

**RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE – SCHOOL OF NURSING  
REQUIREMENTS & PROCESS FOR APPLICATION**

**Fall Application:**

Students who anticipate enrolling in the beginning nursing courses, Nursing 220, Nursing 222 and Nursing 225 for the Fall 2024 semester need to submit a completed *Nursing Program Application* by April 15, 2024. All admission requirements must be completed by the end of the spring semester.

**Minimum Requirements to Apply to the BSN Program:**

1. Students must be admitted to Rhode Island College and be an Intended Nursing Major.
2. Completion of Rhode Island College Mathematics Competency & Writing Requirement. \*
3. Completion of or enrollment in Biology 231, Chemistry 106 and Psychology 230 with a minimum grade of C in each course and a minimum overall grade point average of 2.67 (B-) in these 3 courses.
4. **A minimum RIC cumulative grade point average of 3.0** for students who have taken any RIC courses.  
**For second degree and transfer students, a weighted cumulative GPA of all courses taken at any college must also be at least 3.0.**

The GPA minimum requirement of a 3.0 must be met at the time of application and at the end of the semester. The minimum cognate GPA requirement will be reviewed at the end of the spring semester once grades are posted.

\*Refer to the *Bulletin of Rhode Island College Catalog* for descriptions of the Math Competency and Writing Requirements.

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**Application Process:**

All students:

1. Complete the Nursing Program Application electronically and email the application to your advisor, along with the following documents:
  - A copy of your current Rhode Island College transcript
  - Attach **all transcripts** with grades for **all courses** taken at any other college - an unofficial or legible student copy is acceptable.
  - Highlight **all attempts** at Biology 231, Chemistry 106, and Psychology 230, including withdrawals or repeated attempts.
2. Make an appointment with your advisor to discuss your application. Your advisor will then submit your application and transcripts electronically.

Nursing Transfer Students:

Students transferring from other nursing programs are required to forward a letter of good standing from the previous nursing program to the School of Nursing Undergraduate Program Director.

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**Completed applications with attached transcripts must be submitted electronically to your advisor for review prior to submission at [NursingAdmissions@ric.edu](mailto:NursingAdmissions@ric.edu). All applications and related forms must be submitted electronically via your RIC email to your academic advisor. Applications are due to the School of Nursing by April 15, 2024.**

If you do not receive an email from the School of Nursing confirming receipt of your application, it was not received. Contact your advisor right away.

A student may withdraw their application no later than May 13th, 2024 at 4 pm by electronically submitting the SON Application Withdrawal form, available on the School of Nursing website <https://www.ric.edu/documents/nursing-program-application-withdrawal-formpdf> to [NursingAdmissions@ric.edu](mailto:NursingAdmissions@ric.edu). Students currently taking courses at schools other than RIC must submit an updated transcript to [NursingAdmissions@ric.edu](mailto:NursingAdmissions@ric.edu). Make sure your name and the college's name are on the transcript.

Admission to the basic baccalaureate nursing program is competitive. **Students can apply to the School of Nursing a total of three times.** The review of applicant records is a comprehensive process and includes review of all grades in cognates required for admission (PSYC 230, BIOL 231 and CHEM 106) and overall GPA with preference given to those applicants with the highest records of academic achievement. The School of Nursing reserves the right to consider other factors in admissions decisions. Each application is considered in relation to other applicants applying at the same time without regard to previous applications. Preference is given to students initially admitted to the college as freshmen.

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**NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.*

Present address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
*City State Zip*

Mailing address if different from above:  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_ RIC Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Declared Intended Nursing Major at RIC: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Transfer Student: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes, transcripts for all courses included: Yes \_\_\_

Second Degree Student: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Presidential Scholar: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Previously applied to SON: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, number of previous applications: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently taking courses? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If so, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Previously enrolled in another nursing program: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes: Program(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative RIC GPA \_\_\_\_\_

If transfer or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree student, weighted cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_  
 (see worksheet on back)

<b>- For Office Use Only -</b>
Date Received _____
____ Advisor signature
____ Enrolled at RIC
____ Declared Nursing Major at RIC
____ Current RIC transcript (student copy)
____ Transcripts with grades for all coursework taken elsewhere.

Cognate grades: include **ALL** attempts of each course including withdrawals. Specify dates taken and grades received for each course. A minimum grade of C in each course and a minimum overall grade point average of 2.67 (B-) in these three courses are required.

	<b>Date(s) Completed or Date Expected to Complete</b>	<b>School(s) Where Course was Taken</b>	<b>Grade(s)</b>
Anatomy (BIOL 231)	_____	_____	_____
Human Development (PSYC 230)	_____	_____	_____
General, Organic & Biological Chemistry II (CHEM 106)	_____	_____	_____

Date Math Competency Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Writing Competency Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the RIC SON requirements and process for application.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**WORKSHEET TO CALCULATE WEIGHTED GPA  
FACULTY USE ONLY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Use this worksheet for transfer students and second degree students who have taken courses at more than one college.** Students with international transcripts must meet with the BSN Program Director to determine weighted GPA. **For basic and transfer students, courses older than 10 years are not considered in the weighted GPA.**

Using the transcript from each college attended:

1. Add **points** (sometimes labelled “**quality points**”) from all colleges attended.
2. Add **GPA units** (sometimes labelled “**GPA hours**”) from all colleges.
3. Divide the total points by the total GPA units to get the weighted GPA.

College Name	Cumulative GPA	Quality Points or Points	GPA Units
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____

$$\text{TOTAL:} \quad \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Sum of points}} \div \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Sum of GPA Units}} = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Weighted GPA}}$$

For Admissions Committee Use only

College Name	Cumulative GPA	Quality Points	GPA Units
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____
_____	_____	+ _____	+ _____

$$\text{TOTAL:} \quad \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Sum of points}} \div \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Sum of GPA units}} = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Weighted GPA}}$$