Admission Policy for Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

Admission to the Nursing Program is contingent upon acceptance into the University and meeting School of Nursing (SoN) requirements. The student may declare nursing as a major at any level and may seek admission to the Nursing Program at the Langston campus, LU-Tulsa campus and the LU-Ardmore site, after completion of general education requirements. Admission requirements are as follows:

1. Only applicants who have been officially admitted to Langston University will be considered for admission to the SoN.

2. University classification as a junior (completion of 60 semester hours and satisfied freshman and sophomore requirements) with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.

3. No more than two (2) prerequisite courses can be repeated to earn grades of “C” or better. No prerequisite course may be repeated more than one time.

4. Admission is competitive and based on previous academic performance. First consideration will be given to those applicants who have not had to repeat any previous academic coursework.

5. Students with a cumulative grade point average of less than 2.5 but who have achieved a 2.5 or greater during the last 30 hours of coursework may be considered for admission on a conditional status. If a student is admitted on conditional status, the student will not be readmitted to the nursing program, if a grade of D, F, AW, or W is received in any nursing coursework.

6. ACT composite score of 15 or better.

7. A minimum of "C" (2.0 GPA or higher) is required in each of the following prerequisite courses prior to enrollment:
   English - Comp I & II, & Advanced Comp. (Technical Writing can replace Adv. Comp.)
   Math - College Algebra & Elementary Statistics
   Chemistry
   Sociology
   Psychology – General & Developmental
   Nutrition
   Biology
   Human Anatomy
   Human Physiology
   Microbiology
8. All applicants will be considered on the basis of merit and without regard to race, creed, age, nationality, or gender.

9. Application and all supporting documents must be submitted to the School of Nursing by **March 1st** for fall (Langston and Tulsa campuses) and by **October 1st** for spring entry (Tulsa and Ardmore campus/site). Applications received after this date may be reviewed on a space-available basis.

10. The School of Nursing has the right to deny admission to students who have been expelled, suspended, dismissed or denied readmission to another program.

11. A personal interview and/or personal references may be requested by the Admissions, Progression and Graduation Committee.

12. Students must complete the nursing program within three years of the initial enrollment. If a student has not been enrolled in the nursing program in the past two years, the student must apply for admission. If admitted, the student must enroll in the current curriculum.

13. Students are required to show evidence of current *American Heart Association CPR Basic Cardiovascular Life Support (BCLS)* for the healthcare provider certification prior to enrollment and maintain active status throughout enrollment in nursing courses. A student without evidence of BCLS will not be allowed to register for clinical courses. Failure to correct deficiency will result in dismissal from the program.

14. Students are required to show evidence of *State and National Background Investigation* prior to enrollment and maintaining active status throughout enrollment in nursing courses. A student without evidence of a national and/or state background clearance will not be allowed to register for clinical courses. Failure to correct deficiency will result in dismissal from the program.

15. In order to facilitate academic success, **Students whose first language is not English (secondary education outside the US and non-English speaking countries) must also submit the following documents:**
   - TOEFL or IELTS scores
     The minimum score requirements for TOEFL are:
     - 550 on the paper-based test
     - 213 on the computer-based test or
     - 80 on the internet-based test.
     The minimum score for the IELTS is:
     - 7.0
   - International Student Financial Guarantee - Part I and II
   - Passport copy
   - Transcripts and degree evaluation (list of approved agencies)
Students whose first language is not English and whose undergraduate (Bachelor’s) degree was not earned from an accredited college or university in the U.S. must submit official results of either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) directly from the corporation to LU (institution code: 6361) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS).

You may contact TOEFL for testing arrangements at:

**TOEFL**
P.O. Box 6151
Princeton, NJ 08541-6151
USA
Email: toefl@ets.org
Visit: www.ets.org and www.toefl.org

You may contact IELTS at:

**IELTS**
825 Colorado Boulevard, Suite 201
Los Angeles, CA 90041 USA
Phone 323.255.2771
Email ielts@ieltsintl.org
Visit: www.ielts.org/usa

Students whose TOEFL or IELTS score is too low are strongly encouraged to consider enrolling in LU’s Intensive English Program (IEP). This campus-based program is designed to develop language skills which will help facilitate academic success when the student leaves the IEP and proceeds to undergraduate work. For more information, please contact LU’s International Student Liaison, Doristina Moncriffe, 314 Sanford Hall, 405-466-3419, dmoncriffe@langston.edu.

**Admission Policy for Registered Nurses**

**RN-BSN**

RNs seeking a baccalaureate degree in nursing shall submit their application for admission to Langston University, transcript(s) and supporting documents.

RNs seeking a baccalaureate degree in nursing shall also provide evidence of the following:

1. Admission to Langston University.
2. Graduate of an accredited nursing program.
3. Must provide evidence of current licensure as a registered nurse with a multiple-state license or evidence of license in the state of Oklahoma.
4. Completion of one year of satisfactory work experience as a registered nurse, in a clinical setting.
5. Completed all prerequisites for the course for which advanced standing is being sought.
6. Grades of “C” or better in all prerequisite courses
7. Admission to the Langston University School of Nursing.
8. Documentation of professional accomplishments through a curriculum vitae which includes the following:
   - Documentation of previous and current employment in nursing
- Descriptions of current certifications
- Identification of career goals

Students accepted to the RN to BSN program may receive credit for 30 hours of nursing coursework based on the review of official transcripts. Thirty of the total credit hours for the BSN degree must be completed at Langston University and 60 of the total number of credit hours must be earned at a senior institution. A total of 124 hours are required to complete the baccalaureate degree.

The RN-BSN students can complete the BSN degree in 9-12 months.

Admission Policy for Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN)

Requirements for the National League for Nursing Acceleration Challenge Examination (NACE) Advanced Placement Exam (APE) for LPN to BSN students:

1. Graduate of an accredited practical nursing program
2. Current Oklahoma license as an LPN
3. Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above
4. No prerequisite course may be repeated more than one time. No more than two prerequisite courses may be repeated.
5. Grades of “C” or better in all prerequisite courses
6. Documentation of active clinical practice as an LPN for the past twelve months.
7. Complete nursing courses in the required sequence.
8. Prerequisites for the course for which Advance Placement Examinations (APE) is requested must be met prior to testing.
9. APE Advisement

An advisement session with a faculty advisor is required for all students interested in APE. The student must provide documentation of all testing and academic work for APE for the academic file. Following advisement, the eligible student will be given permission by the dean and/or director to proceed with testing, etc. Students who do not come for advisement will not progress in the program.

The student is responsible for:
   a. Meeting with the advisor to schedule testing, and,
   b. Confirming the appointment with the contact person for APE testing prior to the beginning of the semester. Students may have only one failure in the testing process.
Licensed Practical Nurses who have been admitted to Langston University School of Nursing may be awarded advanced standing by the successful completion of APE in the following selected courses.

Qualified LPN students will take APE in the following courses:

- NR 3435 Psychosocial Nursing 5 credits
- NR 3445 Childbearing Nursing 5 credits
- NR 4325 Childrearing Nursing 5 credits

11. APE TEST SCORES
- Standardized test scores must be at or above the designated level set by the School of Nursing.

12. FAILURE OF TESTING
Failure of any component of the evaluation process results in failure of the APE option. At that point, the student may enroll as a generic student to complete the degree.