

Evaluating Your Transcripts BSN and GEPN Applicants

The University of Washington School of Nursing does not evaluate transcripts before you have applied to our programs. However, it is not difficult to evaluate your own transcripts to determine which BSN or GEPN prerequisites you have already satisfied or still need to take:

1. Get Copies of Transcripts (Official or Unofficial)

It is often easy to get unofficial copies of your transcripts from schools you have attended. In many cases, you can get these in person or access them on the internet at no cost.

BSN applicants can use these same unofficial transcripts to submit with your School of Nursing application (the School of Nursing accepts unofficial transcripts with the BSN application).

2. Get Course Descriptions

Many schools have their course catalogs on the internet. If you previously took courses that are no longer offered at a particular school, get course descriptions by contacting the school's transcript office directly.

If you have taken courses outside Washington State, keep copies of these course descriptions to submit with your School of Nursing application.

3. Check BSN and GEPN Prerequisites

The [BSN](#) and [GEPN](#) program prerequisite charts include the equivalent UW courses. There is also a column where you can write the courses you have taken or are considering taking that are equivalent to the sample UW courses listed. The UW courses listed are all linked to online course descriptions.

For some categories of prerequisites, there may be several courses available from your school that satisfy a specific requirement (e.g. statistics or math). In other cases this may not be true (e.g. anatomy and physiology, general microbiology).

To convert semester credits to quarter credits, multiply the number of semester credits by 1.5 to determine the number of quarter credits. If a school uses a different credit system, you will often find a conversion guide on the back of the transcript that will help you. If not, contact the school to find out how to do this.

4. Community and Technical College Student Resources

Former or current students of Washington State community and some technical colleges have an additional resource available to them: the [UW's Equivalency Guide for WA Community and Technical Colleges](#). Use this guide to look up any course at your school to determine what the UW's equivalent course is.

5. Additional Information

Once you have evaluated the coursework you have taken or plan to take, you are welcome to contact the School of Nursing with questions about specific prerequisites. Call 206-543-8736 or 1-800-759-NURS, or send an e-mail to sonas@u.washington.edu.