursing sufficient to support graduate study should the student elect to continue an education beyond the baccalaureate level. Students who receive the BSN from Delta State are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) for licensure as registered nurses (R.N.).

### **ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

*Delta State University is committed to a policy of equal employment and educational opportunity. Delta State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran status. This policy extends to all programs and activities supported by the University.*

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**APPLICATION PROCEDURE & ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR THE GENERIC BSN:**

***Qualified students are admitted to the school each Fall semester.  
Admission is competitive.***

1. Apply to Delta State University and meet admission requirements as outlined in the Delta State University Undergraduate Bulletin.
2. Complete **all** non-nursing (pre-requisite) support courses as outlined in the Delta State University Undergraduate Bulletin or in this brochure with a 2.5 or better GPA on a 4.0 scale.
3. Make a grade of "C" or better in all non-nursing support courses. Any course receiving a score less than a "C" may be repeated only once to remain competitive in admission selection process.
4. Complete a scheduled Admission Assessment exam with an acceptable score. This exam can be taken a limited number of times.
5. Submit the following information to the Robert E. Smith School of Nursing by March 1 prior to the first semester in which nursing courses begin.
  - A. Robert E. Smith School of Nursing Baccalaureate Program application.
  - B. American College Test (ACT) score.  
*Achieve an ACT composite score of 21 if taken after October 1989, and 18 if taken prior to October, 1989.*
  - C. Transcripts from all colleges and universities attended. A student entering the School of Nursing who wants to receive credit for prior nursing course(s) from another program must submit a request and credit be negotiated before admission to the Robert E. Smith School of Nursing and not after the student is enrolled.
  - D. Three current (<1 year) letters of professional/academic references (at least must be academic) using the Robert E. Smith School of Nursing forms and criteria.
  - E. Progress report of academic standing for any required courses in progress at date of application.
6. Prior to enrollment in the School of Nursing, students must comply with Mississippi Legislative statues and regulations regarding criminal background checks by having fingerprints taken at an approved health care agency (not a police or sheriff's department) and a criminal background check completed. Any cost of this requirement will be the student's responsibility.
7. After being accepted for admission, each student will be required to submit a completed health and immunization form provided by the School of Nursing, evidence of personal health insurance and Basic Life support (BLS) certification.

**NON-NURSING (PRE-REQUISITE) SUPPORT COURSES**

All non-nursing (pre-requisite) support courses must be passed with a "C" or better.

<b>COURSE</b>	<b>SEM. HRS.</b>
BIO 230 Anatomy and Physiology I with lab	4
BIO 231 Anatomy and Physiology II with lab	4
BIO 217 Microbiology with lab	4
CHE 101 Gen. Chem. (Lecture)	3
CHE 103 Gen. Chem. (Lab)	2
CIS 205 Microcomputer Applications	3
COM 101 Public Speaking	3
ENG 101 English Composition	3
ENG 102 English Composition	3
ENG 300/301, CAAP, PPST or GRE Analytic Score [MUST have a passing score as determined to meet requirements]	0-1
FCS 345 Nutrition	3
Fine Arts Elective ( <i>ART 101, 212, 401, 402; MUS 114, 115; THE 225</i> )	3
History Electives (100 or 200 level)	6
Human Dev./Behavioral Sci. Elective ( <i>PSY 307, PSY 313, PSY 403, FCS 326, CEL 300</i> )	3
Literature Electives	6
MAT 104 College Algebra	3
PSY 101 General Psychology	3
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	3
Perspective on Society ( <i>ANT 101, ECO 210, ECO 211, GEO 201, GEO 303, PHI 201, PSC 103, PSC 201</i> )	3
Statistics ( <i>MAT 300; PSY 331</i> )	3
BIO 100 Principles of Biology ( <i>Prerequisite for BIO 230, BIO 231, and BIO 217 at Delta State</i> )	4

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**BSN Full-Time Plan of Study**

<b>Junior I - Fall Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 302 Fundamentals of Client Care	3
NUR 332 Fundamentals of Client Care Practicum	3
NUR 303 Health Assessment	2.5
NUR 333 Health Assessment Practicum	.5
NUR 312 Basic Pathophysiology	3
<b>Junior 2 - Spring Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 305 Nursing the Adult Client I	4
NUR 335 Nursing the Adult Client I Practicum NUR	3
314 Health Policy & Ethical Decision Making NUR	2
304 Pharmacology	3
<b>Junior 3 - Fall Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 306 Nursing the Adult Client II	4
NUR 336 Nursing the Adult Client II Practicum	3
NUR 307 Mental Health/ Psychiatric Nursing	3
NUR 337 Mental Health/ Psych. Nursing Practicum	1
NUR 309 Nursing Research	3
<b>Senior 1 - Spring Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 401 Maternity Nursing	2.5
NUR 441 Maternity Nursing Practicum	1.5
NUR 403 Community Health Nursing	2.5
NUR 443 Community Health Nursing Practicum	1.5
NUR 405 Pediatric Nursing	2.5
NUR 445 Pediatric Nursing Practicum	1.5
<b>Senior 2 - Fall Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 402 Management of Client Care	2
NUR 442 Management of Client Care Practicum	3
NUR 406 Nursing Preceptorship	4
NUR 408 Nursing Synthesis	3

**BSN Part-Time Plan of Study**

<b>Junior - Fall Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 303 Health Assessment	2.5
NUR 333 Health Assessment Practicum	.5
NUR 312 Basic Pathophysiology	3
<b>Junior - Spring Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 304 Pharmacology	3
NUR 314 Health Policy & Ethical Decision Making	2
<b>Junior - Fall Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 302 Fundamentals of Client Care	3
NUR 332 Fundamentals of Client Care Practicum	3
<b>Junior - Spring Semester</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 305 Nursing the Adult Client I	4
NUR 335 Nursing the Adult Client I Practicum	3
<b>Junior - Fall Semester [Full-Time Schedule]</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 306 Nursing the Adult Client II	4
NUR 336 Nursing the Adult Client II Practicum	3
NUR 307 Mental Health/ Psychiatric Nursing	3
NUR 337 Mental Health/ Psych. Nursing Practicum	1
NUR 309 Nursing Research	3
<b>Senior 1 - Spring Semester [Full-Time schedule]</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 401 Maternity Nursing	2.5
NUR 441 Maternity Nursing Practicum	1.5
NUR 403 Community Health Nursing	2.5
NUR 443 Community Health Nursing Practicum	1.5
NUR 405 Pediatric Nursing	2.5
NUR 445 Pediatric Nursing Practicum	1.5
<b>Senior 2 - Fall Semester [Full-Time Schedule]</b>	<b>Sem. Hrs.</b>
NUR 402 Management of Client Care	2
NUR 442 Management of Client Care Practicum	3
NUR 406 Nursing Preceptorship	4
NUR 408 Nursing Synthesis	3

- Students are taught by nursing faculty or special guest lecturers.
- Fundamental Skills check-offs are face to face with a faculty member - providing immediate feedback and a personal learning environment for the student.
- All of our classrooms boast internet, LCD projector, DVD, VCR, PA system, wireless microphone, wireless mouse and wireless keyboard capabilities.
- Our Skills and Simulation Labs prepare students for the hands-on client care situations they will face in healthcare facilities. The Skills Lab includes a vast variety of mannequins, supplies and equipment - including mannequins with abdominal/heart/lung sounds, wounds and nursing care applicability.
- Our building boasts wireless internet capabilities and provides a friendly, comfortable, nonintimidating learning environment. Students are provided with a computer lab, printer, copier, student lounge (with refrigerator, microwave, and coffeepot) and access to a wide variety of textbooks, models, equipment and supplies for use with projects/reports/presentations.