SCHOOL OF NURSING
UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

ACCELERATED BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (ABSN) PREREQUISITES

- A minimum of 3 Natural World courses with a minimum GPA of 3.0 in each course must be completed at time of application; all prerequisites must be completed prior to enrollment
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 required for Natural World prerequisites and an overall cumulative GPA of 2.8 for all college coursework
- All prerequisites must be completed by the end of Spring Quarter prior to the Summer Quarter start.
- Multiply semester hour credits by 1.5 to convert to quarter hour credits.
- Read our tips for evaluating your transcripts.
- Transfer students can find additional help using the UW Equivalency Guide for Washington Community and Technical Colleges.

Prerequisite Category	Credits	Notes	Sample UW Courses	List Your Courses Semester credit x 1.5 = quarter credit
STATISTICS COURSE – One course/3 quarter credit hours				
One Statistics course	3-4	This should be a basic course in descriptive and inferential statistics. See the UW School of Nursing's list of Approved Statistics Courses offered at other schools.	STAT 220, EDPSYCH 490, QMETH 201	1.
NATURAL WORLD (NW) – Minimum of 6 courses/28 quarter credit hours. **For UW students:** 9 courses/33 credits.				
Chemistry General Chemistry (one or more courses depending on school) AND One Organic Chemistry course **UW students take 3 courses**	10/15	UW students must take 3 courses: **CHEM 120, 220 and 221** **Applicants completing at other schools** are often required to complete a **General Chemistry series** to be eligible to take Organic Chemistry. **Must take 1-2 (or more) courses for General Chemistry; 1 quarter/semester of Organic Chemistry okay** (Organic Chemistry **series** not required)	CHEM 120, 220 and 221	1. 2. 3.
Human Anatomy and Physiology UW Students take 3 courses: BIOL 118 & 119, BSTR 301	10	Most schools offer a 2-quarter sequence of Anatomy and Physiology. UW students take Physiology lecture course, Physiology lab and a separate Anatomy course.	Biological Structure 301 and Biology 118 and 119	1. 2.
General Microbiology, including Microbiology lab.	5	At many schools the lab is included as part of the general Microbiology class. If not, you should enroll in separate lab course. UW students must take MICRON 301 and 302.	MICROM 301 AND 302	1. 2. (Separate lab course required if General Microbiology does not include lab; applies to UW)
Nutrition	3	Course should cover special nutritional needs for different groups, food composition (some chemistry), and diseases caused by nutritional deficiencies.	NUTR 300	1.
Recommended: One general Biology course to be completed before taking Microbiology and Chemistry. Many schools already require this; the UW is an exception.				
LIFESPAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT – One course/5 quarter credit hours				
One course in **Lifespan Growth and Development**	5	This course is typically found in Psychology Departments (UW is an exception). May be called Developmental Psychology through the Lifespan. **This course must cover the whole lifespan, from birth to death (not just children).**	NURS 201	1.

TOTAL REQUIRED PREREQUISITE CREDITS: 36 – 41