St. Johns College, Department of Nursing

General Admission

Fast Facts

Take a path that leads to a future full of varied experiences and opportunities, challenges and personal rewards – choose nursing.

St. Johns College, Department of Nursing provides an upper division curriculum leading to the baccalaureate in nursing degree.

Eligible students have completed pre-professional courses which include 56 hours of designated liberal arts and science courses and have earned a grade point of 2.5 or higher.

Qualified students are admitted to St. Johns College regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, veteran status or handicaps that do not impede patient care activities.

The Hospital Sisters of St. Francis founded the College. Their philosophy, moral and ethical standards of behavior and a legacy of caring and healing impact all St. Johns College experiences.

Students at St. Johns College participate in learning about self, about developing personal spirituality and maturity and about becoming a helping professional.

The typical student at St. Johns College is inquisitive, articulate, and creative and a productive member of the community in which he or she participates.

The professional education planned for students at St. Johns College, Department of Nursing emphasizes professional growth, a capability to contribute to the welfare of society and to demonstrate caring for others.

St. Johns College, Department of Nursing graduates are well versed in how to pursue lifelong learning, to continue growing as nurses in an ever-changing healthcare field.

Teaching, learning and community service are special to St. Johns College faculty and students. The unique faculty-student ratio allows students to receive individualized education with guidance from an expert faculty mentor.

The College Pre-licensure tuition for 2012 – 2013 is $7,515 per semester plus fees and miscellaneous expenses. Part time tuition for 11 hours or fewer per semester is $626 per credit hour.

Students may apply for financial assistance, college work study funds, loans or other sources of funding to finance their nursing education. Every effort is made to assist students in their full time study of nursing at St. Johns College.

St. Johns College, Department of Nursing is the oldest Catholic hospital based school of nursing in the United States and has been providing nursing education without interruption since 1886.

As graduates, St. Johns College students become nurses whose practice exemplifies excellence in health care and value-based leadership.

For more information about St. John's College, Department of Nursing, go to the web site:
www.stjohnscollegespringfield.edu

To apply for admission to St. Johns College, students pay the $60.00 application fee and complete the required forms, obtained on the website.

For more information call (217) 525-5628 or
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admissions@stjohnscollegespringfield.edu

To inquire about Financial Assistance call
(217)-525-5628 or e-mail:
financialaid@stjohnscollegespringfield.edu

St. Johns College is accredited by:
The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400
Chicago, Illinois 60602.

The National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission, 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, Georgia 30326.

The College is approved by the:
Illinois Board of Higher Education
The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

729 E. Carpenter Street, Springfield, IL 62702 (217) 525-5628

Admissions: General Pre-licensure BSN Students

Applicants who meet the admission criteria and core performance standards are accepted into the program without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, handicap or veteran status on a space available basis throughout the year. Applicants are expected to exemplify good character enabling them to actively seek the moral, intellectual and professional growth described in the mission statement of the College. Students are encouraged to recognize that submission of minimum acceptance requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the program. While applications are accepted throughout the year, on a rolling basis, applicants are encouraged to apply early due to the competitiveness of acceptance.

Criteria for Provisional Acceptance
Applications for provisional acceptance are accepted from high school seniors/graduates as well as persons actively pursuing the required lower division credits. Consideration for provisional acceptance is based on the following requirements:

Early Admit High School Seniors
1. Completed application accompanied by a $60.00 nonrefundable application fee.
2. Submission of a legal document showing proof of name at time of application (certified birth certificate, marriage license, divorce decree, etc.)
3. Submission of an official transcript from a State Board of Education approved high school indicating completion of seven semesters of high school and the following requirements:
   A. Cumulative high school GPA of 3.0/4.0.
   B. Rank in the upper half of high school class
   C. 500 each section of the SAT or a composite score of 22 or better on the ACT. (The school code for ACT is 1167.) If applicable, Illinois resident's official transcripts should include Prairie State Achievement scores. Minimum grade of C in all courses taken.
   D. Completion of the following required courses with the College prep track:4 years of English, 3 years of Social Studies, 3 years of Mathematics, 3 years of Lab Science and 2 years of electives.
4. Application deadline is September 1, following graduation from high school.
5. Applicant will be required to submit proof of graduation from a high school approved by a State Board of Education via an official transcript before provisional acceptance can be granted.
6. Applicants will be required to submit an official transcript after completion of two and three semesters of College course credit from a regionally accredited College. Official transcripts must come from the granting institution directly to St. John's College. Hand carried transcripts are not acceptable. No designated lower division course may be repeated more than once.
7. All applicants with English as a Second Language are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and achieve a score of 560 on the paper version, 220 on the computer based version or 83on the internet-based (iBT) version. Applicants are also required to take the test through the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) and achieve a score of 6.5 overall score) and 7.0 (spoken band).

General Admission
(after 30 hours of designated lower division transferable College credit)
1. Completed application accompanied by a $60.00 nonrefundable application fee. A late fee, $50.00, will apply to applicants applying after March 1 of the year of enrollment.
2. Applicants are required to complete the Test of Essential Academic Skills V (TEAS V®).
3. Submission of a legal document showing proof of name at time of application (certified birth certificate, marriage license, divorce decree, etc.)
4. Submission of official transcripts at the end of each term from all regionally accredited College(s) attended showing:
   A. A minimum of thirty (30) semester hours of designated lower division transferable College credit with a cumulative GPA of 2.50/4.0.
   B. A minimum grade of C in all required science courses completed within the last five years prior to enrollment in St. John's College.
   C. No designated lower division course may be repeated more than once. Official transcripts must come from the granting institution directly to St. John's College. Hand carried transcripts are not acceptable.
5. Good academic standing in the last institution attended.
6. Proof of graduation from a high school approved by the State Board of Education via an official transcript or possession of a high school equivalency certificate verified by an official GED score report. Official transcripts should include ACT, SAT, if taken, and for Illinois residents, the Prairie State Achievement scores or score reports should be sent to the College.
7. All applicants with English as a Second Language are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and achieve a score of 560 on the paper version, 220 on the computer based version or 83 on the internet-based (iBT) version. Applicants are also required to take the test through the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) and achieve a score of 6.5 overall score) and 7.0 (spoken band).

Criteria for Final Acceptance
To receive final acceptance and permission to enroll in classes, the student must achieve and maintain all provisional acceptance requirements whether as an Early Admit or General Admission applicant required by St. John's College and:
1. Submit official transcripts showing proof of completion of the fifty-six (56) semester hours of designated lower division transfer credits from a regionally accredited university or College which meet the following requirements:
   A. Cumulative GPA of 2.50/40.
   B. No designated lower division course may be repeated more than once.
   C. All science courses completed with a minimum grade of C within the last five years prior to enrollment in St. John's College
   D. Good academic standing at the last institution attended.
2. Two professional references.
3. Completion of a pre-entrance health examination.
4. Criminal background check with no disqualifying conditions.
5. Personal interview as requested by the College

All persons provisionally accepted must meet the criteria for final admission before being enrolled in the College.

Transfer of Upper Division Credit
Students who wish to transfer credit for courses completed in other accredited baccalaureate programs must meet the general admission criteria and submit an official transcript and a College catalog. In addition, students seeking admission to the Nursing major must submit a statement indicating the reason they wish to transfer and provide copies of all nursing course syllabi. Upper division non-nursing courses taken on a CR/NC or P/F basis will be accepted only if the granting institution evaluates this option as a grade of C or above. The course hours will be counted towards graduation, but will not be calculated in the GPA.

Non-Degree Seeking Students
For those students who do not wish to pursue a degree but want to audit or earn academic credit for a course, admission as a "non-degree seeking" student is an option in accordance with current College policy. Once registered for the course, non-degree seeking students are subject to all College policies.

General Pre-Licensure BSN Curricular Option

St. John's College is a single-purpose upper division institution offering a baccalaureate degree in nursing. Students who have successfully completed a pre-nursing, liberal arts component at another College, Community College or University are admitted to St. John's pre-licensure program as College juniors to complete the nursing curriculum.

Prior to entering St. John's College, students complete 56** semester hours of lower-division course work at another accredited College or University. Cooperative contracts exist for completion of the lower-division prerequisites and for transfer of credit to St. John's College with two Colleges: Lincoln College and Lincoln Land Community College. However, you may choose to attend one of the 43 institutions which have been evaluated for transfer credit. Information regarding transfer/accreditation is available. Contact the College for advisement.

New Pre-Licensure Curriculum Coming Fall 2013

St. John's College anticipates the approval and implementation of a new Pre-Licensure BSN curriculum in the Fall of 2013. General Pre-Licensure BSN applicants and Accelerated BSN applicants are both affected by the new curriculum. We are proud to continue to bring our students the best quality education to maintain our tradition of excellence in nursing education which spans more than a century.

Prior to entering St. John's College, in the Fall of 2013 or later, students will complete 56 semester hours of lower-division course work at another accredited College or university. Cooperative contracts exist for completion of the lower-division prerequisites and for transfer of credit to St. John's College with two Colleges: Lincoln College and Lincoln Land Community College. However, you may choose to attend one of the 43 institutions which have been evaluated for transfer credit. Information regarding transfer/accreditation is available. Contact the College for advisement.

How does this affect me?
Pre-requisite requirements have not changed.

Lower Division Pre-Nursing Requirements

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
English Composition	6
Intro to Philosophy or Logic	3
Anatomy & Physiology with Lab	8
Chemistry with Lab	4
Nutrition	3
Microbiology with Lab	4
General Psychology	3
Intro to Sociology	3
Lifespan Growth & Development	3
Political Science	3
Intro to Statistics	3
Communications/Humanities Electives*	6
General Electives*	7
Total Sem. Hrs.	56

*An additional thirteen (13) semester hours of electives must be completed. Six (6) of these hours must be from the Communications/Humanities area of study. Seven (7) semester hours may be from any area of study.

General Pre-licensure Tuition & Fees 2012-2013

General Pre-licensure Tuition: Full Time: $7,515.00 **per semester**
Part Time: $626.00/ **credit hour** (11 credit hours or less)

FEES:

Application Fee: $60.00

Full Time/ **year**	**Junior**	**Senior**
Health	$40.00	$40.00
Library	$50.00	$50.00
Activity	$86.00	$86.00
Technology	$184.00	$184.00
Laboratory Fee	$158.00	$34.00
Testing*	$408.00	$204.00
Graduation (estimated)	$0.00	$225.00

Part Time - ½ of Full Time fees

*A non-refundable fee after the first day of fall classes; effective with the class entering Fall 2012.

Full time student charges **per year:**

	Junior Year 2012/2013 (Full Time)	Senior Year 2012/2013 (Full Time)
Tuition:	$15,030.00	$15,030.00
Fees:	$926.00	$598.00

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