



**Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing  
Office of Enrollment Services**

## **WHATCOM COMMUNITY COLLEGE PREREQUISITE GUIDE FOR NURSING**

Admission to Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing is competitive. The goal of the admission selection process is to form a community of learners with the potential to succeed in a rigorous academic program and develop essential skills required for nursing practice. Meeting the minimum requirements below do not guarantee admission. They are the minimum to be considered for admission.

### Prerequisite course completion requirements:

- A minimum of 11 semester credits (16 quarter credits) in the lab sciences (biology/chemistry, anatomy & physiology, microbiology) and *all other* prerequisite courses must be complete (not in progress) at the time of application for admission consideration.
- Anatomy & physiology, microbiology, and nutrition must be completed within 7 years of the application due date.

### Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements:

- Minimum 3.000 GPA in all prerequisite courses.
- Minimum 3.000 GPA in prerequisite science courses (biology or chemistry, anatomy & physiology, microbiology).
- Minimum 2.700 GPA in prerequisite anatomy & physiology courses. Only one repeated grade for any anatomy or physiology course will be used in the calculation of the minimum GPA requirements. In the case where a student has more than one repeat on a single course, only the grade from the first repeated course will be used. A "W" or withdrawal from either an anatomy or physiology course will be counted as an attempt under this rule.
- All GPA requirements are calculated on prerequisite courses complete at the time of application and must be maintained through the completion of all prerequisite coursework.
- A letter grade of "C" or higher is required. Any coursework graded C- or below, P/NP, or S/U, does not meet prerequisite requirements and will not transfer to Linfield.

### Total credits:

Students must have 62 semester credits (93 quarter credits) of *transferable* coursework complete prior to beginning the program. Courses may be completed at any *regionally* accredited

community college or university. Official evaluation of all transfer credit will be made *after* admission and confirmation into the program. Please be aware that, generally, professional/technical courses will not transfer. Repeated courses (that is, courses with the same content) will only transfer once. Students who have questions about the transferability of any coursework should contact [admission-portland@linfield.edu](mailto:admission-portland@linfield.edu).

Linfield Curriculum (General Education):

Students seeking their first bachelor's degree must also complete Linfield Curriculum (general education) requirements prior to graduation. These may be completed during the nursing program, but *it is recommended that the majority of these courses be completed prior to enrollment*. The prerequisite courses below will satisfy many of the general education requirements, but five areas—Creative Studies (CS), Ultimate Questions (UQ), Vital Past (VP), U.S. Pluralisms (US) and Global Pluralisms (GP)—generally require an additional 3 semester-credit or 4 quarter-credit course.

Whatcom Community College students intending to transfer to Linfield's nursing program must complete the following coursework:

**Writing.** Complete one of the following:

ENGL 201, 202  
ENGL& 102

**Biology (preferred) and/or chemistry with lab.** Complete one of the following sequences:

BIOL& 160 and CHEM& 121, 131  
BIOL& 160 and two of the following: CHEM& 161, 162, 163  
BIOL& 221, 222, 223  
CHEM& 161, 162, 163

**Anatomy and physiology with lab.** Complete both of the following:

BIOL& 241, 242

**Microbiology with lab.** Complete the following:

BIOL& 260

**Nutrition.** Complete the following:

NUTR& 101

**Lifespan developmental psychology.** Complete the following:

PSYC& 200

**Statistics.** Complete the following:

MATH& 146

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