



# Traditional and Accelerated BSN Quick-Start Guide

This comprehensive guide to applying to the BSN programs at the University of Mississippi School of Nursing contains information about the application process and admission criteria, as well as useful contacts.

## Step 1: Review the admission criteria and program start date.

- Traditional BSN: [umc.edu/son/tbsn/admission\\_info/](http://umc.edu/son/tbsn/admission_info/). The deadline to apply for the Traditional BSN is Jan. 15.
- Accelerated BSN: [umc.edu/son/absn/admission\\_info/](http://umc.edu/son/absn/admission_info/). The deadline to apply for August admission to the Oxford Accelerated BSN program is Feb. 15. The deadline to apply for January admission to the Jackson Accelerated BSN program is Sept. 1.

## Step 2: Review the prerequisite courses, and register to take any remaining courses.

Access the prerequisite list by visiting the prospective student resources webpage:  
[umc.edu/son/prospective\\_student\\_resources/](http://umc.edu/son/prospective_student_resources/)

Have you completed all of these courses? If not, please note that all prerequisites must be completed prior to beginning the nursing program. You may apply for admission while taking your final prerequisites.

**If you have questions regarding the prerequisites, you may contact either the School of Nursing admissions counselor at (601) 815-0124 or the Office of Student Records and Registrar at (601) 984-1080.**

## Step 3: Review the ACT<sup>®</sup> score requirement.

Do you have a minimum ACT<sup>®</sup> score of 21?

- If yes, proceed to step 4.
- If not, make plans to retake the ACT<sup>®</sup>. Visit [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org) to register and locate a test site near you.

**Please note: All BSN applicants—Accelerated BSN and Traditional BSN—must meet this score requirement and submit official test scores.**

## Step 4: Begin the online application process.

Have you finished the prerequisites, or will you be finished with the prerequisites before the nursing program begins?

- If yes, begin the online application process.
- If not, complete a plan that ensures that you will have completed all prerequisites prior to the semester you begin BSN coursework. You may apply for admission when the number of prerequisite courses completed, plus those on the application plan of study, equals 62 credit hours.

## Step 5: Go to [umc.edu/son/apply/](http://umc.edu/son/apply/) and click on “Apply Online” to get started.

Did you complete all required fields, including the plan of study?

- If yes, proceed to step 6.
- If not, please complete all required fields before proceeding.

Be sure to disable pop-up blockers, and make sure that you are using the latest version of Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox.

**If you encounter any problems with the online application, you may contact the Office of Student Records and Registrar at (601) 984-1080 or the School of Nursing admissions counselor at (601) 815-0124.**



## Step 6: Request official transcripts.

Contact each community college or university attended and request that your transcripts be sent to:

**Office of Student Records and Registrar  
University of Mississippi Medical Center  
2500 North State Street  
Jackson, MS 39216-4505**

**If you have questions regarding transcripts, please contact the Office of Student Records and Registrar, at (601) 984-1080. If you need help finding your school's link, try Googling with search terms reflecting your school, location and the word "transcript". (For example, "Hinds Community College Jackson, MS transcript".)**

## Step 7: Complete the application process.

- Did you finish the online application, including payment of the \$25 application fee?
- Did you submit your official ACT<sup>®</sup> scores?
- Did you submit transcripts from all colleges and universities that you have attended?
- Please note: All materials — transcripts, test scores and the application — must be received by the application deadline.

**Although the Registrar's office checks for completeness, it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the application is complete. Please call (601) 984-1080.**

## Step 8: Check your email regularly.

Respond promptly if alerted that an item needs attention. If your email address or mailing address changes, be sure to notify the Registrar's office.

## Step 9: If requested, attend an interview and complete a background check.

Students accepted into the program must successfully complete all requirements prior to final acceptance.

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