

University of
Lethbridge



Program Planning Guide

Name: _____

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Calendar Year: 2023/2024

Please note that admission to the Nursing Preparation Program does not guarantee admission to the Bachelor of Nursing program at the University of Lethbridge.

Academic Calendar:

www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar

High School Admission Requirements:

www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/admissions/undergrad/high-school

Current and Past Program Planning Guides:

www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/ppgs

Faculty of Health Sciences Advising:

www.ulethbridge.ca/healthsciences/advising

Faculty of Arts and Science Advising:

www.ulethbridge.ca/artsci/advising

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Nursing Preparation Program

This is a planning guide and not a graduation check or guarantee of course offerings. You should have a program check done in your final year of studies. Students are responsible for the accuracy of their own programs. The guide should be used in conjunction with the University of Lethbridge Calendar, which is the final authority on all questions regarding program requirements and academic regulations.

Contact an Academic Advisor (www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-advising) for advising information.

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Program Requirements

The Faculty of Arts and Science and the Faculty of Health Sciences are pleased to offer the Nursing Preparation Program (NPP) for applicants who do not qualify for admission to our competitive Bachelor of Nursing program. This program is designed to provide students with an opportunity to increase their admission averages, obtain required prerequisite courses, and/or complete courses that will count toward our Bachelor of Nursing program requirements. This Nursing Preparation Program may also allow prospective Bachelor of Nursing (After Degree) students to obtain required admission prerequisites and/or increase their admission GPA for that competitive program.

Suggested course options include:

(not all courses listed are required; individual choices will vary; course waitlist information can be found here:

www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/registration/register/waitlists)

Students Preparing for B.N.

Course	May be used for B.N. Admission	B.N. Program Requirement	Available Fall 2023	Available Spring 2024
Chemistry 0500 - Introduction to Modern Chemistry	x		x	x
Health Sciences 2310 - Human Nutrition *		x		x
Health Sciences 3450/Psychology 3450 - Applied Statistics for Clinical Practice ^{1,*}	x	x	x	x
Health Sciences 3560/History 3560 - History of Nursing: Women and the Care of the Sick *		x	x	
Kinesiology 1160 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I	x	x	x	
Kinesiology 1161 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II *	x	x		x
Mathematics 0500 - Essential Mathematics	x		x	x
Indigenous Studies 1000 - Introduction to Indigenous Studies I: Canadian Contexts		x	x	x
Philosophy 1000 - Introduction to Philosophy		x	x	x
Psychology 1020 - Introduction to Psychology B: Developmental, Sociocultural, and Abnormal		x	x	x
Sociology 1000 - Introduction to Sociology		x	x	x
Writing 1000 - Introduction to Academic Writing	x	x	x	x
One Social Science Elective **		x	x	x
One of the following: Aboriginal Health 1000 - Introduction to Aboriginal Health Aboriginal Health 2000 - Indigenous Healing and Restoration * Aboriginal Health 3310 - Contemporary Issues in Aboriginal Health * Addictions Counselling 1000 - Introduction to Addiction Studies Addictions Counselling 3002 - Health Education and Promotion * Health Sciences 1170 - Human Development Across the Lifespan Health Sciences 2600/Women and Gender Studies 2100 - Women and Health * Health Sciences 2700/Sociology 2700 - Health and Society * Health Sciences 3002 - Health Promotion* Health Sciences 3125 - Pain Management * Health Sciences 3127 - Loss, Grief and Bereavement * Health Sciences 3570/Psychology 3570 - Contemporary Issues in Mental Health * Health Sciences 3802 - Gerontology * Health Sciences 3860 - Men's Health * Public Health 2000 - Population Health *		x	x	x

This course can only be used for B.N. admission if Mathematics 30-1/Mathematics 30-2 has already been completed.

* These courses have additional prerequisites.

** To learn more about which courses have a Social Science designation, please refer to School of Liberal Education in the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalogue (www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar).

Students Preparing for B.N. After Degree

Course	May be used for B.N.A.D. Admission	Available Fall 2023	Available Spring 2024
Indigenous Studies 1000 - Introduction to Indigenous Studies I: Canadian Contexts	x	x	x
Health Sciences 3450/Psychology 3450 - Applied Statistics for Clinical Practice *	x	x	x
Kinesiology 1160 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I	x	x	
Kinesiology 1161 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II *	x		x
One Fine Arts and Humanities Elective **	x	x	x
Two Social Science Electives **	x	x	x

* These courses have additional prerequisites.

** To learn more about which courses have a Fine Arts and Humanities or Social Science designation, please refer to School of Liberal Education in the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalogue (www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-calendar).

Frequently Asked Questions

We thank everyone who applies to the Bachelor of Nursing (B.N.) and B.N. After Degree programs at the University of Lethbridge. Unfortunately, not all qualified applicants can be accepted each year. This information sheet is intended to provide information to qualified applicants who cannot be accommodated in the B.N. programs this year due to space and resource constraints.

1. Is the University of Lethbridge maintaining a wait-list for Fall 2023 B.N. and B.N. After Degree seats?

Final seats for admission will be offered in late May/June. The most highly qualified waitlisted applicants who were not initially selected may be offered B.N. admission later, if seats become available (between July-August). **The Fall 2023 wait-list will not carry forward after the program has commenced in September.**

2. Will I be offered admission to an alternate program at uLethbridge if I am not offered admission to the B.N. or B.N. After Degree program?

If you would like to choose the Nursing Preparation Program (NPP) or another undergraduate program of choice, please log in to the BRIDGE to complete the [Request to Change Program](#) or email admissions@uleth.ca by June 30, 2023. There is limited space in the NPP and being offered admission does not guarantee registration in all your preferred courses each term. Please check the chart on page 2 of the NPP guide to determine when suggested courses are offered each term.

3. What is the most effective way to strengthen my academic qualifications?

a. For the next B.N. admission competition (Fall 2024)

In most cases, improving your grades, especially in the required courses (Biology 30, Chemistry 30, English Language Arts 30-1, and Mathematics 30-1/30-2), is the most effective way to strengthen your qualifications for later B.N. admission competitions.

If you have weak grades in the required courses listed above, you may either upgrade these courses or take university courses in the subject area. For example, a better grade in CHEM 0500 at uLethbridge will be substituted for a weaker grade in Chemistry 30. In either case, improving your mark(s) is key for your success in next year's admission competition.

High School Course	Equivalent University of Lethbridge Course(s)
English Language Arts 30-1	Writing 1000 or English 1900
Biology 30	Kinesiology 1160
Chemistry 30	Chemistry 0500
Mathematics 30-1 or 30-2	Mathematics 0500 or Health Sciences 3450/Psychology 3450 *

* This course can only be used for B.N. admission if Mathematics 30-1/Mathematics 30-2 has already been completed.

Admission to the NPP does not guarantee access to selected courses. For more information please book an appointment: with an advisor at www.ulethbridge.ca/healthsciences/advising.

b. For the next B.N. After Degree admission competition (Fall 2024)

In most cases, improving your grades, especially in the required courses (Human Anatomy and Physiology and Statistics) along with the most recent 17 courses/51 credits is the most effective way to strengthen your qualifications and competitive admission average for later B.N. After Degree admission competitions.

Admission to the NPP does not guarantee access to selected courses. For more information please book an appointment at www.ulethbridge.ca/healthsciences/advising.

4. Will my chances of being accepted into the B.N. or B.N. After Degree program in Fall 2024 improve if I pursue admission to another program at the University of Lethbridge?

Applicants who choose another program at uLethbridge can improve their chances of being accepted to the B.N. program for Fall 2024 by taking courses that strengthen their qualifications, for example, improving their grades in Biology, Chemistry, English and Mathematics. This can be done by remaining in an existing program or in the Nursing Preparation Program. The NPP does not guarantee admission to the Bachelor of Nursing program, but may provide better registration access to preferred courses. If you are having difficulty registering please contact an academic advisor at www.ulethbridge.ca/healthsciences/advising or artsci.advising@uleth.ca.

5. If I am unsuccessful in this year's B.N. or B.N. After Degree admission competition, will I have an advantage in next year's competition?

Wait-lists are not carried forward from a previous admission year; however, interested applicants are welcome to apply again if they were unsuccessful gaining admission. The outcome of previous application(s) is not a factor. Applicants in any year's competition are evaluated solely on the quality of their academic qualifications at the admission decision document deadline of April 1 for that year. For admission to the B.N. program, improved grades enhance your qualifications and appropriate post-secondary courses may count towards degree requirements.

6. What options do I have if I'm not admitted to the B.N.?

You have a number of opportunities available at uLethbridge. The Nursing Preparation Program is offered through the Bachelor of Arts program in the Faculty of Arts and Science. Students who are in the NPP who do not ultimately pursue the B.N. can choose to complete the B.A. or any other program at uLethbridge. All courses completed in the NPP apply to any Bachelor of Arts program and most or all will apply to any other uLethbridge program as well. Academic advisors at uLethbridge are happy to help you explore your options should you choose to pursue an alternate program. Please contact the appropriate advising office for more information related to your program of interest: www.ulethbridge.ca/ross/academic-advising.

It is important to work with your academic advisor throughout your first year at the University of Lethbridge. This will ensure that you understand all options available so you make the best decision based on your academic and personal goals. For example, if you know you want to work in healthcare, but are not accepted into our B.N. program, the Bachelor of Health Sciences, Aboriginal Health major might be a good fit as it aims to promote and protect the health of Canadians and populations around the globe.

The University's liberal education philosophy and the Nursing Preparation Program give students the opportunity to explore the degree and career options available. We have many great degree and program options for you right here at uLethbridge.

7. What program do I indicate when applying for student loans while in the NPP?

While in the NPP and applying for student loans you would identify your program as a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.).

8. How many admission intakes are offered each year for the B.N. and B.N. After Degree programs?

Both the B.N. and B.N. After Degree program offer admission only in the Fall (September) of each year. Interested applicants are welcome to apply the following year, and only updated information will require submission for subsequent applications. Applications open September 1 of the preceding admission intake. For example, the application for Fall 2024 will open as of September 1, 2023 for both the B.N. and B.N. After Degree program, should you commence the NPP in Fall 2023.

For more information and advice about preparing for admission to nursing, please contact Faculty of Health Sciences Academic Advising at www.ulethbridge.ca/healthsciences/advising, or for registration or other programming questions, contact the Faculty of Arts and Science Student Program Services at artsci.advising@uleth.ca.