

Ochsner Accelerated BSN Program

UL Lafayette · Ochsner Accelerated BSN Program Frequently Asked Questions

What is the UL Lafayette • Ochsner Accelerated BSN Program?

The program is a partnership between the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and Ochsner Health that's designed to address a critical – and growing – demand for registered nurses.

Who is the program for?

UL Lafayette \cdot Ochsner Accelerated BSN Program is for individuals who hold a bachelor's degree in any field who want to earn a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

Who directs the program?

Students in the UL Lafayette · Ochsner Accelerated BSN Program will enroll in the College of Nursing & Health Sciences and its LHC Group · Myers School of Nursing. Clinical rotations will occur at Ochsner Health facilities.

How many hours does the program require?

The program requires 120 credit hours to complete – 70 credit hours of nursing courses and 50 credit hours of general education prerequisites.

Will credits transfer from my previous bachelor's degree?

Yes, transfer credits for general education courses completed during the student's previous bachelor's degree program may be applied to the Accelerated BSN Program. The number of prerequisites needed for the program will vary depending on how many required courses a student took during their previous bachelor's degree program. Science courses expire after 10 years.

How quickly can I earn my BSN degree?

That depends. Nursing courses can be completed in 15 months, but prerequisites have to be completed beforehand. Some general education credits from your previous bachelor's degree may transfer and that will enable you to start your 15-month accelerated nursing program more quickly.



Who qualifies for the program?

Students who completed a bachelor's degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university with at least a 3.0 GPA may apply.

Who covers tuition costs?

Ochsner will invest \$2.8 million in the Accelerated BSN program for faculty and staff support and operational expenses. The investment also covers student tuition for nursing courses; students will cover costs for prerequisites. In exchange, program participants must contractually commit to work for Ochsner for three years after graduation.

When does the program begin?

The College of Nursing & Health Sciences plans to offer the program's second cohort nursing courses beginning in May 2025. However, applicants must complete prerequisites before they begin nursing courses, so it's important that potential students apply as soon as possible.

When is the deadline to apply?

Deadline is February 1st, 2024. Visit nursing.louisiana.edu for more information on courses and pre-requisites.

How do I apply?



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