

Additional Admission Requirements

The admission to the RN-BSN is a competitive admission. Students will be granted admission according to their qualifications and completeness of their application packet.

Applicants must:

1. Be a graduate of a nursing accredited associate degree or diploma program in nursing.
2. Have a current, unrestricted US Registered Nurse license (unless new graduate in which proof is required prior to second semester of RN to BSN course work).
3. Obtain a Georgia Board of Nursing registered nurse license prior to enrollment into any clinical nursing courses (offered the 2nd semester).
4. Meet all admission criteria for Darton State College and be admitted in "good" standing with the College. (Note: *Admission to the College must be completed by the nursing application deadline*)
5. Have a minimum transfer core GPA of 3.0 (based on a 4.0 scale) to be considered for admission. (Note: *Grades in Nursing and Science courses will be examined as part of the competitive application process*) Lower division nursing course work may be utilized to configure GPA.
6. Complete and sign the "Application for Admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Completion Program".
(Note: *Applications will not be considered complete unless all materials are received by the deadline (printed on Application form). These materials are described on the application and include: letters of reference, essay, and your signature*). Upon acceptance into the RN to BSN completion program, a criminal background check will be required by the School of Nursing prior to any clinical courses. The student will be responsible for the expense of the background check.
7. Print and use the recommendation form supplied by Darton State College (found on the Darton State College nursing website). Ask the person writing the recommendation to place the completed form in an envelope with their signature on the back seal. Please return the envelopes with your application packet.
8. Applicant must not have been excluded/dismissed from any other nursing program for any reason, including (but not limited to) academic misconduct, disruptive/unprofessional behavior, or program failure. A nursing course failure in another institution counts as a failure in this institution.
9. A potential interview may be scheduled between the student and the BSN Program Coordinator after all application materials have been received. The interview may be used in the selection process of RN to BSN applicants. This interview is not a guarantee of admission into the RN to BSN completion program
10. Health Requirements: After acceptance into the nursing program and prior to starting any clinical courses in the nursing program the following are required: (a) immunization requirements including measles, rubella, and hepatitis B; (b) tuberculosis screening; (c) current American Heart Association CPR for Health Care Providers' certification; (d) health professions student liability insurance; and (e) personal health insurance. Personal health insurance is a requirement of the Board of Regents for students in the health care professions. If a student does not have personal health insurance, they will be billed through Darton State College.
11. Successfully complete 61 semester hours of core curriculum prior to acceptance into the program (see section 4.f. for Core Curriculum; see Darton State College Academic Catalog for details on specific courses).