

- There is no expiration date for prerequisite courses. It is acceptable to retake a course to improve the grade, or to refresh the course content.
- The required **minimum overall cumulative** GPA (all courses for all schools attended) for the BSN program is a 2.0. However, the Natural Science courses must meet the GPA listed below that is required at time of applying and meet the required GPA to start the program.
- **REQUIRED TO APPLY:** A minimum of 3 Natural Sciences courses with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, or 4 Natural Sciences courses with a minimum GPA of 2.8
- **REQUIRED TO START:** You must complete all remaining prerequisites listed on this worksheet and have at least 60 semester/90 quarter credits before your start date. Must be completed by the end of summer quarter, prior to the autumn start date. Must maintain a cumulative 2.8 GPA for all 6 Natural Science courses.
- A minimum grade of 2.0 is required in each prerequisite course.
- Transfer students can find additional help using the [UW Equivalency Guide for Washington Community and Technical Colleges](#). Students with a Direct Transfer Agreement associate degree from a Washington state community college should refer to the [Transfer Associate Degree Agreement page](#) about counting courses for Areas of Inquiry
- Students who have taken an AP or IB exam can refer to the UW policy regarding the awarding of UW credit for [AP scores](#) or [IB scores](#)

PREREQUISITE CATEGORY

LIST YOUR COURSES

INCLUDE: Course name/number, where/when taken, # of credits, final grade

COMMUNICATIONS – Written Communications: 2 courses/8-10 quarter hour credits

ENGLISH COMPOSITION (5 quarter credits) Emphasize how to organize and express your ideas effectively. *Minimum required grade: 2.0/C*

UW Sample Courses: [ENGL 111](#), [121](#), [131](#)

WRITING “W” OR AN ADDITIONAL ENGLISH COMPOSITION COURSE (3-5 quarter credits) A course that requires submitting 1-2 long papers or several shorter papers, which are graded on punctuation, style, grammar and content. Typically, a revision of a paper is required. *Minimum required grade: 2.0/C*

UW Sample Courses: [ENGL 281](#), [HSTAA 231](#), [PHIL 100](#), [PHIL 240](#)

REASONING (RSN) (FORMERLY QUANTITATIVE AND SYMBOLIC REASONING (QSR)) – 2 courses/7-10 quarter hour credits

COLLEGE-LEVEL MATH OR PHILISOPHY LOGIC (4-5 quarter credits) Evaluate and effectively use information utilizing symbolic and/or numeric methods

*Includes college-level algebra, calculus, or precalculus. Remedial math courses such as intermediate algebra will **NOT** count. *Minimum required grade: 2.0/C.*

Sample UW courses: [MATH 111](#), [120](#), [124](#), [PHIL 115](#), [120](#)

STATISTICS (3-4 quarter credits) This should be a basic course in descriptive and inferential statistics. *Minimum required grade: 2.0/C.*

UW Sample Courses: [STAT220](#), [EDPSY490](#), [QMETH201](#)

NAURAL SCIENCES (NSc) (FORMERLY NATURAL WORLD (NW)) – Minimum of 6 courses/28 quarter credits. For UW students: 9 courses/33 quarter hour credits

1. GENERAL CHEMISTRY (5-10 quarter credits) Single or General Chemistry series. Course/series combining chemistry subjects **do not** meet this prerequisite, course must focus *only* on General Chemistry. Applicants completing these courses are often required to take a General Chemistry series to be eligible to take Organic Chemistry.

Sample UW course: [CHEM 120](#). [CHEM 142](#), [152](#), [162](#)

2. ORGANIC CHEMISTRY (5-10 quarter credits) Single course or Organic Chemistry series.

Sample UW course: [CHEM 220](#) and [CHEM 221](#). [CHEM 237](#), [238](#), [239](#)

Students who take CHEM 220 at UW must also take CHEM 221 to meet this requirement.

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Natural Science (NSc) courses, continued

3. HUMAN ANATOMY/HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY PART I (5 quarter credits) Can be taken as a series (such as A&P 1 and II) or individual courses in each subject matter (course in Human Anatomy, course in Human Physiology). Sample UW courses: NURS 301	
4. HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY/HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY PART II (5 quarter credits) Can be taken as a series (such as A&P 1 and II) or individual courses in each subject matter (course in Human Anatomy, course in Human Physiology). Sample UW courses: BIOL 118 and BIOL 119 <i>Students who take BIOL 118 at UW, must also take BIOL 119 to meet this requirement</i>	
5. GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY At many schools the lab is included as part of the general Micro class. If not, you should enroll in a separate lab course. UW students must take MICROM 301 and 302. (Separate lab course required if General Microbiology does not include lab; applies to UW). Sample UW Course: MICROM301 (Lecture) and 302 (Lab)	
6. NUTRITION This course should cover special nutritional needs for different groups, food composition (some chemistry), and diseases caused by nutritional deficiencies. Sample UW Course: NUTR200	

SOCIAL SCIENCES (SSc) (FORMERLY INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETY (I&S)) – 15 quarter hour credits

LIFESPAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT (5 quarter credits) May also be called Developmental Psychology, Lifespan Psychology, or a similar title. This course must cover the whole human lifespan, from birth to death. Sample UW Course: NURS201	
SSc Course 2 and Course 3 (min. 10 quarter credits) SSC courses focus on the history, development and/or dynamics of human behavior; and social and cultural institutions and practices. Examples include: ethnic studies, history, international studies, psychology, sociology, anthropology and women's studies. <i>Minimum required grade: 2.0/C</i> Sample UW Course: NMETH210	
Post-Baccalaureate applicants: It is assumed that you have fulfilled the additional 10-credits of SSc courses during your prior degree.	

ARTS AND HUMANITIES (A&H) (FORMERLY VISUAL, LITERARY AND PERFORMING ARTS (VLPA)) -15 quarter hour credits

A&H Course 1, Course 2 and Course 3 (Min. 15 quarter credits) A&H courses focus on the history, interpretation, criticism and practice of the arts (e.g., art history, comparative literature, dance, English, music, speech and literature). <i>Minimum required grade: 2.0/C</i>	
100-level foreign language credits may be used for A&H only under the following circumstances: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Students who complete the third quarter of the sequence (e.g. Spanish 101, 102, and 103) may count all 100-level credits as A&H. Students who earn a Direct Transfer Agreement associate degree from a Washington state community college prior to starting the BSN program may count 5 credits of 100-level foreign language as A&H, per the Transfer Associate Degree Agreement. 	
Post-Baccalaureate applicants: It is assumed that you have fulfilled the additional 15-credits of A&H courses during your prior degree.	
TOTAL REQUIRED PREREQUISITE CREDITS: 74-81	
ALSO REQUIRED: Electives to complete a minimum TOTAL of 90 quarter credit hours	

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