

# ACCELERATED SECOND DEGREE BSN PROGRAM (ASDNU)

The Marion Peckham Egan School of Nursing and Health Studies offers an accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree for individuals who hold a bachelor's degree in a field other than nursing. The program begins in May and continues through graduation in August of the following year: a total of 15 months.

The Accelerated Second Degree BSN Program (ASDNU) is designed to draw on your prior education and experience while allowing you to earn a second bachelor's degree in an accelerated format. This previous knowledge serves as a foundation for nursing courses and helps you develop the social awareness, critical thinking skills, aesthetic sensibility and values that prepare you to sit for the NCLEX licensing exam. The program will empower you to become a leader in the nursing field.

## Admission

Admission is competitive and all students must have a minimum GPA of 3.00 to enter as a nursing major. Students must complete an application to begin nursing courses. Admission is done on a rolling basis.

## Core Requirements

Applicants must meet the University's core course requirements. Course requirements in the liberal arts and required supportive courses can be met by challenge examinations, transfer credits from other academic institutions, or enrollment in specific courses. Courses are accepted in transfer from other accredited colleges and universities on the basis of a satisfactory (C or better) academic record and course equivalency.

## Prerequisite Course Requirements

The Egan School suggests that all prerequisite courses be completed within 10 years prior to the first nursing course. Applicants normally have completed science courses with grades of A or B in the last three to five years. Acceptance of credit is at the discretion of the Program Director and Dean. Students are expected to review course material to ensure that their knowledge of the subject matter is current. Students can maximize their potential for success in the nursing program with a strong foundation that is provided by these courses.

## Residency Requirement

A minimum of 60 credits, including credits in nursing, must be completed at Fairfield University. In addition, the last 30 credits for the degree must be taken at Fairfield University.

## Credit from International Programs

Students completing coursework outside the United States must submit certified English transcripts and course-by-course evaluation of all academic records. Information may be obtained from World Education Services (800-937-3895 or info@wes.org).

## Requirements

### Second Degree Core Courses and Prerequisites

Code	Title	Credits
Core Requirements: Required for a liberal arts degree at Fairfield University, before starting the program, all ASDNU students must have completed four courses or 12 credits, in any combination, in these subject areas with a grade of C or better:		
English, Ethics, History, Languages, Philosophy, Religion, Visual & Performing Arts		12
<b>Prerequisites</b> <sup>1</sup>		
Courses require a grade of B or better.		
BIOL 1107 & 1107L	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Lab	4
BIOL 1108 & 1108L	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Lab	4
BIOL 1151 & 1151L	Elements of Microbiology and Elements of Microbiology Lab	4
CHEM 1184	General Chemistry for Health Science	3
CHEM 1184L	General Chemistry for Health Science Lab	1
PSYC 1110	Lifespan Development	3
Select one course in Statistics		3
<b>General Electives</b>		
Select 12 elective courses		36
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>70</b>

<sup>1</sup> Selected prerequisite requirements may be met through challenge exams or transfer of credit from approved academic institutions.

### Second Degree Nursing Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
NURS 1110	Introduction to Professional Nursing	3
NURS 1112	Healthcare Delivery Systems	3
NURS 2270	Health Assessment	4
NURS 2272	Geriatric Nursing	4
NURS 2303	Basic Pathophysiology and Pharmacology	3
NURS 3301	Health and Wellness	3
NURS 3305	Mental Health Nursing	4
NURS 3307	Fundamentals of Nursing Care	4
NURS 3310	Foundations of Research for Evidence Based Practice	3
NURS 3312	Medical Surgical Nursing I	5
NURS 3314	Maternal and Newborn Nursing	4
NURS 4321	Professional Nursing Leadership	3
NURS 4323	Pediatric Nursing	4
NURS 4325	Medical Surgical Nursing II	5
NURS 4330	Population Health	4
NURS 4332	Transition to Professional Nursing	4
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60</b>

## Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Summer</b>		
NURS 1110	Introduction to Professional Nursing	3
NURS 1112	Healthcare Delivery Systems	3
NURS 2270	Health Assessment	4
NURS 2272	Geriatric Nursing	4
NURS 3307	Fundamentals of Nursing Care	4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Fall</b>		
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NURS 3305	Mental Health Nursing	4
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<b>Spring</b>		
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## January Start - Texas Only

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## Locations

### Main Campus

Fairfield University  
1073 North Benson Road  
Fairfield, Connecticut 06824  
203-254-4000

### Additional Location

Fairfield University  
7951 Shoal Creek Boulevard  
Austin, Texas 78757  
203-404-1739