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OU Recruitment & Admissions (R&A)

- The University of Oklahoma is celebrating an increase in enrollment in programs offered by and through the OU Health Campus! As of Fall 2025, we saw a 6% increase in total enrollment. Thank you for your support in advising the future healthcare workforce.
- Our OU Health Campus experienced a name change. Please note our Recruitment & Admissions team continues to serve all seven health related colleges regardless of the geographic location of the student's program.
- [48th Annual Advisors' Symposium](#) – Friday, September 26 | *All Academic Advisors are invited.*
 - Please see the attached save the date! [Registration is open](#) through today, Friday, September 19.
- [See HSC Day](#) – Tuesday, October 28 | *All prospective students and their support systems are invited.*
- Please connect prospective students to ongoing opportunities available at discover.ouhsc.edu.

***Changes approved at the September meeting of the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents.**

Program Modifications are subject to approval by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Fran & Earl Ziegler College of Nursing

- POST-GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN NURSING PROGRAM – PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS & CLARIFICATIONS*
 - 3.0 GPA for the last sixty (60) hours to a cumulative 3.0 GPA;
 - Master of Science in Nursing degree must be from a U.S. regionally accredited institution;
 - The applicant's nursing license must be valid as an Oklahoma or compact state license;
 - Add the graduation requirement of maintaining a 3.0 GPA or higher in all graduate coursework and clarify that the number of credit hours with a grade of "C" cannot exceed 25% of the total letter graded coursework;
 - The completion of a research methodology course has been removed as an admissions requirement;
 - The completion of a graduate or undergraduate general statistics course requirement has been removed;
 - Admission interviews are now required.
 - Information for international applicants has been clarified. The language is as follows:
 - The LPN-BSN, RN-BSN, MSN, Post-Graduate Certificates, PhD, and DNP programs in the OU College of Nursing are hybrid and/or online or part-time programs. The F-1 visa regulations require in-person courses, and these programs do not meet those requirements. Thus, international students are not accepted for these programs (LPN-BSN, RN-BSN, MSN, Post-Graduate Certificates, PhD, and DNP). International students are only eligible to apply for the ABSN and TBSN pathways as they have in-person requirements.
 - The requirement of submitting three (3) reference letters has been removed;
 - Clarified the timing of obtaining the RN licensure for enrollment. For degree types, the timing is as follows:
 - Undergraduate Program Students
 - Students in the RN-BSN program must hold an unencumbered and current RN license while enrolled in coursework. The RN license must be within the state where

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clinical practicums are to be completed. Students who begin the RN-BSN program prior to RN licensure can enroll in the first semester while waiting to sit for the NCLEX-RN. However, all students must be licensed before they are able to enroll in any subsequent semesters.

- Graduate Program Students:
 - Students in the graduate and professional programs must hold an unencumbered and current RN license while enrolled in coursework. Students who begin a graduate or professional program prior to RN licensure can enroll in the first semester while waiting to sit for the NCLEX-RN (except the graduate pathways outlined below). However, all students must be licensed before they are able to enroll in any subsequent semesters. Please note that Neonatal CNS, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, and CRNA students must have the RN license at the time of enrollment in the first semester, due to the required experience component.
- Information on required experiences for the Neonatal CNS and Neonatal NP tracks has been clarified. The experience requirements are as follows:
 - Post-Graduate Certificate and DNP-NNP: Neonatal NP applicants must have one year of full-time RN experience in Level 3 or 4 NICU prior to applying.
 - Post-Graduate Certificate and DNP-NCNS: Neonatal CNS applicants must have one year of full-time RN experience in Level 3 or 4 NICU prior to applying.
- BACHELOR OF SCIENCE TO DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE – PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS & CLARIFICATIONS*
 - 3.0 GPA for the last 60 hours to a cumulative 3.0 GPA;
 - The Bachelor of Science in Nursing/Master of Science in Nursing degree must be from a U.S. regionally accredited institution;
 - The applicant's nursing license must be valid as an Oklahoma or compact state license and that post-graduate DNP applicants must hold an unencumbered RN license in the state of residence and in the state where their practicum occurs;
 - Language regarding competitive admissions to APRN options was added and is as follows:
 - Graduate programs and options accept a set number of students and are competitive admissions options. Due to program and clinical capacity, the graduate programs and options will only accept the most qualified applicants as defined on the College of Nursing website. Students cannot change from one graduate program or option to another without reapplication to the requested program or option. To reapply, students must meet all application criteria, including good standing, professional behavior, and program requirements of the catalog.
 - To graduate, students must maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher in all graduate coursework and clarify that the number of credit hours with a grade of "C" cannot exceed 25% of the total letter graded coursework;
 - The Neonatal Clinical Nurse Specialist and Neonatal Nurse Practitioner tracks require 1 year of full-time RN experience in a Level 3 or 4 NICU prior to applying;
 - Admission interviews are now required;
 - A resume or CV is required for the application;
 - Information for international applicants has been clarified. The language is as follows:
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 - Students in the RN-BSN program must hold an unencumbered and current RN license while enrolled in coursework. The RN license must be within the state where clinical practicums are to be completed. Students who begin the RN-BSN program prior to RN licensure can enroll in the first semester while waiting to sit for the NCLEX-RN. However, all students must be licensed before they are able to enroll in any subsequent semesters.
 - Graduate Program Students:
 - Students in the graduate and professional programs must hold an unencumbered and current RN license while enrolled in coursework. Students who begin a graduate or professional program prior to RN licensure can enroll in the first semester while waiting to sit for the NCLEX-RN (except the graduate pathways outlined below). However, all students must be licensed before they are able to enroll in any subsequent semesters. Please note that Neonatal CNS, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, and CRNA students must have the RN license at the time of enrollment in the first semester, due to the required experience component.
- BACHELOR OF SCIENCE TO DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE – PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS & CLARIFICATIONS*
 - Added a specialization option titled, “Certified Registered Nurse Anesthesia.”
 - Added 115 Credit hours of coursework to establish the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthesia specialization curriculum.
 - The first cohort is anticipated to start in January 2027. Applications are scheduled to open in Summer 2026.
- MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM – PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS & CLARIFICATIONS*
 - 3.0 GPA for the last sixty (60) hours to a cumulative 3.0 GPA;
 - The Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree must be from a U.S. regionally accredited institution;
 - The applicant’s nursing license must be valid as an Oklahoma or compact state license;
 - To graduate, students must maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher in all graduate coursework and clarify that the number of credit hours with a grade of “C” cannot exceed 25% of the total letter graded coursework;
 - The completion of a research methodology course has been removed as an admissions requirement;
 - The completion of a graduate or undergraduate general statistics course requirement has been removed;
 - Admission interviews are now required.
 - A resume or CV is required for application;
 - Information for international applicants has been clarified. The language is as follows:
 - The LPN-BSN, RN-BSN, MSN, Post-Graduate Certificates, PhD, and DNP programs in the OU College of Nursing are hybrid and/or online or part-time programs. The F-1 visa regulations require in-person courses, and these programs do not meet those requirements. Thus, international students are not accepted for these programs (LPN-BSN, RN-BSN, MSN, Post-Graduate Certificates, PhD, and DNP). International students are only eligible to apply for the ABSN and TBSN pathways as they have in-person requirements.

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 - Undergraduate Program Students
 - Students in the RN-BSN program must hold an unencumbered and current RN license while enrolled in coursework. The RN license must be within the state where clinical practicums are to be completed. Students who begin the RN-BSN program prior to RN licensure can enroll in the first semester while waiting to sit for the NCLEX-RN. However, all students must be licensed before they are able to enroll in any subsequent semesters.
 - Graduate Program Students:
 - Students in the graduate and professional programs must hold an unencumbered and current RN license while enrolled in coursework. Students who begin a graduate or professional program prior to RN licensure can enroll in the first semester while waiting to sit for the NCLEX-RN (except the graduate pathways outlined below). However, all students must be licensed before they are able to enroll in any subsequent semesters. Please note that Neonatal CNS, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, and CRNA students must have the RN license at the time of enrollment in the first semester, due to the required experience component.
- BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM – PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS & CLARIFICATIONS*
 - Updated Program Requirements
 - Added 18 new required courses for the pre-licensure pathways to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree: Traditional BSN, Accelerated BSN, and Licensed Practical Nurse BSN.
 - Added eight 8 new required courses for the post-licensure pathway to the BSN – Registered Nurse BSN.
 - Updated Program Learning Outcomes
 - Build upon prerequisite knowledge by integrating established and evolving nursing knowledge to form the basis for professional nursing practice.
 - Deliver professional, safe, and holistic nursing care to individuals, families, and populations while using sound clinical judgment and collaboration.
 - Integrate scholarly evidence, informatics, and technology to inform continuous quality improvement across the continuum of care.
 - Demonstrate ability to advocate for individuals, families, populations, and the nursing profession by promoting fairness in healthcare access and improved health outcomes.
 - Coordinate resources to provide safe, quality, and equitable care to diverse populations.
 - Articulate the formation of a professional nursing identity that reflects the characteristics and values of the nursing profession to include accountability, self-care/resilience, lifelong learning, and leadership.
 - Deleted 78 outdated courses from all the pathways to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Our R&A team is growing, and we welcome applications to join our dynamic team!

- Marketing and Communications Specialist – Coming Soon! Look for it at jobs.ou.edu.