

## **BSN Program Comparison**School of Nursing

Eligibility Requirements	Direct Entry Traditional (4 Year)	Direct Entry Traditional (3 Year)	Accelerated Second Degree	RN to BSN	Co-enrollment Program (Veteran & Non-Veteran)
Student Population	Incoming Freshmen Only	Current Mason Students and Transfer Students	Current Mason Students or Transfer Students with a Bachelor's Degree	Current Mason Students or Transfer Students with an RN License	Current Mason Students or Transfer Students currently enrolled in a partner community college AAS-Nursing Program
Mason Application Deadlines	Early Action November 1  Regular Decision February 1	Prior to January 15	Prior to January 15	Prior to the BSN Application Deadline	Prior to the BSN Application Deadline
BSN Application Deadlines	Early Action November 1  Regular Decision February 1	January 15	January 15	January 15 Fall Admission October 1 Spring Admission	January 15 Fall Admission October 1 Spring Admission
Admission Terms	Fall	Fall	Fall	Fall & Spring	Fall & Spring
Short Answers	Required	Required	Required	Not Required	Not Required
Course Delivery	On Campus	On Campus	On Campus	Online	Online
Program Begins	First semester of freshman year	After completion of nursing courses and Mason Core during the freshman year	After earning Bachelor's degree and completion of nursing prerequisites	After completing AAS-Nursing program & passing NCLEX	As early as second semester of partner community college AAS-Nursing Program
Program Length	Four years	Three Years	12-months (Fall, Spring, Summer)	Flexible: As little as two semesters (ten courses)	Flexible: As early as one semester after graduating from AAS-Nursing program & passing the NCLEX Exam
Completion of Mason Core Courses and Electives <sup>1</sup>	Mason Core and electives will be completed during the program <sup>1</sup>	Minimum of 12-14 credits of Mason Core must be complete by end of Mason's spring semester <sup>1</sup>	Satisfied by prior Bachelor's degree <sup>3</sup>	Required May be satisfied by prior Bachelor's degree <sup>3</sup> or by GAA waiver <sup>2</sup>	Required May be satisfied by prior Bachelor's degree <sup>3</sup> or by GAA waiver <sup>2</sup>

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Nursing Science Prerequisites	Nursing Science Prerequisites will be completed during the program	Anatomy & Physiology I  Complete by the date of application Anatomy & Physiology II  Complete by the end of Mason's spring semester (May 20)	Anatomy & Physiology I Anatomy & Physiology II Microbiology  Two of three courses above complete at time of application AND  Course may not be more than five years old at time program begins  Complete by the end of Mason's spring semester (May 20)  C or better in each course  3.0 prerequisite GPA	Anatomy and Physiology I Anatomy and Physiology II Microbiology RN to BSN: Complete by the end of Mason's • Spring semester (May 20) for fall admission OR • Fall semester (December 15) for spring admission Co-enrollment: Complete by the end of the AAS-Nursing program.	
Additional Nursing Prerequisite Courses	Additional Nursing Prerequisite Courses will be completed during the program	Nutrition Statistics Developmental Psychology  Complete by the end of Mason's spring semester (May 20)	Biomedical Ethics Human Lifespan Development Nutrition Statistics  Complete by the end of Mason's spring semester (May 20) Cor better in each course 3.0 prerequisite GPA	Biomedical Ethics Statistics RN to BSN: Complete Spring semester (Nadmission ORFall semester (Decadmission Co-enrollment: Complete Nas-Nursing program.	May 20) for fall ember 15) for spring ete by the end of the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For a list of Mason Core courses go to: https://masoncore.gmu.edu

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>BSN applicants admitted to Mason under the terms of the Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA) may earn a waiver for the Mason Core courses. Only the Mason Office of Admissions awards the GAA waiver. Please go to <a href="https://www2.gmu.edu/admissions-aid/how-apply/transfer/virginia-guaranteed-admission-agreements">https://www2.gmu.edu/admissions-aid/how-apply/transfer/virginia-guaranteed-admission-agreements</a> for more information about the GAA waiver.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Prior bachelor's degrees earned in the U.S. must come from a regionally accredited institution. A prior bachelor's degree earned internationally must be equivalent to a four-year, U.S. bachelor's degree.