

Thank you for your interest in Nebraska Methodist College's Accelerated Nursing Program (ACE)

Nebraska Methodist College's 12-month accelerated nursing program instills a foundation of integrity and compassion through our Educated Citizen philosophy and Population Health curriculum. Our goal is to see our students become accountable and confident Registered Nurses (RNs) who provide holistic care to a diverse patient population.

We look forward to working with you as you begin your journey to becoming a nurse at Nebraska Methodist College (NMC).



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Assistant Professor & ACE Coordinator
Nebraska Methodist College



Bachelor of Science in

NURSING - ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Accelerated Nursing Program (ACE)

If you are a college graduate and want to become a BSN nurse and put it to good use at a faster-than-normal pace, try our Accelerated Nursing degree option.

Graduates are prepared to assume nursing careers as competent nurses and healthcare leaders. The success of our Accelerated BSN graduates with state board examinations (NCLEX) is testimony to our student success.

Program Highlights

- Designed to be completed in 12 months for students with a non-nursing degree who are looking to enter the nursing field quickly.
- High-tech simulation labs and in-depth clinical experiences that allow students to gain confidence in their nursing skills.
- Students enter the program with a cohort that allows for a sense of community as they complete this fast-paced, rigorous program.
- Expert faculty with the experience and passion for nursing and teaching.
- 96% of ACE graduates are employed within six months of graduation.

Program Admissions Criteria

Applicants are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Associate or bachelor's degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 from a regionally accredited institution
- Successful completion (C- or above)
 of the general education prerequisite
 courses and conferred degree by July
 prior to program start
- Fulfillment of technical standards

Program Application Process

To be considered for admission, the following items must be submitted to the Centralized Application Service (NursingCAS):

- NursingCAS application
- Admissions essay
- Program/career awareness questionnaire
- · Official transcripts from all colleges attended

We strongly suggest that you begin working on your application as early as possible and submit no later than two to three weeks before the published deadline. This will allow time for NursingCAS to verify transcripts and other submitted documents.

Application Deadlines

Application Deadline

Please refer to our website for updated deadline information.

Program Start Date

August



ARTS & SCIENCES REQUIREMENTS

ACE Progra	m Prerequisites†	Credits
	ng prerequisite criteria is for bachelor's and repared students:	43
COM 101	English Composition	3
HUM 213	Introduction to Ethics or Principles & Practice of Ethics	3
CHE 101	Introduction to Chemistry with Lab	4
BIO 225	Human Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIO 226	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
BIO 240	Principles of Nutrition	3
BIO 281	Microbiology with lab	4
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3
PSY 215	Lifespan Development	3
SSC 235	Introduction to Sociology or The Sociology of Culture	3
MAT 110	Intermediate Algebra	3
MAT 260	Introduction to Statistics	3
SSC 370	Principles of Research	3
Bachelor's additional	+9	
HUM	Electives in an Arts and Science Division	9
Associate p	+15	
HUM 150	World of Ideas: Critical Reasoning and Rhetoric	3
HUM 220*	World of Ideas: Humanities Elective	3
HUM 255	World of Ideas: Historical Perspectives	3
HUM 270*	World of Ideas: Humanities Elective	3
SSC 235	The Sociology of Culture	3

All transfer credits will be evaluated. Transfer of credit is typically not available for courses that are shaded in gray.

- * At least one of the two humanities elective courses must be in the Arts or Human Connection distribution area
- ** Maximum credit awarded for COM 255/252/262 is 2 credit hours; students who transfer in this credit must enroll in COM 252 for 1 credit.
- † As a reminder, you do not need to have your prerequisites completed prior to the application deadline. If you are accepted into the program, it is contingent upon successful completion (C- or better) of the remaining prerequisites and conferred degree the July prior to program start.

ACE COURSEWORK

Accelera	ted Nursing Program		Credits
Fall Sem	ester (Two 8-week Ter	ms)	25
Full 16 weeks	SCI 320	Introduction to Pharmacology	3
	BIO 315	Pathophysiology	3
1st 8 weeks	NRS 102/102C	Population Health I with Clinical	6
	NRS 110/110L	Health Assessment Across the Lifespan with Lab	4
2nd	NRS 105	Professionalism in Nursing	2
8 weeks	NRS 200/200C	Population Health II with Clinical	7
Spring S	emester (Two 8-week	Terms)	26
	COM 255/252/262**	Language and Culture in Healthcare	3
1st 8 weeks	NRS 201	Public Health Science	3
	NRS 300/300C	Population Health III with Clinical	7
	NRS 301	Healthcare Policy	3
2nd 8 weeks	NRS	Non-Clinical Nursing Elective	3
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Summer	Semester (Two 5-wee	ek Terms)	18
Full 10 weeks	SSC 465	Capstone: The Educated Citizen	3
	NRS 402	Transition to Practice	3
1st 5 weeks	NRS 405	Healthcare Collaboration and Leadership/Global Health	3
	NRS 410/410C	Nursing Care of Special Populations with Clinical	5
2nd 5 weeks	NRS 471/471P	Senior Synthesis with Practicum	4

Total Credits



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EXAMINATIONS

Upon graduation, students are eligible to take the NCLEX-RN exam, which is consistent with nursing practice.

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A Week in the Life of an ACE Student

In order to learn and apply the vast amount of information to the nursing profession at an accelerated rate will require a great time commitment from you. The experienced faculty and staff will assist with your success by offering ACE focused seminars and suggestions to effectively manage time, but it is recommended to plan your life around a very rigorous schedule that will change every eight weeks based on course experiences and requirements. Past accelerated nursing students have described the time commitment of this program as equal to working two jobs.

Some of the commitments that will be asked of an accelerated nursing student include:

Classroom Sessions

Attending four to eight hour-long classroom sessions (will include breaks throughout the day). Classroom activities may include team-based activities, lectures, discussions, critical thinking strategies, demonstrations and return demonstrations, independent studies and written assignments. These activities will require preparation before the start of the class time.

Clinical Experiences

Students will complete clinical experiences each week. These experiences will range from five to 10 hour-long shifts and may total 30 hours weekly. In order to be a safe entry level nurse, nursing students must have a certain amount of hours in patient care settings. Clinical experiences are required to pass each course. If clinical is missed because of illness or extenuating circumstances, the student is required to make up the time. Arriving on time is a professional standard in the nursing profession, tardiness is not tolerated. Hospital units' availability may require students to attend evening and weekend clinical. Clinical experiences may begin as early as 6:30 a.m. and may end as late as 10:30 p.m.

Weekly Care Plans

Students complete Client Profiles or Care Plans prior to the acute care or community clinical experience. This assignment can take about four hours to complete the day prior to the clinical experience.

Study Time

Accelerated nursing students spend approximately 20-30 hours per week outside of classroom sessions, clinical experiences, creating weekly care plans, studying and completing necessary assignments.

SCHOLARSHIPS



FOR ACCELERATED NURSING STUDENTS AT NEBRASKA METHODIST COLLEGE

UPFRONT MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS^{1,2} (No application required.)

GPA ≥ **3.6** \$5,000 per year

GPA ≥ **3.3** \$4,000 per year

GPA ≥ **3.0** \$**3,000** per year

ACADEMIC AND LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS² (Application Deadline 2/1/2024.)

The **Kathleen Montgomery ACE Scholarship** provides an award of \$7,500 for one year (\$2,500 each term). One-half of the scholarships awarded each year will be based on academic merit and one-half based on demonstrated financial need as determined by the FAFSA.

Scholarship funding is limited and distributed based upon deposit date and FAFSA filing date. Complete the FAFSA and our scholarship application to be considered for this prestigious award.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES^{2,3}

- HOSA Leadership Scholarship \$1,000 one-time award for active members of high school HOSA chapter.
- Legacy Grant \$2,000 one-time award for a sibling of a current NMC student, or a sibling or dependent child of an NMC alumnus.
- Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship \$1,000 one-time award for initiated members.
- United Methodist Church Member Award \$1,000 one-time award for active UMC congregation members.

Talk with your admissions coordinator about other scholarship opportunities. Scholarship funding is limited and distributed *based upon deposit date and FAFSA filing date*.

2023/2024 PROGRAM COSTS

The following estimates are for the entire 12-month program. Actual costs may vary by student based on purchase of new or used books, personal decisions and lifestyle choices.

\$47,516 Tuition and Fees⁴

\$2,650 Textbooks and Supplies⁴

\$0 Parking

\$50,166 Estimated Total⁵



We give students better control of their finances with clear and upfront pricing.

- ¹ Based on a 4.0 GPA scale. All students must complete FAFSA to be eligible for any scholarships.
- ² New students must submit FAFSA by June 1.
- ³ Award available upon verification.
- 4 Estimated costs are based on the 12-month curriculum and prices in effect for the 2023-2024 academic year. Tuition is based on \$623 per credit hour. All estimates are subject to change.
- 5 Estimated totals do not include room and board, transportation or miscellaneous personal expenses.

The programs, requirements, and policies—including, but not limited to, statements on admission, tuition, fees, and course offerings—contained above are subject to change at the discartion of the College without notice, obligation, or liability. Any changes may also be applied to currently matriculated students. Updates, notifications, and changes are available at the College website, methodist college endu.

Nebraska Methodist College prohibits discrimination based on race, ethnicity, sex, color, religion, national origin, physical or mental disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, gender identity, status as a U.S. Veteran, or other protected class, that adversely affects their employment or education as well as discrimination on the basis of sex in any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. The following has been designated to handle inquiries regarding NMC's non-discrimination policies: VP of Institutional Effectiveness at (402) 354-7259. For more information, please see NMC's Equal Opportunity/Non-Discrimination and Title IX—Sexual Misconduct policies at www.methodistcollege.edu.

FINANCIAL AID



FOR ACCELERATED NURSING STUDENTS AT NEBRASKA METHODIST COLLEGE

HOW TO APPLY



COMPLETE THE FAFSA

online at **StudentAid.gov** NMC Code: 009937

- 2024-2025 FAFSA opens December 2023.
- FAFSA **must be submitted by June 1** in order to receive NMC scholarships.



SUBMIT YOUR ENROLLMENT DEPOSIT

to secure your seat in admitted program and NMC scholarships.



HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact your NMC financial aid representative for help.



MORE ABOUT FINANCIAL AID
AID CRITERIA, GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND MORE
methodistcollege.edu/financial-aid

FINANCIAL AID STATS

- NMC students receive more than \$19 million annually in total financial aid (includes grants, scholarships, work-study and loans).
- Nearly eighty-two percent of undergraduate students received financial aid during the 2021-2022 school year.
- NMC awards \$5.2 million annually in scholarships and grants, including \$3 million in institutional scholarships.

WHO TO CALL WE HAVE ANSWERS TO FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS!



Bailey Jorgensen, Assistant Director (402) 354-6597 Programs: Traditional BSN



Jenny Witcofski, Financial Aid Counselor (402) 354-7011 Programs: Traditional BSN



Kathryn Freed, Financial Aid Counselor (402) 354-7238 Programs: Associate degree programs, Accelerated BSN, LPN to BSN, RN to BSN, non-nursing BS programs, CT/MRI/Mammo certificates



Mark Araujo, Associate Director (402) 354-7227 Programs: All graduate programs

ACCELERATED COMMUNITY-BASED EDUCATION NURSING PROGRAM (ACE) PREREQUISITE COURSES AND DESCRIPTION GUIDE

Completion of the following courses can be accomplished through enrollment (on campus or online) at an accredited university or community college. Applicants can be in the process of completing the prerequisites when applying to the program, however all admitted students must complete all prerequisites by the July prior to the program start.

Transfer Guides for various institutions are posted as a guide for students regarding prerequisite registration.

Complete this academic evaluation worksheet with the course name, ID number and institution. Once you have reviewed your coursework and determined what courses you might be deficient in and/or have questions related to, can answer any questions during a call or campus visit. This can be set up by contacting Enrollment Services at admissions@methodistcollege.edu.

Student Name	Date Reviewed	

This is a tentative transfer credit evaluation worksheet. All transfer credit is officially reviewed by the Registrar Office once a candidate has been admitted and submitted their enrollment deposit to the College.

NMC COURSE ID	PREREQUISITE COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS	COURSE NAME, ID NUMBER, AND INSTITUTION
	The Following prerequisite criteria is for bachelor's and associate -prepared students:	43	
COM 101	English Composition This course provides instruction and practice in writing, with emphasis on the recursive processes of generating, drafting, revising and editing.	3	
HUM 213	Introduction to Ethics or Principles & Practice of Ethics Introduction to Ethics introduces students to theories and practices of individual, communal and societal obligations. Moral inquiry in the course proceeds from a philosophical basis.	3	
CHE 101	College Chemistry with lab This course is an overview of general, organic and biological chemistry. Includes a laboratory.	4	
MAT 110	Intermediate Algebra This course is designed for students who need to review basic college algebra skills.	3	

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ACE PREREQUISITE COURSES AND DESCRIPTION GUIDE (PAGE 2 OF 3)

Student Name	Date Reviewed

NMC COURSE ID	PREREQUISITE COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS	COURSE NAME, ID NUMBER, AND INSTITUTION
BIO 225	Human Anatomy with Lab Human anatomy and physiology may be taken as separate courses or as a combined anatomy and physiology course. If anatomy and physiology is offered as a two- or three-part sequence (i.e., A & P I and II), all courses in the sequence must be completed. Accompanying lab is required.	4	
BIO 226	Physiology with Lab Human anatomy and physiology may be taken as separate courses or as a combined anatomy and physiology course. If anatomy and physiology is offered as a two- or three-part sequence (i.e., A & P I and II), all courses in the sequence must be completed. Accompanying lab is required.	4	
BIO 240	Principles & Concepts of Nutrition This course in nutrition is designed for students to gain knowledge of the basic elements of nutrition, the nutrient needs in all age groups and client teaching.	3	
BIO 281	Microbiology with Lab This course is a study of the principles and application of microorganisms and their relationship to various disease processes. Includes a laboratory.	4	
PSY 101	Introduction/General Psychology A broad and introductory course in general psychology is required.	3	
PSY 215	Developmental Psychology or Lifespan Development All acceptable courses must cover the lifespan from conception through death and cover social, cognitive, emotional, and physical development.	3	
SSC 235	Introduction to Sociology or The Sociology of Culture, or upper level (200+) Sociology course This course explores the ways in which human beings make and remake the meaning of their social world through the production of culture.	3	
MAT 260	Introduction of Statistics This course is designed to introduce students to the methods used in organizing, summarizing, analyzing and interpreting quantitative information.	3	
SSC 370	Principles of Research A standalone research methods course is required that covers quantitative, qualitative and mixed method approaches. Additional knowledge about research designs, research ethics, library literature searches, data analysis, etc. is also essential.	3	

ACE PREREQUISITE COURSES AND DESCRIPTION GUIDE (PAGE 3 OF 3)

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Student name	Date Reviewed

NMC COURSE ID	PREREQUISITE COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS	COURSE NAME, ID NUMBER, AND INSTITUTION
	Bachelor's prepared students must meet the following additional prerequisite requirements:	+9	
HUM	3 Humanity Electives: HUM 220, HUM255 & HUM270 3 courses within an Arts & Science Division. Academic departments include, but not limited to: ARTS, HUMS, THEA, ENGL, MUSC, THL, GEOG, PHIL, HIST, LIT	9	
	Associate prepared students must meet the following additional prerequisite requirements:	+15	
HUM 150	World of Ideas: Critical Reasoning and Rhetoric To meet this requirement, it usually includes 2, 3 credit hour courses: Speech and Critical Reasoning. For example, at Metro Community College it's SPCH1100 & PHIL1100.	3	
HUM 220	*World of Ideas Humanities Elective Some prefix ideas in those areas: ARTS, HUMS,THEA, ENGL, MUSC, THL, GEOG, PHIL, LIT	3	
HUM 270	*World of Ideas Humanities Elective Some prefix ideas in those areas: ARTS, HUMS,THEA, ENGL, MUSC, THL, GEOG, PHIL, LIT	3	
HUM 255	*World of Ideas Humanities Elective Must be a course from the history department.	3	
HUM 235	**The Sociology of Culture Typically an upper level SOC 200+ course, however some introductory courses have been accepted. Check transfer guides or submit course syllabi. Many Intro to Sociology courses meet this requirement. However, you should always check with your admissions coordinator.	3	

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- Students must earn a grade of C- or higher in order to fulfill prerequisite courses.
- One course cannot be used to satisfy more than one prerequisite.
- To review a full description of prerequisite course summaries, please visit NMC's website.
- All approved transfer credit is posted to deposited student's advising worksheet once official transcripts are reviewed by the Registrar's Office. Students should not assume courses will fulfill prerequisite requirements until posted on the advising worksheet.

^{*} For associate prepared students only: At least one course in the three Humanities areas (HUM255) has to be in the History department. Two HUM courses (HUM255 & HUM220 OR HUM270) can be another history course with HUM255, but all three HUM classes cannot be in history.

^{**} For associate prepared students only: Replaces SSC235 – Introduction to Sociology requirement

ACE PROGRAM

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can I work during the program?

No. The rigorous pace of this full-time program makes any outside work inadvisable.

ACE is a full time program on NMC's campus. The program is generally M-F 8-5 p.m. between class and lab, then additionally you can have clinical as early as 6:30 a.m. or as late as 10:30 p.m. Students study an average of 20-30 hours per week.

2. What are the prerequisite course requirements:

There are different prerequisite requirements for those with a bachelor's degree vs an associate degree: see NMC Prerequisite Guide (pages 7-9).

3. Do my prerequisites have to be completed prior to the application deadline?

No. You do not need to have your prerequisites completed prior to the application deadline. You should have some math/sciences prerequisite courses completed because we evaluate a math and science GPA based on NMC's prerequisites.

4. Do you accept older coursework?

Yes, Nebraska Methodist College will accept older coursework. However, if a class exceeds five years we highly encourage you to retake the course because information can change during that timeframe (especially for math and science courses as those are foundational for you to be successful in a nursing program). If a student determines they are comfortable with content in their older coursework, it is important to note they are responsible for their success in upper level courses.

5. I think my course will meet the prerequisite requirement, but I'm not sure. How can I check?

We encourage you to review the ACE Prerequisite Guide (pages 7-9).

Transfer Guides for various institutions are posted online as a guide for students regarding prerequisites.

If you don't see your course/school listed and feel the class meets the course objectives please create an account in Transferology and request information. The registrar will then review the course. After a course is submitted for review, it can take up to two weeks for a final decision.

It is important that you communicate with your admissions coordinator regarding prerequisite courses and transfer credit.

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6. Can I complete pathophysiology and pharmacology prior to starting the ACE program?

Students are encouraged to complete pathophysiology and pharmacology if possible prior to starting the ACE program. While these courses are included in the ACE curriculum, previous students have found it helpful to take these courses in advance of starting the program. NMC will offer these courses in the summer preceding the start of the program. Students must have A+P 1, A+P 2, Chemistry, and Microbiology completed before enrolling in pathophysiology and pharmacology.

It is also important to note that ACE courses taken early are not Federal Financial Aid eligible. Students can seek private loans and/or set up a pay agreement if necessary.

7. How much does the program cost and what about scholarships?

For tuition, fees, scholarships and estimated cost of attendance, please see page 5.

8. How do I fill out the FAFSA?

The Accelerated BSN program is unique, so we've prepared a special guidance sheet to help you understand the costs, financing options, and FAFSA tips. The 2023-2024 FAFSA will open in December 2023. Once the 2024-2025 FAFSA is open we will share our guidance sheet with updated information.

9. What if my first language is not English or I have received education outside of the US?

It is Nebraska Methodist College's intent to set students up for success in the classroom and as future healthcare providers. Therefore, The English Proficiency Requirement applies to all individuals with educational records from outside of the United States or whose first language is not English, regardless of U.S. citizenship status or time spent in the United States. Please visit our website to learn about how English Language Proficiency can be demonstrated.

10. Why are there multiple application deadlines?

The earlier deadlines ensure a student can be set up for success in advance. When students take advantage of the earlier deadlines they have access to prerequisite advising and scholarship updates.

It is the College's goal to fill a cohort with applicants from the posted deadlines. If seats remain unfilled after the posted deadlines, applicants can apply on a rolling basis until the cohort is full.

Students are always encouraged to apply to the earlier deadlines unless they need to improve their cumulative GPA (minimum 2.75) or do not have enough math and science prerequisites completed to evaluate.

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11. Do you require a current CNA or CPR certification prior to enrollment?

No.

12. What does provisional acceptance mean?

All students are provisionally accepted until NMC receives official documentation of successful completion (C- or better) in remaining prerequisites, conferred degree and maintained cumulative GPA of a 2.75 by the July prior to the program start. Students who do not meet these requirements will not be allowed to begin the accelerated nursing program. No exceptions.

13. When will I know if I'm accepted?

After the application deadline, you should know your admissions status within four weeks by email, phone call and/or letter.

14. How and when do I get started?

NMC's Accelerated Nursing program only starts once a year in August. Please visit our program page for application deadlines. We strongly suggest that you begin working on your application in NursingCAS as early as possible and submit no later than two to three weeks before the published deadline. This will allow time for NursingCAS to verify transcripts and other submitted documents.

15. Is NMC the right fit for me?

Let's find out! Contact our Recruitment and Admissions Coordinator to learn more about NMC and our ACE program: (402) 354-7200 or admissions@methodistcollege.edu



NURSINGCAS

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Where do I apply?

NMC only accepts applications through NursingCAS.org. We do not have an additional internal application or fee.

2. Where do I send my transcripts and application materials?

All application materials and official transcripts need to be sent to NursingCAS: Transcript Process. NMC will not accept your official transcripts for the program application process because all application materials are processed through NursingCAS.

3. I'm experiencing an issue with my application, can you help?

To receive assistance with your NursingCAS application, please contact their Customer Service line at (617) 612-2880 or email at: nursingcasinfo@nursingcas.org

4. If I haven't completed a prerequisite course yet, what do I indicate on the application?

If you have not completed a prerequisite, indicate the intended course and start date on NursingCAS, you can leave the grade blank.

5. Can you tell me the status of my application?

NMC does not have access to your application until it has been submitted for review. You are responsible for monitoring and ensuring the progress of your application via NursingCAS.

6. Do you require letters of recommendation?

No.

7. Do I have to enter in all my college coursework into NursingCAS?

No. NMC only requires you to enter in your prerequisite coursework, not every college course taken.



