

Requirements for Nursing

2021– 2022

More than ever, the healthcare profession depends on highly educated nurses to provide expert nursing care and management. At Elmhurst, you'll develop not only a full range of cutting-edge skills, but also the imagination, flexibility and compassion you'll need on the front lines of patient care.

Elmhurst nursing graduates are awarded the Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing (BSN). They are then eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), which enables them to receive their licenses as registered nurses (RNs).

The Elmhurst University Nursing program requires an application separate from that for admission to the university. This guide provides details on the application process and the program requirements. The prerequisite courses are listed in the back along with their course equivalencies at many of the area's community colleges. For additional information about the transfer process please reach out to the Office of Admission.

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Admission Requirements for Nursing Program

Students must meet the following criteria in order to be considered for admission to the nursing program:

- i. A cumulative grade-point average of 2.8 or higher
- ii. Most of the 12 prerequisite courses completed
 - A. A 2.8 or greater science combined grade-point average in the first four prerequisite science courses to be eligible for admission and maintain at least a 2.8 science combined grade-point average with the fifth required science course to continue in the nursing major (BIO 107, 108, 221, CHM 101 and 103); **Students may only repeat one of these courses to remove a W or improve a grade of C or lower.**
 - B. Completion of (or enrollment in) non-science prerequisite courses. These courses are: ENG 105 (Composition 1), ENG 106 (Composition 2); PSY 210 (Intro to Psych), PSY 315 (Lifespan Development), PSY 327 (Abnormal Psych), one college-level mathematics course, one statistics course. **Students may repeat only one of these courses to remove a W or improve a grade less than C. (Student may not repeat a grade of C for the non-science prerequisite courses).**
- iii. A passing score of 70% on *each area* of the HESI Admission Assessment (A2) or TEAS exam. Sections required are: Reading, Math, and Anatomy & Physiology
- iv. Completion of the nursing application for the Department of Nursing and Health Sciences and other required supplemental materials (a personal statement and two letters of recommendation from professors). Please refer to the nursing website at www.elmhurst.edu/nursing for full instructions.
- v. A letter of recommendation from the director(s)/dean(s) of all nursing programs previously attended. This applies to those who have completed courses or are currently enrolled in nursing courses.
- vi. Victoria Smith

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. Q: When is the deadline to apply to the Nursing program?

A: January 11, 2021

2. Q: Is the Nursing program offered in the fall and spring?

A: The nursing program has a fall start only

3. Q: How many prerequisites should I have done in order to apply?

A: The nursing department prioritizes candidates based on GPA, number of prerequisites completed and grades earned in prerequisite courses. It is recommended to have at least 4 of the 5 science prerequisites completed, as well as, 5 or 6 of the non science prerequisites completed at the time of application.

Note: All of the prerequisites must be completed by the time you start the Nursing Program

4. Q: How many students apply to the nursing program?

A: The nursing department receives around 115 applications a year.

5. Q: How many students are admitted to the nursing program?

A: 64 students are admitted to the nursing program each year

6. Q: How can I sign up to take the HESI exam at Elmhurst University?

A: To sign up for the HESI exam at Elmhurst University email Laura Brennan at brennanl@elmhurst.edu. The HESI exam is offered in November, December and January on Elmhurst University's campus.

7. Q: Do I have to apply to the Nursing program and Elmhurst University

separately?

A: Yes, admission to Elmhurst University is separate from admission to the nursing program. You will need to submit an application to Elmhurst University to be considered for admission to the University in addition to your nursing application. Admission to the University does not guarantee admission to the nursing program.

City Colleges of Chicago

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 226 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 227 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | MICRO 233 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 121 or 201 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 212 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 201 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 224 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSYCH 213 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 125 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 118 or above |

College Of DuPage

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | ANAT/PHYS 1551 or 1571 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | ANAT/PHYS 1552 or 1572 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | MICRO 1420 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHEMI 1211 or 1551 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHEMI 1212 and CHEMI 2213* |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSYCH 1100 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSYCH 2237 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSYCH 2260 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENGLI 1101 & ENGLI 1102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics, PSY 355 | MATH 1635, PSYCH 2280 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MATH 1108 ≥ 1218 |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at COD, then only complete CHEMI 1212 OR CHEMI 2213.

College Of Lake County

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 244 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 245 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 246 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 120 or CHM 121 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 125 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 121 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 220 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 223 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 121 & ENG 122 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 142 or 222 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 122 or Above |

Elgin Community College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 245 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 246 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 265 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 112 or 142 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | BIO110 and CHM170* |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 100 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 218 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 216 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 120 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 101 or Above 112 |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at ECC, then only complete CHM 170.

Harper College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 160 Anatomy * |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 161 Physiology * |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 130 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 100 or 110 or 121 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 201** |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 228 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 230 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 165 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 101 or Above |

* Need to complete the entire year sequence at Harper.

**MUST take Microbiology at Harper for this course to substitute fully for CHM 103

Joliet Junior College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 250 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 251 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 240 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHEM 100 or 101 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHEM 108 & 212, or CHEM 210 & 212 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSYC 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSYC 215 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSYC 205 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MATH 128 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MATH 127 or Above |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at JJC, then only complete CHEM 108 OR CHEM 212

McHenry County College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 263 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 264 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 255 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 164 OR 165 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 170 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 151 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 250 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 275 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 151 & ENG 152 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MAT 220 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MAT 161 or Above |

Moraine Valley Community College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 180 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 181 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 119 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 111 or 131 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | *see below* |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 104 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 205 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | COM 101 & COM 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 139 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 120 or Above 141 |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at MVCC, select one additional chemistry course with lab other than CHM 111 or 131.

Morton College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | | Equivalent Courses |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 103 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 104 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 212 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 100 or 101 or 105 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | *see below* |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 215 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 202 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MAT 141 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MAT 105 or Above |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at MC, select one additional chemistry course with lab.

Oakton Community College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | Equivalent Courses |
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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 231 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 232 or 234 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 251 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 105 or 121 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 207 <i>and</i> CHM 229* |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 120 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 203 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | EGL 101 & EGL 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MAT 131 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MAT 122 or Above |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at OCC, then complete only CHM 207 OR CHM 229

Prairie State College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | Equivalent Courses |
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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIOL 221 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIOL 222 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIOL 211 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHEM 105 or 110 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | *see below* |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSYCH 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSYCH 102 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 203 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MATH 115 or 153 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MATH 112 or Above 151 |

*If planning to complete the Microbiology course at Prairie State, select one additional chemistry course with lab other than CHEM 105 or 110.

South Suburban College

| Elmhurst University Requirements | Equivalent Courses |
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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 185 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 186 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 224 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 111 or 113 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 205 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 101 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 211 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 206 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 126 or 211 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 115 or Above 161 |

Triton College

Elmhurst University Requirements

Equivalent Courses

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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIS 240 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIS 241 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIS 222 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 140 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 132 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 100 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | EDU 206 |
| PSY 327 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 238 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | RHT 101 & RHT 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MAT 170 |
| Additional Math Courses | | One course from MAT 101, 102 or 110 or above |

Waubonsee Community College

Elmhurst University Requirements

Equivalent Courses

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| BIO 107 | Anat & Phys I | BIO 270 |
| BIO 108 | Anat & Phys II | BIO 272 |
| BIO 221 | Microbiology | BIO 250 |
| CHM 101 | General Chemistry | CHM 100 and 101 |
| CHM 103 | Elem. Organic & Biochem | CHM 102 |
| PSY 210 | General Psychology | PSY 100 |
| PSY 237 | Abnormal Psychology | PSY 240 |
| PSY 315 | Lifespan Development | PSY 205 |
| ENG 105&106 | English I & English II | ENG 101 & ENG 102 |
| MTH 345 | Statistics | MTH 107 |
| Additional Math Courses | | MTH 110 or Above |