

The University of Alabama at Birmingham

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Spring 2025 Cohort

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BSN Student Checklist – SPRING 2025

USE THIS CHECKLIST TO KEEP TRACK OF ITEMS THAT REQUIRE YOUR ATTENTION

BSN Program Admission
Complete and sign the BSN Acceptance Form by October 28, 2024, at noon CST .
Download and read the Spring 2025 BSN Online Admissions Packet (this packet!)
Required Events
Participate in the Spring 2025 BSN Information Session, Thursday, November 14, 2024, 12:30pm to 5pm CST.
This is a required event.
Requests for a participation exception must be emailed to Ms. Crimsynn Dover (informational meeting, 8am –
noon) by November 4, 2024.
Participate in the mandatory BSN Orientation on January 8-10, 2025, 8:00am to 4:00pm CST. Additional
information about orientation will be provided as soon as it is available.
Trainings & Medical Clearance
Begin locating your immunization records immediately. This online packet explains the immunization records
required to comply with Level 3 immunizations for clinical students (including the required health history form
and immunization form). All immunization records must be uploaded into the UAB Student Health and
Wellness patient portal.
Complete a School of Nursing acceptable CPR Certification by January 8, 2025.
Complete the Background Check and Drug Screen when instructed to do so by email.
Complete your OSHA training when instructed to do so in this packet.
Complete your HIPAA training when instructed to do so in this packet.
Equipment & Uniforms
Order uniforms from Read's Uniforms. Your assigned date to try on uniforms is included in this packet.
Order additional required equipment (Stethoscope, Lab Kit).
Holds & Registration
Resolve all financial, administrative, or academic holds. You cannot register for spring nursing classes until all
your holds have been resolved.
Register for Spring 2025 courses. The included Program of Study lists the classes you will register for each
semester of nursing school. You do not need to worry about class times. These are not visible online. Your
directors will provide times to you before each term.
You will register yourself in nursing courses for spring semester after you participate in the BSN Information
Session and resolve all School of Nursing holds on your account. A registration guide is included in this packet.
Send final official transcripts to the UAB Office of Admissions by Monday, December 30, 2024. Please do not
send official transcripts to the School of Nursing. If you expect any delay in the arrival of your transcripts,
contact Crimsynn Dover at <u>cdover@uab.edu</u> .
Miscellaneous
Transfer students new to UAB this semester (without a bachelor's degree) must complete a UAB Transfer
Orientation. <u>https://www.uab.edu/admissions/orientation/transfer-non-traditional</u>
Use the included additional resources guide to get student parking, your UAB One Card, on-campus or off-
campus housing.
Use the included additional resources guide to inquire about financial aid and scholarships, including UAB
School of Nursing scholarships. The SON scholarship application is due Friday, November 1, 2024.
Complete the Approved School Activity Form if applicable (for school-sponsored events - band, athletics, etc.).



Immunization Requirements

BSN Program

Before you register in nursing courses for spring semester, you must upload a number of medical records in the UAB Student Health and Wellness Patient Portal. Students can access the Patient Portal from the right-side navigation on their BlazerNet homepage.

Please begin locating your medical records immediately to help determine if you need to initiate immunizations to comply with our program requirements. Some immunizations take time to complete. Any instance of an incomplete immunization prior to school starting may prohibit you from attending clinicals.

BSN students are required to satisfy the Level 3 Immunization requirements for clinical students.

https://www.uab.edu/students/health/medical-clearance/immunizations/level-3

All immunization records and forms must be uploaded in the Patient Portal on the UAB Student Health and Wellness website. If you have questions about what documentation is required, please submit your questions to the UAB Student Health and Wellness Office while you are logged into their Patient Portal.

The following four pages include the Student Health and Wellness Health History Form and the Student Health and Wellness Immunization Form for clinical students that must be completed by your health care provider during your physical.

UAB Student Health and Wellness <i>Health History Form</i> Learning Resource Center 1714 9 th Avenue South, 3 rd Floor Birmingham, Alabama 35294-1270 (205) 934-3580								
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Secondary emergency c	ontact: Telephone number: Relation	snip:						
	Personal Health History							
	Medical Conditions							
	ries, asthma, diabetes, ADHD, injuries, hospitalizations, etc.							
Name	Description	Year						
	Medications							
Please list prescription	on, non-prescription, vitamins, birth control, etc.							
Name	Description	Dosage						
	Food/Medicine Allergies							

Please list penicillin, codeine, insect bites, antibiotics, specific food or chemical, etc.

Family & Personal Health History (to be completed by the student)

Has any person, related by blood, had any of the following?

Yes	No		Relationship
		High Blood Pressure	
Stroke		Stroke	
		Cancer	
		Heart attack before age 55	
		Diabetes	
		Glaucoma	

	Yes	No		Relationship
			Cholesterol or blood fat disorder	
Blood clottin			Blood clotting disorder	
			Psychiatric	
			Suicide	
			Alcohol/drug problems	

N	o Symptom	Year	Yes	No	Symptom	Yea
	High Blood Pressure				Mononucleosis	
	Rheumatic fever				Hay fever	
	Heart trouble				Head/neck radiation	
	Pain/pressure in chest				Arthritis	
	Shortness of breath				Concussion	
	Asthma				Frequent/severe headache	
	Pneumonia				Dizziness/fainting spells	
	Chronic cough				Severe head injury	
	Tuberculosis				Paralysis	
	Tumor/cancer (specify)				Epilepsy/seizures	
	Malaria				Blood transfusion	
	Thyroid trouble				Protein in blood or urine	
	Serious skin disease				Ulcer (duodenal/stomach)	
	Hearing loss				Intestinal trouble	
	Sexually transmitted disease				Pilonidal cyst	
	Severe menstrual cramps				Allergy injection therapy	
	Irregular periods				Back injury	
	Frequent vomiting				Broken bones	
	Gall bladder or gallstones				Kidney infection	
	Jaundice or Hepatitis				Bladder infection	
	Rectal disease				Kidney stone	
	Severe/recurrent abdominal pain				Mental Health History	
	Sinusitis				Sleep problems	
	Hernia				Self-injurious Behavior	
	Chicken pox				Depression/bipolar	
	Anemia/Sickle Cell Anemia				Anxiety/panic	
	Eye trouble besides glasses				LD/ADD/ADHD	
	Bone, joint, other deformity				Eating Disorder	
	Shoulder dislocation				Obsessive compulsive	
	Knee problems				Self-induced vomiting	
	Recurrent back pain				Substance Use History	•
	Neck injury				Alcohol/drug problem	
	Diabetes				Smoke 1+ pack cigs/week	

UAB SH&W PHYSICAL EXAMINATION (*Please print in black ink*) To be completed and **signed** by physician or clinician. A physical examination is required for all clinical students within 1 year prior to matriculation.

You may schedule a physical exam at Student Health & Wellness if you do not have a physician. Schedule an appointment through your patient portal or call 205-934-3580 and ask our receptionist for details.

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UAB Student Health & Wellness Immunization Form

Clinical Students

NAME:	DATE OF BIRTH: (mm/dd/yyyy):	
ADDRESS:	PHONE:	
PROGRAM OF STUDY:	BLAZERID:	@UAB.EDU

IMMUNIZATION HISTORY MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER

*Copies of your original immunization records are acceptable in place of this form. Please submit completed form or immunization records directly to your UAB SH&W Patient Portal. FORMAT mm/dd/yyyy

1. MMR- Measles, Mumps, and Rubella: All students must satisfy this requirement, either by two vaccine doses against each of the three diseases or laboratory evidence of immunity to all three diseases. First dose must have been received no sooner than one year after birth.

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Mumps		Date: _		/	/	Date:	/	/
Rubella		Date:		/	_/	Date:	/	/
	0	R						
Laboratory evidence of immunity to all three diseases:								
Measles	Date:	/		_/	Po	sitive:	Negat	ive:
Mumps	Date:	/		_/	Po	sitive:	Negat	ive:
Rubella	Date:	/	,	/	Ро	sitive:	Negat	ive:

*If any laboratory titers are non-immune, 2 repeat vaccines are required. Date: ____/ ___ Date: ____/ ____

2. **Tdap**- Tetanus, Diphtheria, Acellular Pertussis: All students must have had one dose of the adult Tdap given 2006 or later. If the last adult Tdap is greater than 10 years old, a Td booster is required.

Tdap Date: ____/___/____ Td Date: ____/____/____

3. Hepatitis B Series: All students must have a series of three Hepatitis B vaccinations (initial dose, dose two at 1 month, dose three at 6 months). A post-vaccine surface antibody titer (to demonstrate immunity) is required one month after 3rd vaccine dose.

Dose 1 Date://	Dose 2 Date:	//	Dose 3 Date:			
Hep B surface antibody titer:	Reactive:	Non-Reactive:	[Date:	/	/

*If Hep B surface antibody is non-react	ive, repeat series	and post-vaccine s	surface antibody t	iter are r	equired.	
Dose 1 Date:///	Dose 2 Date:	//	Dose 3 Date:	/	_/	
Hep B surface antibody titer:	Reactive:	Non-Reactive:		Date:	/	/

*If repeat Hep B surface antibody is non-reactive, Hep B surface antigen is required to rule out acute or chronic Hep B infection. Hep B surface antigen titer: Positive: _____ Negative: _____ Date: ____/____

**If Hep B surface antigen is positive, visit with SH&W provider is required for additional testing. If negative, student will be considered a non-responder.

4. Varicella (chickenpox or shingles): All students must have documented history of Varicella, a positive Varicella antibody titer, or two doses of Varicella vaccines given at least 28 days apart. First dose must have been received no sooner than one year after birth.

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	History of Varicella (chickenpox or shingles):	Yes: No:	Date	/	/
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	Varicella antibody titer				
	Varicella vaccination Dose 1://	OR Dose 2://	, 		
	*If Varicella antibody titer is negative or equive Varicella vaccination Dose 1:///////	-			
5.	Meningococcal ACWY: All students 21 and you on/after their 16 th birthday. Students age 22 and		-	-	ccine given /
6.	Tuberculosis : All clinical students must meet U Statement and Tb testing. If no history of posit matriculation. Skin tests must be placed at leas	tive Tb skin test, two separate sk			
	*ALL TB TESTING (skin t	tests or blood tests) MUST BE PE	RFORMED IN THE U.S.	<u>.</u>	
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	a. Tuberculin Skin Test (PPD) within 12 r	months prior to matriculation:			
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CPR Certification

BSN Program

The UAB School of Nursing requires all students admitted to the BSN program for Spring 2025 to be CPR certified by **January 8**, **2025**.

The only CPR certification that will be accepted is the AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION Heartcode®BLS Online.

We recommend you earn your CPR certification as soon as possible. We encourage you to check and see if the American Heart Association is offering BLS for Health Care Providers in your area. UAB School of Nursing will also be offering certification opportunities.

If you choose to take an online American Heart Association BLS for Healthcare Providers CPR Course, you must complete <u>both</u> components that make up certification: (1) the online portion and (2) the hands-on skills portion.

Part 1: How to register for the online course

- 1. Go to https://shopcpr.heart.org/heartcode-bls.
- 2. This screen shows Heartcode®BLS ONLINE (Price: \$36)
- 3. Under "Audience" the description reads: "This course is designed for healthcare professionals and other personnel who need to know how to perform CPR and other basic cardiovascular life support skills in a wide variety of in hospital and prehospital settings"
- 4. Please enter an accurate email.
- 5. The system will guide you through the registration process and through completing the online course to receive your certificate.

Part 2: How to register for the hands-on skills session

TURN TO PAGE 14 TO REGISTER FOR UAB SCHOOL OF NURSING'S SKILLS SESSION or

follow the instructions below to find an in-person skills session near you.

A separate psychomotor skills assessment using voice assisted manikins with real-time audio and visual feedback OR a skills assessment with an AHA Instructor is required to earn a valid AHA BLS Provider eCard that is valid for two years.

1. Go to <u>https://atlas.heart.org/home.</u>



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- 2. Enter your location (or zip code) in the search box "Provide your Location" and click "Find a Class". This will show a list of courses.
- 3. To filter to the correct <u>BLS Provider</u> training that pairs with your online learning session (part 1):
 - a. Click the checkbox beside "BLS" under "Courses" to the left.
 - i. Click the drop down arrow beside BLS and make sure only BLS Provider is checked.
 - b. Click "Blended Learning" under "Class Format". (THIS IS IMPORTANT)
 - c. *Distance and Class Date at the top of the screen may need to be adjusted to find an available class.
 - d. You can enroll from this screen. Location contact information is provided if you have questions.

Upon completion of the exam and skills check off, you will receive a BLS card sent to the email address you provided. This proof of CPR certification (electronic card example below) must be emailed to Ms. Pat Little, at plittle2@uab.edu, by January 8, 2025.

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT BASIC LIFE SUPPORT BLS American Training TC Name Heart **Center Name** Provider Association Training Training Center ID # Name Center ID Training Center The above individual has successfully completed the cognitive and skills **TC Address** evaluations in accordance with the curriculum of the American Heart Adress Association Basic Life Support (CPR and AED) Program TC Phone Training Center Phone # Instructor Issue Date Recommended Renewal Date Instructor Name Name 06/17/2017 06/2019 Sample Instructor ID # To view or verify authenticity, students and employers should scan this QR code with their mobile device or go to www.heart.org/cpr/mycards. Instructor ID © 2016 American Heart Association 15-3001 3/16

Please save your electronic card (eCard) so you will always have it available.

If you took an AHA class, you can look up your e-card at the link below: https://ecards.heart.org/student/myecards?pid=ahaecard.employerStudentSearch



Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Provider Class Fall/Winter 2024-25

Welcome to HeartCode[®] BLS!

The HeartCode[®] BLS Course has **two components: An online portion and an instructor-led classroom portion**. You must complete the online portion first.

- 1. 1st complete an AHA sponsored online module (\$34.00) includes an exam.
- 2. 2nd perform your skills checkoff (\$35) at the UAB SON.

Skills session will be held at the School of Nursing

<u>September 12th, 1-3 pm</u> <u>October 14th, 1-3 pm</u> <u>November 15th, 10 am - 12pm</u> <u>December 6th, 9 - 11 am</u> <u>January 7th, 9-11 am</u>

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ CAREFULLY AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS!

Part 1: How to register for the BLS Online course:

- 1. Go to <u>https://shopcpr.heart.org/heartcode-bls</u>
- 2. This screen shows Heartcode® BLS ONLINE
- The description: "This program is designed for healthcare professionals who need Basic Life Support training for their clinical duties. HeartCode[®] BLS Online consists of a cognitive portion that is completed online". COST \$34.00. PLEASE ENTER AN ACCURATE EMAIL.
- 4. The system will guide you through the process in completing the course online receiving a certificate.

Part 2: How to register for the BLS Hands-on session/Skills checkoff held at the UAB SON.

1. Register at:

https://secure.touchnet.com/C21564_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=145&SINGLESTORE=true

- 2. Select one of the sessions to register for. Cost is \$35 and space is limited. PLEASE NOTE THE DATE and TIME you selected!
- 3. You MUST present your online course completion certificate PRIOR to skills checkoff. If you do not have your certificate of completion, you will not be able to complete the skills practice and testing of the course. This is required by AHA and there are no exceptions.
- 4. Allow at least 1 hour for the checkoff session. Please arrive on time.

AFTER COMPLETION OF PARTS 1 and 2:

- 1. You will receive your BLS card within 72 hours to the email address you provided. If you are a nursing student, you must SEND A COPY to Pat Little <u>plittle2@uab.edu</u>, within the Office of Student Success for your student records. You are responsible for making sure this is completed. Everyone must check their email for the eCard including spam and junk email.
- 2. Please save your Electronic Card (eCard) so you will always have it available. Replacement cards are \$20. Email <u>ahason@uab.edu</u> for a replacement card.

Plan to wear loose, comfortable clothing. You will be practicing skills that require working on your hands and knees, bending, standing, and lifting. The instructor will work to accommodate your needs within the stated course completion requirements. *****No refunds will be offered**, only makeups for extenuating circumstances. Please contact <u>ahason@uab.edu</u> for questions or problems.



Drug Screen & Background Check

BSN Program

All BSN students in the School of Nursing are required to consent to and pay for a criminal background check and urine drug screening at least once per year.

You will receive an email (**sent to your UAB.EDU email address**) requesting you to complete a background check. The email will come from UABSchoolofNursingBSNBasic@screening.services, DISA Global Solutions Inc.. The cost of the background check is currently \$92.

Approximately 24 hours after you order and pay for your background check, you will receive an email from OTSWEBAPP@Labcorp.com, LabCorp. This email will contain your registration number to complete your drug screening.

The deadline to complete both the background check and the drug screening is 10 business days from the date of the first background check email you are sent, unless you are notified of a change in the deadline. It is recommended that you order and pay for your background check within 3 days of receiving the email from UABSchoolofNursingBSNBasic@screening.services.

Please remember your UAB email account is one of the official forms of communication for UAB. If your UAB email account is forwarded to another email account, please be aware that important emails may be filtered into your junk, spam, or other folder. You are responsible for checking your UAB email. Any correspondence missed because you forwarded your UAB email to a different email account (Yahoo, Gmail, etc.) will not excuse you from complying with these requirements.

During this process, either DISA or LABCORP may attempt to reach out to you by phone. Please answer all calls until this process is complete, as the testing centers may need additional information from you and will not leave a message due to privacy concerns.

Please Note: Missing these important deadlines may jeopardize your seat in the program. The School of Nursing may rescind your admission offer for BSN study if you fail to comply with these requirements. Please be diligent and complete the background check and drug screening requirements in a timely fashion.

In addition, the email with results will come from <u>DISAGlobalSolutionsInc@screening.services</u>. Please let us know if you have any additional questions.

Staffing and supply shortages have increased the wait time on the return of your background check/drug screen results to UAB Nursing Student Success. The hold on your account will be removed as soon as we have clearance from GHRR. Please know that there is a seat available for you to register in your spring classes. We request your continued patience and understanding in this process.



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Bloodborne Pathogens, Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)

BSN Program

<u>Do not attempt to complete this requirement until after November 1</u>. Completing this requirement sooner will cause a delay in removing your hold.

This training is an annual requirement.

New UAB Students

Do not go directly into CAMPUS LEARNING, use the link provided

To access and enroll in the training, go to:

https://uab.docebosaas.com/lms/index.php?r=course/deeplink&course_id=153&generated_by=151665&h ash=c521d66fdfc107127e15b8255bd9640cb1465247

- Click on LOGIN WITH BLAZERID
- Log in using your BlazerID/Username and password
- Click on Bloodborne Pathogens Course
- You will need to click on and go through *Course Material, Reality Check, Course Assessment and Course Evaluation*
- You can see your certificate in the Campus Learning System by going to "My Activities" located on the homepage; however, https://www.uab.edu/learninglocker is the repository for full training history. Courses completed within the campus learning system will be logged into the Learning Locker within 1 business day

<u>Returning & Current UAB School of Nursing Students (1 year or older)</u> Certification and Retraining

- Log in to Campus Learning https://uab.docebosaas.com/learn
- Click on LOGIN WITH BLAZERID
- Log in using your BlazerID and password
- From the landing page-upper right side-you will choose <u>MY ACTIVITIES</u> from the profile section
- Under "My Activities" you will choose <u>Certification</u> this will take you to the 'Certification and Retraining' page
- Click on <u>RENEW NOW</u> this will direct you to the course that requires re-certification.
- You will need to click on and go through *Course Material, Reality Check, Course Assessment and Course Evaluation*
- You can see your certificate in the Campus Learning System by going to "My Activities" located on the homepage; however, https://www.uab.edu/learninglocker is the repository for full training history. Courses completed within the campus learning system will be logged into the Learning Locker within 1 business day

The School of Nursing will receive notice of successful completion of your training. Once you

complete the training you should expect ~5 business days before your hold is removed.

If you are having problems accessing Campus Learning or accessing your course or certificate, please email <u>campuslearning@uab.edu</u>. Please include a phone number where you can be reached. This phone should be near your computer so that someone can assist you.



American Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPAA)

BSN Program

Do not attempt to complete this requirement until after November 1.

HIPAA works to ensure that all medical records, medical billing, and patient records meet certain consistent standards with regards to documentation, handling, and privacy.

If you have taken HIPAA training with another healthcare institution, you will need to retake it through UAB's Campus Learning to complete the requirement and receive credit. This is a <u>one-time only</u> training that does not require renewal at UAB.

New UAB School of Nursing Students

(Do not go directly into CAMPUS LEARNING, use the link provided)

To access and enroll in the HIPAA training course, go to:

https://uab.docebosaas.com/lms/index.php?r=course/deeplink&course_id=27&generated_by=151665&hash=89 c0297a2b7474b2ada7e5ab7cc93766a3192250

- Click on LOGIN WITH BLAZERID
- Login using your BlazerID/Username and Password
- Successful completion is considered a score of 75% or better. If unsuccessful, repeat these steps until you have a satisfactory score.
- You can see a certificate in the Campus Learning System by going to "My Activities" located on the homepage; however, https://www.uab.edu/learninglocker is the repository for full training history. Courses completed within the Campus Learning System will be logged into the Learning Locker within 1 business day

Returning/Current UAB School of Nursing Students or Previous/Current UAB Employees

If you have completed HIPAA with UAB as a previous student or employee, you will need to send a copy of your certificate to the Office of Student Success via email (<u>sonstudaffrs@uab.edu</u>) or fax to 205.934.5490.

To view and email/print your HIPAA certificate in the Campus Learning System go to <u>https://www.uab.edu/learninglocker</u>

- LOGIN WITH BLAZER ID
- Select "View Certificate" and either print or email your certificate to the Office of Student Success.

The School of Nursing will receive notice of successful completion of your training. Once you complete the training you should expect ~5 business days before your hold is removed.

If you are having problems accessing Campus Learning or accessing your course or certificate, please email <u>campuslearning@uab.edu</u>. Please include a phone number where you can be reached. This phone should be near your computer so that someone can assist you.



Uniforms

BSN Program

<u>Uniforms</u>

All new BSN students must order their official uniforms from Read's Uniforms in Birmingham, Alabama. New BSN students will be assigned a date to visit their store in Birmingham to be fitted for uniforms. Their address is **608 23rd Street South, Birmingham, AL 35233**. The uniforms take at least 4-6 weeks to arrive because they must be embroidered.

Your fitting date is on the next page. You can visit the store at any time on your date. Local students are expected to visit the store on their assigned date or one of the make-up dates. Students not in Birmingham may follow the recommendations from Read's Uniforms.

You must purchase at least the following items from Read's Uniforms:

- 2 sets of scrubs
- 1 lab coat
- 1 polo shirt

Approximate cost for the required uniform components is around \$250, depending on sizes and items you purchase. The approximate cost includes two sets of scrubs, one lab coat, one polo shirt, embroidery, and taxes. If additional items are purchased additional charges will apply.

Some students decide to order a scrub jacket to wear over their scrubs for warmth. The purchase of a scrub jacket is not required. However, if you purchase a scrub jacket, it must be appropriately embroidered the same as the scrub tops and the lab coat.

The uniform tops, the lab coat, the polo shirt and scrub jacket (if ordered) MUST HAVE THE PROPER EMBROIDERY. Read's Uniforms will know how the embroidery should be handled.

All students beginning nursing courses in Spring 2025 must have their uniforms by the first day of spring semester, January 13, 2025. If you have additional questions, please contact Read's Uniforms for assistance by calling 205-252-8654. Read's will notify you when your uniforms are ready for pick-up at their store location at 608 23rd Street South in Birmingham.

A separate email will be sent out providing dates and times for uniform fitting/ordering.

<u>Shoes</u>

Students must have shoes for clinicals that meet the UAB SON dress code. Leather or vinyl shoes (black, white or brown) are required for the uniform (scrubs) and the alternative uniform (polo). Additional information concerning dress code will be provided at your information session. Please direct questions regarding the required uniform or shoes to Dr. Carrie Beth Littleton (<u>cblittleton@uab.edu</u>).



Dress Code

BSN Program

This is an excerpt from your School of Nursing handbook (available the first day of the spring semester).

7.6g Prelicensure Student Dress Code Policy

Policy

Professional attire and appearance are an expectation of University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing (UABSON) students. The pre-licensure dress code policies are in effect for all students unless they conflict with the policies of the individual agency where students are assigned; then the individual agency policies supersede those of UABSON. Students who violate this policy are subject to disciplinary action.

UAB School of Nursing (UABSON) Approved Prelicensure Uniform:

- The UABSON prelicensure nursing uniform consists of SON-approved green pants and top, white, brown, or black pantyhose/stockings or white, brown, or black socks (crewstyle or higher), clean, white, solid dark brown, or solid black, low heeled, closed-toe, closed-heel, non-slip, soft-sole, nonpermeable, leather or vinyl shoes, and UAB student photo identification name badge. If a dress or skirt option is selected, the length must be below the knee and worn with white, brown, or black pantyhose/stockings.
- For warmth, a short or long sleeve, at or above the wrist, solid white shirt (crew or V-neck) may be worn under the uniform top. Students may wear a short, green scrub jacket. The jacket must be the same color as the uniform and have the UABSON brand.
- 3. Lab coats are to be worn over the uniform while walking to and from the clinical unit.
- 4. The UABSON alternative uniform consists of SON-approved green polo shirt, with UAB student photo identification name badge, and navy or khaki full-length pants covering the ankle. Clean, white, solid dark brown, or solid black, low heeled, closed-toe, closed-heel, non-slip, soft-sole, nonpermeable, leather or vinyl shoes must be worn with the alternative uniform. Solid white, brown, or black colored socks (crew-style or higher) must be worn.
- Shoes must be impermeable to liquids. Crocs or similar shoes that have holes in the top are not permitted. Open-toed sandals, thongs, clogs, boots, canvas sneakers or meshcovered shoes are not permitted.
- The UABSON brand must be embroidered on the green uniform top and approved polo shirt. If student chooses to wear a green scrub jacket it must also be embroidered with the UABSON brand.
- 7. The UABSON brand and student name must be embroidered on the lab coat.



General Grooming:

- All attire for any clinical/ lab experience must be clean and wrinkle free. Shoes should be clean and in good repair.
- 2. Hair must be neatly groomed and clean. All hair must be pulled back away from the face. Hair must be worn above the collar. If hair is longer than collarbone length, it must be completely secured with an inconspicuous clip or hair tie. Hair should not obstruct face or interfere with patient care. Hair that is secured (e.g. lengthy ponytail) should be fully secured so that it does not come into contact with patient, unit work areas, medications, food, or patient equipment. Headbands can be worn and must be solid black, solid white, solid grey, or solid brown in color and no wider than two inches. No other head wear

permitted. No extreme or unnatural colors (such as, but not limited to, red, blue, green, purple) will be permitted. Exposed facial hair greater than ½ inch that interferes with proper fit of facial mask, or interferes with patient care, is prohibited. Religious head wear or facial hair is permitted.

- Fingernails must be clean, neatly trimmed, and should not extend beyond ¼ inch from the tips of the fingers. No nail polish, artificial or gel nails/tips, or glued decorations may be worn.
- 4. Jewelry: Maximum of two earrings in each ear (stud diameter not past the ear lobe and not greater than ¼ inch in diameter or hoop earrings that maintain complete contact with the ear lobe are permitted). Earrings should be of a plain design without bright colors (e.g. plain silver stud or hoop). Earrings are only allowed in the helix cartilage or lobe of the ear. Dangling earrings and ear stretching items are not permitted. Facial jewelry other than earrings are prohibited but can use skin-colored/clear plugs or retainer in place of jewelry to camouflage piercing. A second-hand wristwatch, approved by UABSON, is required for all clinical activities. No wearable smart technology is allowed in clinical or lab. One plain band on one finger may be worn during clinical. The Sigma Theta Tau membership pin, UABSON Lamp of Learning pin, clip on Fitbit/pedometer, and/or medic-alert jewelry may be worn or pinned to your uniform. No other visible jewelry may be worn in the lab/clinical setting (e.g. bracelets, wrist Fitbits, and necklaces).
- 5. Visible tattoos should be covered, if possible, at all times in the clinical and lab settings.
- 6. Personal hygiene (such as bathing/showering and dental/oral hygiene) should be maintained to avoid odors that interfere with patient care. Strong odors of any kind are not permitted including perfume, cologne, after-shave, scented lotion, food, and smoke. Make-up, if worn, must be applied in moderation to promote a professional appearance.
- 7. Undergarments may not be visible and must always provide appropriate coverage.



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Identification:

- The UABSON approved uniform includes the UABSON brand embroidered on the green uniform top and approved polo shirt.
- 2. The UAB student photo identification name badge is required for all clinical and lab experiences. This name badge must be always visible and secured with a badge clip to the uniform and not with a lanyard. There should be nothing covering the picture or name. The picture and name should be always facing out. The name badge should be worn at shoulder level on the uniform top or approved polo shirt.
- The uniform is to be worn only for approved school-related activities. UABSON uniforms cannot be worn for external employment or shadowing in any healthcare setting.

Hospital Clinical and Lab Experiences:

Refer to # 1 under UAB School of Nursing (UABSON) Approved Uniform. Additionally:

- 1. The uniform and lab coat should be clean and wrinkle free.
- Shoes must be impermeable to liquids. Crocs or similar shoes that have holes in the top are not permitted. Open-toed sandals, thongs, clogs, boots, canvas sneakers or meshcovered shoes are not permitted.
- 3. Refer to general grooming and identification requirements.
- The SON approved white lab coat with the UABSON brand and the student's name must be worn to and from all clinical experiences or as directed by course faculty.
- 5. Alternative dress may be worn as directed by course /lab faculty.

Professional Dress during Non-Hospital Based Experiences:

- The UABSON alternative uniform is considered professional dress for all non-hospitalbased experiences unless otherwise directed by course faculty. Refer to #4 under UAB School of Nursing (UABSON) Approved Uniform.
- 2. Refer to general grooming and identification requirements.

Additional Information:

- 1. It is the responsibility of the faculty to enforce the dress code.
- Students who fail to comply with the dress code may be dismissed from the clinical site and receive a professionalism domain violation or a failing grade for the clinical. The incident will be documented in the student's clinical evaluation.
- Students with special uniform needs related to cultural or religious requirements should seek guidance from the program director before purchasing uniforms. Accommodations may be made for the students cultural or religious obligations.



Competency Lab Information Sheet - BSN Admission

Welcome to nursing school! We look forward to seeing you in the UAB School of Nursing Competency Labs. Below, you will find important information about the supplies you will be using in lab and clinical experiences.

Skills Supplies Packages

A skills supply package is required for coursework.

This purchase includes much more than the initial contents. Additional components, including medication administration supplies, advanced lab equipment, and other items will be distributed throughout subsequent semesters. A list of these supplies will be provided when you receive the skills supplies package.

COST:

The cost of a skills supplies package is \$225. Payment will be made online by using the provided link.

Skills packages may not be purchased used



TO ORDER PACKAGE VISIT:

The link to purchase will open

Monday, December 2, 2024, and will close on Friday, January 10, 2025, at

https://tinyurl.com/CompetencyPack

Latex Allergies

Students with latex allergies are responsible for providing physician documentation of the allergy 4 weeks prior to the semester start.

Documentation should be sent to

or from former students.

SONsimulation@uab.edu. If you do not contact us at least 4 weeks prior to semester start, we may not have the appropriate supplies for you.

Email: SONsimulation@uab.edu

Send any questions to

SONsimulation@uab.edu

Stethoscopes

Noon.

Students are required to have a dual head stethoscope with a diaphragm on one side and a bell on the other side. *Stethoscopes are not included in the skills supplies package and must be purchased separately.*

If you already have a dual head stethoscope that you can hear well with you do not need to purchase a new one.

Students may purchase a stethoscope through Redding Medical, a School of Nursing partner. Ordered stethoscopes are delivered to the School of Nursing and distributed to students in the first week of lab. *Students are not obligated to purchase from this company.*

See the attached information sheet.





Stethoscopes MUST be ordered from Redding Medical by December 16, 2024



Item	Description			
<u>5620</u>	Littmann Classic III: Black(5620), Gray(5621), Navy(5622), Caribbean(5623), Burgundy(5627), Pearl Pink(5630), Lavender(5632), Ceil(5633), Raspberry(5648), Plum(5831), Turquoise(5835) Lemon(5839)			
5620 Special Finishes	Black Tube W/Black Finish(5803), Chocolate Tube W/Copper Finish(5809), Black Tube w/Smoke Finish(5811), Caribbean Tube W/Rainbow Finish(5807), Raspberry Tube W/Rainbow Finish(5806) <u>Check Website for Additional Special Finishes</u>			
	Optional: Deter Theft! Laser Engraving of Full Name on Tube \$10 Engraving Credit, Use Code LITTUBE at checkout *Only one code allowed per purchase	\$12.99		
	Optional: Deter Theft! Laser Engraving of Full Name on Head \$10 Engraving Credit, Use Code LITTHEAD at checkout *Only one code allowed per purchase			
	Optional: Deter Theft! Laser Engraving of up to 3 Initials onto Chestpiece	\$4.99		
PK	Included with Littmann purchase: Parts kit	FREE		
LitEd	Included with Littmann purchase: Access to Littmann Learning Education App	FREE		

Free shipping!

*Your order will be shipped to UAB <u>after</u> the deadline date.



Registration Instructions

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UAB uses BlazerNet to make registering for courses easy. Use the following instructions to register for your upcoming classes.

- 1) Sign in to your BlazerNet student portal. <u>www.uab.edu/blazernet</u>
- 2) Click on the Registration button on the top banner.



- a. The <u>Time Ticket</u> section tells you when you are allowed to register for classes for the upcoming semester.
- b. The upcoming term(s) will be listed with any holds or other issues that may prevent registration.
- 3) Click Look Up Classes. Choose the correct term and click Submit. Click Advanced Search.





Course Search Advanced Search

- Choose NUR-Nursing from the scrolling <u>Subject</u> list. Click Advanced Class Search. This will list all courses offered in the School of Nursing that you need for the BSN program.
- 5) You will scroll through the list, clicking the **left side checkbox** for one section of each course on your Program of Study for that term.
 - a. For example, your first semester requires you enroll in
 - i. NUR 310, Concepts of Professional Nursing
 - ii. NUR 311L Nursing Skills Development I
 - iii. NUR 312L, Health Assessment Across the Lifespan



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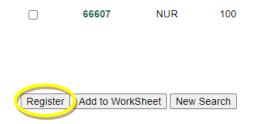
- iv. NUR 313L, Concepts of Professional Nursing Practicum
- v. NUR 315, Population Focused Health Care
- vi. NUR 318, Pathophysiology



- b. You will choose one section (one checkbox) for each of these courses to complete your schedule.
- c. If there is a "0" in the "Rem" (i.e., remaining seats) column, you will not be able to enroll in that section and should choose another section of the same course for registration.

Select	CRN	Subj	Crse	Sec	Cmp	Cred	Title	Days	Time	Cap	Act	Rem
	66608	NUR	100	2D	01	3.000	Student Success in Nursing	TR	12:30 pm-01:45 pm	30	11	19
_	66609	NUD	100	2E	01	3.000	Otudent Quesess in Nursing	TR	00:00 pm 00:15 pm	20	0	00
	66603	NUR	100	ZE	01	3.000	Student Success in Nursing	IR	02:00 pm-03:15 pm	30	2	28
	66610	NUR	100	2F	01	3.000	Student Success in Nursing	TR	03:30 pm-04:45 pm	30	0	30

6) Once you have chosen the checkboxes for all courses on your Program of Study upcoming semester, you will click **Register** at the bottom of the screen. Read the <u>Registration Message</u> and click **Continue** if you agree.



- 7) This will redirect you to your enrollment screen "Register, Add or Drop Classes".
 - a. Registration errors may appear and will list the reason for the error (full course, etc.). Please read those error messages carefully to complete your enrollment.
 - b. If no errors appear and you see all classes on your Program of Study listed as ****Web Registered**** under **Status**, your enrollment is <u>COMPLETE!</u>



Miscellaneous Tasks

BSN Program

Please review these links to further assist with your transition to UAB and the School of Nursing.

Parking Permit

https://www.uab.edu/transportation/parking/students-parking

Apply for your parking permit with the Parking and Transportation Services (permits go quickly!).

Housing

On Campus: https://www.uab.edu/students/housing/

Off Campus: https://offcampushousing.uab.edu/

The UAB Office of Student Housing and Residence Life can assist with housing both on and off campus.

UAB Email

What is the connection between my BlazerID and @uab.edu address?

The BlazerID is the username (i.e., the part before @) portion of your uab.edu address. When you register your BlazerID, you are given the option of designating a mailbox or setting up a UAB email account where you would like to receive your mail. After that, when someone sends mail to your @uab.edu address, it will be automatically forwarded to that mailbox. You can reroute this forwarding at any time:

- 1. Go to <u>uab.edu/blazerid</u>
- 2. Click "Change Email Preferences"
- 3. Click "Change Forwarding Preferences"
- 4. Click "Get a UAB managed mailbox and forward to it"



One Card

BSN Program

A One Card (student ID) is required for all students.

- 1. Follow these instructions to submit your ID photo online: https://campuscard.uab.edu/bbapps/photosubmit/
- We will pick up your ID for you! Submit this form letting me know you have submitted your photo, and your ID is ready to print: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/hfTDx64x8D</u>
- I will bring One Cards to the Information Session (November 14) and to Orientation (January 8) for you to pick up.

To receive your One Card <u>November 14</u>, submit your photo and this form by **Monday, November 11 at 5:00pm**.

To receive your One Card <u>January 8</u>, submit your photo and this form by **Friday**, **January 3 at 5:00pm**.



Financial Resources

BSN Program

Tuition and Fees

We recommend using the tuition and fees section on the program website and the Program of Study in this packet to estimate your cost by semester: <u>https://www.uab.edu/nursing/home/academics/undergraduate/bsn</u>

Additional UAB institutional fee information is available here: <u>https://www.uab.edu/cost-aid/cost/detailed-tuition-fees</u>

Financial Aid and Scholarships

UAB Financial Aid and Scholarships: https://www.uab.edu/cost-aid/types-of-aid

School of Nursing Scholarships: <u>https://www.uab.edu/nursing/home/scholarships-financial-aid</u>

Explore your financial aid options with UAB's Office of Student Financial Aid.



As an institution, one goal that UAB has is to ensure that students have access to the best health care available. With this in mind, there are a few updates that we have regarding Student Health Insurance at UAB.

Effective fall 2018, UAB's Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) is provided by United HealthCare. This product offers the best available protection at a very competitive price. The plan includes preventive services and unlimited lifetime maximums for medical and prescription coverage. This plan provides access to a national network of preferred providers in all 50 states which allows students to have the same level of protection wherever their studies or life might take them as students of UAB. Below is a summary of the product:

Annual Premium:	\$3126.00 (2024-2025)
Deductible:	\$250 (2024-2025)
Maximum Out of Pocket:	\$4000 for individual (2024-2025)

UAB is happy to present this new product and looks forward to this partnership with United HealthCare to provide the best possible coverage available.

Insurance Waiver

UAB has also worked to improve the Insurance Waiver process to make this easier for students. If you are an undergraduate student registered for 9+ hours, a graduate student in a program that requires insurance, enrolled in a clinical program, or an international student, you will be automatically enrolled into the SHIP. The cost of the premium for the semester will be added to your student account and you will receive information regarding your benefit.

If you have **private healthcare coverage** that meets the waiver criteria, you can submit an insurance waiver online through an encrypted URL in BlazerNet. Once waivers are received and validated, you will not be enrolled in the SHIP and the charge will not be posted or will be removed from your account. To ensure you are not charged for the coverage if you do not need it, please submit your waiver online by the premiere submission deadline, December 10, 2024.

Please visit the UAB Student Health and Wellness Insurance and Waivers webpage for more information on the United HealthCare product or guidance on submitting an Insurance Waiver request.

Insurance Requirements: <u>https://www.uab.edu/students/health/insurance-requirements</u> Insurance Waivers: <u>https://www.uab.edu/students/health/insurance-requirements/waivers</u>

UAB Student Health Services 1714 9th Avenue South Birmingham, AL 35214 205-934-3580 studenthealth@uab.edu



Dear Health Professional Students:

In the interest of maintaining and promoting good oral health and educating health professionals about the dental needs of their patients, the University of Alabama at Birmingham provides a dental healthcare program which is pre-paid through a fee for students enrolled in the Schools of Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, and Optometry.

Oral disease such as cavities and periodontal disease, as well as other acute dental issues, should be addressed prior to entering your program at UAB, if at all possible. Upon matriculation, you may schedule an initial oral health screening appointment at our campus facility by emailing the program coordinator. It should be noted that any pre-existing conditions found during the initial screening will be your financial responsibility. After pre-existing conditions are treated, the only cost to you for treatment covered within the plan is the modest program fee.

You may opt out of the service by completing the electronic dental waiver in BlazerNET. You will find the waiver under Links/Forms from the homepage. You must upload proof of dental insurance before submitting the waiver.

If you choose to utilize the Student Dental Health services, you may email the program coordinator to schedule an appointment.

A more complete explanation of the Student Dental Health Program will be provided to you at the time of your orientation.

We are looking forward to meeting you and to a cooperative and beneficial relationship as we serve your individual dental needs. If you have any further questions and/or would like to schedule an appointment, please feel free to contact our program coordinator Debbie Watford at angela64@uab.edu.

Sincerely,

Charles H

Charles Banks, DMD Director, Student Dental Health Program

> Signature: <u>Charles H Banks Jr</u> Charles H Banks Jr (Ney 2, 2022 11:36 CDT) Email: cbanks71@uab.edu

> > SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY Student Dental Health Program

122 School of Dentistry Building | 19197th Avenue South Mailing Address: SDB 122 | 1720 2ND AVE SOUTH | BIRMINGHAM AL35294-0007 phone: 205.934.5234 | fax:205.934.3057 www.uab.edu

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1 ST SEMEST	ER (SPRING 2025)	
NUR 310	Concepts of Professional Nursing	3
NUR 311L	Nursing Skills Development I	2
NUR 312L	Health Assessment Across the Lifespan	2
NUR 313L	Concepts of Professional Nursing Practicum	2
NUR 315	Population Focused Health Care	2
NUR 318	Pathophysiology	3
		Total Credits 14
2nd SEMES	TER (SUMMER 2025)	
NUR 321L	Nursing Skills Development I	1
NUR 322	Concepts of Behavioral Health Nursing	3
NUR 323L	Concepts of Behavioral Health Nursing Practicum	2
NUR 328	Pharmacotherapy I	2
NUR 326	Concepts of Adult Health Nursing I	3
NUR 3271	Concepts of Adult Health Nursing I Practicum	2
NUR 336	Leadership	2
		Total Credits 15
3rd SEMEST	ER (FALL 2025)	
NUR 338	Pharmacotherapy II	2
NUR 388	Concepts of Adult Health Nursing II	3
NUR 389L	Concepts of Adult Health Nursing II Practicum	2
NUR 428L	Concepts of Community and Public Health	2
NUR 429L	Concepts of Community and Public Health Practicum	2
NUR 409Q	Health Care and Information Technology	2
		Total Credits 13
4th SEMEST	ER (SPRING 2026)	
NUR 410	Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	2
NUR 426	Concepts of Complex Nursing	2
NUR 427L	Concepts of Complex Nursing Practicum	2
NUR 392	Concepts of Maternal Child Health Nursing	3
NUR 393L	Concepts of Maternal Child Health Nursing Practicum	4
NUR 431L	Nursing Skills Development III	1
		Total Credits 14
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5 th SEMEST	ER SUMMER 2026)	
NUR	Nursing Elective	3
NUR 447L	Synthesis and Assimilation Practicum	4
NUR 449	Synthesis Review	1
NUR 448	Transition to Professional Nursing	2
		Total Credits 10
		Total Program Credits 66

Applicable Academic Policies

- 1. The minimum total credit hours required for the graduation with the BSN degree is 126 hours with a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 (C) in all credit hours attempted at all institutions attended and an average of at least 2.0 (C) in all credit hours attempted at UAB.
- 2. All upper division nursing courses require a minimum of a "C" to pass the course and progress to the next semester.
- 3. A student is allowed 2 attempts in NUR coursework. An attempt is a course pass, failure or a withdrawal.
- 4. Following a second failure or withdrawal, a student is ineligible to progress in the nursing program.
- 5. A course failure or withdrawal in more than one course in the same term would result in dismissal. NOTE: Students will not be penalized from having to withdraw from co-requisite coursework.
- 6. If a student's enrollment is interrupted or he/she is unable to complete a course on the first attempt, the student must apply for reinstatement or readmission by the deadline with the understanding that the request will be granted on a space available basis.

I am aware that the Undergraduate Student Handbook is located on the School of Nursing website at<u>www.uab.edu/son/undergrad.htm</u>.

Student Signature	 Date	

BSN Program Co-Coordinator:

_Date _____



Nursing Honors Course Options

BSN Program

The School of Nursing offers one course per semester designated as honors, so UAB Honors College students have the option to use nursing coursework to fulfill Honors College requirements. Honors College students can earn up to 13 hours of honors credit by enrolling in the nursing honors class sections.

The following courses in the BSN program will have an honors section available:

Semester I: NUR 310 Concepts of Professional Nursing (3 hours) Semester II: NUR 336 Leadership Development (2 hours) Semester III: NUR 429L: Concepts of Community and Public Health Nursing (2 hours) Semester IV: NUR 393L Concepts of Maternal Child Health Nursing Practicum (3 hours) Semester V: NUR 410Q Caring for America's Heroes (elective) (3 hours)

We request you identify yourself as an Honors College student during the information session, so we can project future nursing honors course offerings. We will use the information to communicate with you about the availability of nursing honors courses in the future. Please email your name and contact information to Dr. Dana Mitchell (<u>dcmitchell@uab.edu</u>), after the information session.

Once you identify yourself as an Honors College student, we will keep your name on a roster and contact you each semester to obtain your plan for enrolling in the upcoming honors nursing sections of the designated courses.

Dr. Mitchell can address questions you have about the nursing honors courses.



Honor Code

BSN Program

SCHOOL OF NURSING GENERAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Student Honor Code Preamble

The SON, as a unit of UAB, exists to educate its students; to advance, preserve, and disseminate knowledge through research and scholarship; and to advance the interests and the welfare of society as a whole. Students, faculty, and administration represent the three integral parts of the academic community; they share responsibility for the proper functioning of the institution in the pursuit of its educational goals.

As members of the academic community, students are encouraged to develop the capacity for critical judgment and to engage in a sustained and independent search for truth. Free inquiry and free expression are indispensable to the attainment of the goals of the university. Freedom to teach and freedom to learn are inseparable facets of academic freedom. The freedom to teach and to learn depends upon appropriate opportunities and conditions in the classroom and throughout the overall campus community.

In order to insure these rights and freedoms, both the university as an institution and the members of the academic community are obligated to insure orderly operation by prohibiting actions that interfere with the achievement of goals or violate the rights of others. This obligation is met by initiating disciplinary action when either academic or nonacademic behavior adversely affects the mission of the university.

The SON seeks to nurture the development of a strong sense of integrity and of ethical behavior among its students. The faculty and administration ultimately have responsibility for and authority over academic and disciplinary actions concerning nursing students, subject to the policies of UAB and any applicable civil or criminal statutes.

Statement of Student Honor Code

Student conduct is the practice of personal and professional integrity and thus respects the dignity, rights, and property of self, other students, faculty, staff, clients/patients, and visitors on University property and on non-University property used for nursing students' educational experiences. Student conduct affects the University and the School, the members of the UAB academic community, and the fulfillment of the University and School's mission.

Given the nature of ethical issues in health care, the faculty and administration of the SON believe that it is important to develop the highest ethical standards among students at all levels in the school. The SON expects a higher standard of conduct than the minimum required to avoid disciplinary action. A student honor code is used in the School. Students are informed about the honor code upon admission to the SON. Each student is required to abide by the code.

Student Honor Pledge

The student honor pledge reads as follows:

I pledge that I will not at any time be involved with any acts of academic or nonacademic misconduct while enrolled as a student at the SON, UAB. I have read the Student Honor Code which explains disciplinary procedures that will result from the aforementioned. I will abide by the Student Honor Code as a condition of admission to the SON. I understand that violation of this code could result in penalties as severe as indefinite suspension or expulsion from the SON.

Definitions from UAB

Abetting: helping another student commit an act of academic dishonesty. Allowing others to copy your quiz answers, or use your work as their own are examples of abetting.

Administration: any person employed by the School or University to perform administrative duties. Aiding and abetting academic or nonacademic misconduct: intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another student commit an action of academic or nonacademic misconduct. Appeal: a resort to a higher authority for the purpose of obtaining a review of a lower authority's decision, a reversal of the lower authority's judgment, or the granting of a new hearing.

Cheating: use or attempted use of unauthorized materials, information, study aids, the answers of others, or computer-related information.

Client/patient: any person or group of persons receiving nursing care.

Community: clients/patients, their families, and health care providers in clinical settings or students, faculty, staff, and guests of the University and academic community.

Due process: "fundamental fairness" Substantive due process--rules are fair; i.e., rationally related to a legitimate goal of that evidence.

Fabrication: presenting as genuine falsified data, citations, or quotations.

Misrepresentation: falsification, alteration or misstatement of the contents of documents, academic work, or other materials related to academic matters, including representing work substantially done for one class as work done for another without receiving prior approval from the instructor. Misrepresentation also includes misrepresenting schedules, prerequisites, transcripts, or other academic records.

Non-University agency: any agency which has a verbal or written agreement with the SON to provide learning experiences for students.

Plagiarism: claiming as your own the ideas, words, data, computer programs, creative compositions, artwork, etc., done by someone else. Examples include improper citation of referenced works, use of commercially available scholarly papers, failure to cite sources, and copying others' ideas.

School: The SON, at UAB.

Staff: any person employed by the School or the University to provide support services.

Student: any person officially enrolled in courses offered by the SON, whether he or she is classified as a degree-seeking student or a special student. All persons pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees, whether full time or part time, are considered students.

University: UAB.

Student Honor Code Violations

Allegations of an Honor Code Violation will follow the appropriate steps and procedures for Academic Misconduct and Grievance Procedures.



Standards of Professional Behavior

- Attentiveness The student regularly attends class and other required courserelated activities which include, but are not limited to, lab, clinical, seminar. All extended absences are for relevant and serious reasons and approved, where applicable, by the appropriate authority. The student is consistently on time for classrelated activities and stays until the end of the activity. The student is alert during the activity and demonstrates attentiveness by taking notes, asking appropriate questions, completing assigned activities.
- **Demeanor** The student has a positive, open attitude towards peers, teachers and others during the course of nursing studies. The student maintains a professional bearing in interpersonal relations. The student functions in a supportive and constructive fashion in group situations and makes good use of feedback and evaluations.
- **Cooperation** The student demonstrates his/her ability to work effectively in large and small groups and with other members of the health team, giving and accepting freely in the interchange of information.
- **Maturity** The student functions as a responsible, ethical, law-abiding adult.
- **Inquisitiveness** The student demonstrates an interest in his/her courses and curricular subjects, demonstrating individual pursuit of further knowledge.
- **Authority** A student shows appropriate respect for those placed in authority over him/her both within the University and in society.
- **Responsibility** The student has nursing school performance as his/her primary commitment. Student to student and student to faculty academic interchanges are carried out in a respectful, reliable and trustworthy manner.
- **Personal Appearance** The student's personal hygiene and dress reflect the high standards of a professional nurse.
- **Communication** The student demonstrates an ability to effectively communicate verbally, nonverbally, and in writing with peers, teachers, patients, and others.
- **Professional Role** The student conducts self as a professional role model at all times and in compliance with ANA Standards of Practice and the Alabama State Board of Nursing Rules and Regulations regarding professional conduct.
- **Judgment** The student shows an ability to think critically, reflecting on his/her ability to make intelligent decisions in his/her personal and academic life.
- Ethics The student conducts self in compliance with the ANA Code of Ethics.
- **Moral Standards** The student respects the rights and privacy of other individuals and does not violate laws of our society.



Pre-licensure Core Performance Standards for Admission and Progression

Nursing education requires the acquisition of academic knowledge, clinical and specialized communication skills as well as professional attitudes and behaviors. All pre-licensure degrees certify that the student has acquired the broad base of knowledge and skills required for entry into professional nursing practice. This foundational education includes both academic and professional nursing courses that provide a base for clinical competence and informed judgements about health and patient care in a variety of settings. Since the treatment of patients is an essential part of the educational program, the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing (UABSON) must act to protect the health and safety of patients.

Candidates for any pre-licensure degree must have skills and abilities in ten core performance standards with or without reasonable accommodations. These ten standards include, but are not limited to, the following skills and abilities (bulleted examples included, not all-inclusive):

- 1. Critical Thinking: Critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical judgment.
 - Identifies safety issues in clinical situations
 - Identifies cause/effect relationships in clinical situations, develops, evaluates, and revises nursing plan of care
 as appropriate
 - Has the ability to make safe judgments when planning and implementing all psychomotor nursing prescriptions
 - Manages multiple priorities in stressful situations
 - Responds instantly to emergency situations
 - Exhibits arithmetic competence that would allow the student to read, understand and perform accurate calculations for computing medication dosages and intravenous flow rates
- 2. <u>Interpersonal</u>: Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.
 - Establishes appropriate rapport with clients and colleagues
 - Has the ability to work in groups on course activities
 - Maintains therapeutic relationships with clients and colleagues
 - Respects the rights of others
 - Works effectively in small groups as a team member and as a team leader
 - Practices therapeutic communication
 - Recognizes and attempts to resolve adverse events for both clients and colleagues
- 3. <u>Communication</u>: Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others
 - Communicates effectively so as to be understood by the general public
 - Has the ability to complete written assignments, participate in classroom discussion/activities, and complete group projects
 - Does not make disruptive interruptions in class
 - Communicates therapeutically with clients, families, and groups in a variety of settings
 - Documents client data and nursing care completely and accurately
 - Provides health teaching information for clients, families, and/or groups based on assessed needs, available resources, age, lifestyle, and cultural considerations
 - Has the ability to use a variety of computer programs and platforms
 - Must be able to give and receive constructive feedback, process feedback, and utilize it to conform behavior to
 expected professional standards



4. <u>Physical Mobility</u>: Ability (with or without assistive devices) sufficiently move from room to room and maneuver in small spaces. Maintains physical tolerance for repetitive movements and demands of the work assignment.

- Able to attend and participate in class
- Has the ability to push, pull and/or lift a minimum of 30 lbs. of weight
- Has mobility and stamina sufficient to function for up to a 12-hour clinical experience in various settings
- Lifts, moves, positions, and transports clients without causing harm to client or self
- Has the ability to move around client's room, work spaces and treatment areas, in all clinical settings
- Has the ability to stoop, bend, squat, and reach overhead as required to deliver care safely in emergent and nonemergent situations
- Performs cardiopulmonary resuscitation according to recommended procedures and professional standards
- 5. <u>Gross and Fine Motor Skills</u>: Gross and fine motor abilities (with or without assistive devices) sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care.
 - Performs physical activities necessary to accomplish nursing skills, including but not limited to: putting on sterile gloves, donning mask and gown, operating a manual and electronic blood pressure cuff, using sterile technique and performing essential client care
 - Performs correct hand washing technique
 - Provides or assists with activities of daily living
 - Administers all routes of medications to maintain client safety
 - Has the ability to use computers and other electronic devices
 - Performs electronic keyboarding/documentation and/or extensive writing
 - Calibrates and uses equipment correctly (e.g. syringes, vials, ampoules, medication packages)
 - Has the gross and fine motor ability to grasp small objects (e.g. IV tubing, syringe, dropper)
- 6. Auditory: Auditory ability (with or without assistive devices) sufficient to monitor and assess health needs
 - Has the ability to monitor alarms, emergency signals, and cries for help
 - Has the ability to distinguish changes in tone and pitch for example when monitoring a client's respirations, cardiac, and abdominal auditory characteristics when using a stethoscope
- 7. Visual: Observation ability (with or without assistive devices) sufficient for assessment and intervention
 - Has the ability to observe audio-visual aids and client, peer, and faculty responses.
 - Has the ability to read medical documents; identify small calibrations on sphygmomanometers, syringes, and thermometers' observe patient responses to interventions or health problems; and detect color changes.
 - Performs nursing skills such as inserting urinary catheters and IV devices, counting respirations, and preparing or administering medications.
 - Has the ability to discriminate colors, changes in color, size, and contour of body part
 - Has the ability to identify, prepare, and administer medications accurately and safely by all routes
- 8. Tactile: Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment
 - Performs palpation functions correctively for physical examination and therapeutic interventions such as pulses, temperature, texture, firmness, softness, and physical landmarks
- 9. **Behavioral:** Emotional stability sufficient to tolerate rapidly changing conditions and environmental stress
 - Establishes therapeutic interpersonal boundaries
 - Provides clients with emotional support
 - Has the ability to focus in clinical settings when the environment is disruptive and distracting
 - Adapts to stressful situations and changing environments while maintaining professional conduct and standards without displaying hostility, agitation, rudeness, or belligerence



- Poses no threat to the health and safety of others
- Performs potentially stressful tasks concurrently
- 10. Professional Behavior: Behave in a respectful, ethical and professional manner with others
 - Interacts respectfully with peers, faculty, superiors, clients, and families
 - Strives to provide quality client care
 - Applies knowledge and clinical reasoning
 - Reflects on own behavior and clinical performance with clients; engages in self-evaluations
 - Has the ability to interact with peers and colleagues appropriately
 - Has the ability to collaborate with clients, families, and others in nursing situations
 - Integrates ethical behavior in nursing practice
 - · Performs activities safely, so as to not injure or harm others or self
 - Recognizes that all students represent the nursing profession and must behave accordingly
 - Respects and adheres to the policies and procedures of the School of Nursing and clinical agencies

Application for Accommodation After Matriculation:

The UAB School of Nursing will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with approved accommodation(s). In order to request accommodations, students must contact the <u>UAB Office of Disability Support Services</u> and follow the registration process. UABSON faculty collaborate with Disability Support Services within the scope of the core performance standards to establish reasonable accommodations. Throughout a student's career, the UABSON will work with the student and DSS to ensure accommodations are reasonably facilitated and maintains safety for the student and patient according to DSS guidelines.

Intake for Students Participating in Approved University/School Activity

Student Information

Student Name

E-mail Address

Approved University/School Activity

Academic Contact Information

Athletic/Activity Academic Advisor's name

E-mail Address

Coach/Contact Person's Name

E-mail Address

Schedule/Scheduling Conflicts:

Phone Number

Semester

Title/Position

Phone Number

Title/Position

Phone Number





BIRMINGHAM VETERAN'S AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER AND THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM SCHOOL OF NURSING

VA NURSE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

"CARING FOR AMERICA'S HEROES"

Would you like to become a part of an exciting program offered by the Birmingham Veteran's Affairs Medical Center (BVAMC) and the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing (UABSON) to learn to care for America's heroes? If so, the BVAMC and UABSON are accepting applications for the **VA Nurse Scholars** program for the Spring 2025. The <u>deadline</u> for applications is Friday, December 6, 2024. Interviews for the VA Scholars Program will be scheduled in mid-December. Please see attached application.

As a participant of this program, you will have exciting educational and leadership opportunities that are unique to being a part of this program including:

- Learning to provide nursing care to America's true heroes our veterans
- Eligible for employment as a **Student Nurse Technician** at the BVAMC, if desired, after completion of all first semester courses
- Progressing through nursing school as a group with other VA Nurse Scholars making friendships that last a lifetime
- Having most clinical experiences, with the exception of pediatrics and obstetrics, at the Birmingham VA Medical Center.
- Experience with state-of -the-art equipment at the UABSON and BVAMC including practice with high fidelity simulation manikins, computerized charting and computerized medication administration.
- Having a VA based faculty member as your advisor and mentor
- Involvement in the VA Quality Scholars program to help improve the quality of health care for veterans
- Upon completion of the VA Nurse Scholars program and graduation from UABSON, participants will be eligible for employment at ANY VA facility, including the BVAMC. The VA system has excellent employee benefits including initial salary recognizing the BSN degree.

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM

SCHOOL OF NURSING

APPLICATION FOR VA NURSE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Return by email to rimoore@uab.edu by December 6, 2024

Student ID		Date		
GENERAL INFORMATION				
Name				
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Other Name(s		Email Address		
(LISTED ON TRANSC	RIPT)			
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*Native Language			<u>*Gender</u> Male Female	•
			(CIRCLE)	
Current GPA				
Military Service: Yes No	Branch	Da	ates	
Honorable Discharge: Yes No	NA			
Current/Previous VA Employment: Ye	s No	Dates		

*This information is used for identification and statistical reporting only. UAB is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all information on this form is complete and correct. Failure to disclose information requested in this document is grounds for dismissal from UAB School of Nursing.

Signature:

Date:_____

Please attach the following documentation:

- Short Essay about why you are interested in the VA Nurse Scholars Program.
 - o 100 words or less
 - o Double-spaced
 - 1"inch margins, 11 Point Arial font
 - Failure to follow these guidelines will result in dismissal of your packet for consideration for admission to the VA Scholars program



Important Contacts

BSN Program

BSN Program Directors	Competency Lab Information Lab Equipment Requirements
Dr. Carrie Beth Littleton	
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Dr. Tiffany Ervin	
<u>tbervin@uab.edu</u>	
205-996-1737	
Scholarships	Read's Uniforms
Ms. Stephanie Hamberger	Ms. Allison Fowler
<u>ssallen@uab.edu</u>	bham.manager@readsuniforms.net
205-934-5483	205-252-8654
Background Check/Drug	VA Nursing Academy
Screening & CPR	
U	Dr. Randy Moore
Ms. Pat Little	<u>rlmoore@uab.edu</u>
plittle2@uab.edu	
205-996-7130	
HIPAA and OSHA	BSN Program Manager
Office of Student Success	Ms. Crimsynn Dover
<u>sonstudaffrs@uab.edu</u>	<u>cdover@uab.edu</u>
205-975-7529	205-975-7529

The UAB Student Health and Wellness Office handles all questions related to immunizations and medical records.

If you have questions about what immunizations are required or what immunization documents to submit, please submit your questions to the Student Health and Wellness Office while logged into the Student Health and Wellness Patient Portal.

Visit http://www.uab.edu/students/health/ to access the Patient Portal.

ESSENTIAL STUDENT RESOURCES



Student Counseling Services

Offers free and confidential support to achieve well-being

3rd Floor Learning Resource Ctr 1714 9th Avenue South Birmingham, AL 35233

Location:

- Individual and group counseling
- Crisis and emergency support
- Prevention and outreach programming
- Online resources and distance counseling

To schedule an appointment, call: 205-934-5816

UAB Cares



Delivers supports for students in crisis or considering suicide

- Identify related community resources
- Connect with crisis hotlines (rape response, domestic violence, LGBT, etc.)
- Talk to a trained, live crisis counselor 24-7

To connect with a crisis counselor: Text "UAB" to 741-741



Student Assistance & Support

Assists students through life challenges to support diverse needs

- Student advocacy
- University and community connections
- Individualized support
- Resilience and accountability
- Distressed student referrals

Location: Hill Student Center Suite 303, 1400 University Blvd Birmingham, AL 35233 Phone: 205-975-9509

Email: studentoutreach@uab.edu

Regions Institute for Financial Education



Provides financial literacy resources and programming

- Saving goals
- One-on-one financial counseling
- America Saves Pledge
- Interest-free student
 microloans
- Financial literacy
 presentations
- Credit management
- Debt reduction
- Spending plans

Student Health Services

Offers primary and specialty care appointments for healthcare needs

1714 9th Ave South Birmingham, AL 35233 Hours: Mon-Thurs 8-5, Fri 9-5

Location:

- Immunizations and prescriptions
- Triage nurse on call
- Telemedicine visits (AW Touchpoint)
- Student insurance and waivers

To schedule an appointment, call: 205-934-3580 or access the patient portal

Blazer Kitchen



Provides an on-campus food pantry and food insecurity referrals

1613 Location: ***appointment required***

1613 11th Ave. S Birmingham, AL 35205 Phone: 205-996-2040 Hours: please check website Hill Student Center Location: ***appointment required***

Suite 303, 1400 University Blvd Birmingham, AL 35233 **Phone:** 205-975-9509 **Hours:** Mon-Fri, 8 am-5 pm



Disability Support Services

Facilitates an accessible university experience for all students

Location: Hill Student Center, Suite 409 1400 University Blvd Birmingham, AL 35294 Phone: 205-934-4205 Hours: Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm

- Sign language interpreters
- Books in alternative formats
- Note-taking assistance
- Testing/housing accommodations
- Assistive technology software

For questions about DSS accommodations, email: dss@uab.edu

UAB Police and Public Safety



For emergencies, please call **205-934-3535** or **911** For non-emergency situations, please call **205-934-4434**