



Program Planning Guide

Calendar Year: 2016/2017

The Faculty of Arts and Science and the Faculty of Health Sciences are pleased to offer the Pre-Nursing Pathway program 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 Pre-Nursing Pathway may also allow prospective Bachelor of Nursing (After Degree) students to obtain required admission prerequisites, or increase their admission GPA, for that competitive program.

Students interested in the Pre-Nursing Pathway are admitted to a **Bachelor of Arts with a General Social Science major** and may choose to take courses listed below. All courses recommended in the Pre-Nursing Pathway may be used to meet requirements in most degree programs at the University of Lethbridge, if the student does not pursue the Bachelor of Nursing program. For more details, contact the Faculty of Arts and Science.

Note: The admission policies and procedures set out in Part 1 - Admissions in the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalogue apply. See Part 1 (p. 27) for general admission requirements.

Suggested course options include (not all courses listed are required; individual choices will vary):

Course	May be used for B.N. Admission	B.N. Program Requirement	Available Fall 2016	Available Spring 2017
Chemistry 0500 - Introduction to Modern Chemistry	X		X	X
Health Sciences 1010 - Personal Health and Wellness		X		X
Health Sciences 1170 - Human Development Across the Lifespan		X	X	
Health Sciences 2400 - Medical Microbiology		X	X	
Kinesiology 1160/Health Sciences 1160 - Human Anatomy and Physiology I	X	X	X	
Kinesiology 1161/Health Sciences 1161 - Human Anatomy and Physiology II	X	X		X
Mathematics 0500 - Essential Mathematics	X		X	X
Philosophy 1000 - Introduction to Philosophy		X	X	X
Psychology 1000 - Basic Concepts of Psychology		X	X	X
Sociology 1000 - Introduction to Sociology		X	X	X
Writing 1000 - Introduction to Academic Writing	X	X	X	X
General Liberal Education Requirements				
Social Science		X	X	X
Fine Arts and Humanities		X	X	X

Note: To learn more about the General Liberal Education Requirements, please refer to Part 4 - Academic Regulations in the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalogue (www.uleth.ca/ross/academic-calendar).

Some courses may have a wait-list, see www.uleth.ca/artsci/advising/wait-listing

It is recommended that students work with an academic advisor when planning for their educational goals.

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Please note that the Pre-Nursing Pathway program does not guarantee admission to the Bachelor of Nursing program at the University of Lethbridge.

Frequent Asked Questions

We thank everyone who applies to the Bachelor of Nursing (B.N.) degree program 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. degree program this year due to space and resource constraints.

1. Is the University of Lethbridge maintaining a wait-list for Fall 2016 B.N. seats?

Yes, the most highly qualified applicants who were not initially selected may be offered B.N. admission as seats become available (between May-August). Final seats will be offered in late April.

2. Will I be offered a seat in another uLethbridge program?

If you would like to choose the Pre-Nursing Pathway (PNP), please email admissions@uleth.ca. You will be offered a seat in the PNP if we receive a written request. There are a limited number of seats in the PNP and being offered a seat does not guarantee space in your preferred courses. To be considered for another uLethbridge program, simply email admissions@uleth.ca by June 30, 2016.

3. What is the most effective way to strengthen my academic qualifications for the next B.N. competition (Fall 2017)?

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/Health Sciences 1160
Chemistry 30	Chemistry 0500
Mathematics 30-1 or 30-2	Mathematics 0500

Admission to the PNP does not guarantee access to selected courses.

Please connect with an academic advisor at nursing@uleth.ca or (403) 329-2220 for more information.

4. Will my chances of being accepted into the B.N. program in Fall 2017 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 2017 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 Pre-Nursing Pathway. The PNP does not guarantee admission to the Bachelor of Nursing program.

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

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. The outcome of previous application(s) is not a factor. Improved grades enhance your qualifications and approved post-secondary courses may count towards degree completion.

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 Pre-Nursing Pathway is offered through the Bachelor of Arts program in the Faculty of Arts and Science. Students who are in the PNP 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 PNP apply to any Bachelor of Arts program and most or all will apply to any other uLethbridge program as well. Academic advisors in the Faculty of Arts and Science are happy to help you explore your options should you choose to pursue a different program altogether. They are located in SU 060 and can be reached at (403) 329-5106 or artsci.advising@uleth.ca.

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 Public Health major might be a good fit as it aims to promote and protect the health of Canadians and populations around the globe. We have many great degree and program options.

The University's liberal education philosophy and the Pre-Nursing Pathway give students the opportunity to explore the degree and career options available.

7. What program do I indicate when applying for student loans?

Bachelor of Arts or B.A.

For more information and advice about preparing for admission to nursing, please contact Faculty of Health Sciences Academic Advising at (403) 329-2220, or for registration or other programming questions, contact the Faculty of Arts and Science Student Program Services at (403) 329-5106.

