

FAQs - ABSN

Question: Do all prerequisites need to be completed prior to applying to the ABSN, or can I have in-progress coursework on my transcript?

Answer: Preference is given to applicants who have completed all the admission requirements. Prospective students who are in the final stages of finishing their prerequisites, CNA, or bachelor's degree may apply, and their candidacy will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Question: Would another certification work instead of the CNA, such as an EMT license or CMA?

Answer: We will accept a practical nursing license (LPN or LVN) in place of the CNA. Other licensures or certifications are helpful to strengthen applicants' competitiveness for admission, but a CNA certificate is still required. The CNA course teaches important foundational hands-on nursing skills that students will build upon immediately in the accelerated BSN program.

Question: How many students are admitted?

Answer: Sixteen students are admitted to each cohort. We admit two cohorts per year.

Question: Will I have time to work during the program?

Answer: We do not recommend working during the ABSN program.

Question: Can I have my transcripts reviewed to make sure my courses satisfy the prerequisites?

Answer: Yes! Contact online@bushnell.edu to connect with an enrollment advisor.

Question: Is on-campus housing available?

Answer: On-campus student housing is available on a limited basis. Interested students should contact online@bushnell.edu for more details. Bushnell is located in the University neighborhood in Eugene, and there are many student rental options close to campus.



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Question: Where will students complete clinical practice hours?

Answer: We're pleased to be able to provide student clinical placements in a variety of settings. Students can expect their clinical experiences to coordinate with classroom content to reinforce key concepts and provide a rich learning experience. Clinical sites may include inpatient acute care hospital, in-and outpatient mental health, outpatient hospital clinics, sub-acute and long-term adult care, and a variety of community sites such as schools, public health, and corrections. Students can expect the majority of clinical hours to be days or evenings but should anticipate that night and weekend shifts could also occur.

Question: Do I need to be a Christian to apply? How is faith integrated into this program?

Answer: Bushnell is a Christ-centered university, and we welcome students from all faith backgrounds. There is no admission preference given to applicants based on their religious beliefs. As part of the university's core values, undergraduates are required to complete coursework in Biblical studies. Rather than having students take separate Bible courses, the ABSN program integrates this study into specific areas of their nursing curriculum, such as leadership, ethics, and personal calling.

Question: What makes a strong application?

Answer: We consider applicants holistically, taking many factors into account. That being said, generally strong applicants have one or more of the following:

- Strong grades in the prerequisite courses (especially the science core).
- Compelling, well-written essays.
- Relevant work experience in health care.



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