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INTRODUCTION

Hawkeye Community College/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate Accelerated Program (AP)

The Associate-Baccalaureate Accelerated Program (AP) is a unique pathway offered through Hawkeye Community College (Hawkeye) and Upper Iowa University (UIU). A limited number of participants are selected from the pool of Hawkeye students who have met all Hawkeye Community College/Upper Iowa University Associate-Baccalaureate AP eligibility requirements.

Did you know?

1. Hawkeye and UIU have created an AP pathway for nursing students to obtain an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing and a Bachelor of Science (BSN) in Nursing within 2-3 semesters of AAS graduation.
2. The Hawkeye/UIU AP is an educational pathway partnership designed to increase the percentage of baccalaureate prepared RNs in Iowa.
3. Students will be enrolled at UIU during semesters not enrolled at Hawkeye.
4. UIU courses are offered in a completely online format.
5. BSN-prepared nurses are highly valued by potential employers and Hawkeye/UIU graduates are equipped with the knowledge and skills of the new graduate, baccalaureate prepared nurse.

ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for participation in the AP, the following is required:

- Acceptance into the Hawkeye pool (queue).
- Completion of all Hawkeye prerequisite requirements.
- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher from all schools attended is required for admission to the UIU RN-BSN nursing major and AP pathway.

UIU ONLINE

Online Program

The online nursing program is delivered asynchronously through the learning management system (uiuLearn). All instructional material and coursework is made available via uiuLearn. Although the online program is asynchronous, there are weekly deadlines for assignments just as in other course formats. Online courses are a good fit for learners who are self-directed, able to effectively manage their time, technologically savvy, and able to work through barriers independently.

Advantages of the UIU nursing online program:

- No scheduled class times
- Increased convenience and flexibility

REQUIRED PRE- AND CO-REQUISITES

Hawkeye Pre- and Co-requisites	UIU Additional Requirements
Chemistry (CHM-122) or HS Chemistry*	Acceptance to the AP It is recommended to take MAT-156 Statistics at Hawkeye to fulfill the college math requirement. Students should confer with a UIU advisor before registering.
Composition I (ENG-105)*	
Human Anatomy & Physiology I and II (BIO-168; BIO-173)*	
Introduction to Health Professions (HSC-108)*	
Nurse Aide (HSC-168)*	
College Math (Recommend MAT-156 Statistics)	
Nutrition (BIO-151)	
Introduction to Psychology (PSY-111)	
Fundamentals of Oral Communication (SPC-101)	
Microbiology (BIO-186)	

*Designated pre-requisite courses at Hawkeye. Must be completed prior to starting the nursing program at Hawkeye.

KEY INFORMATION

- Students must be accepted into the Hawkeye pool (queue) to be eligible for the program.
- All students must complete Hawkeye prerequisites as noted above. Repeated coursework will be accepted for pre-requisite courses.
- To ensure that pre- and co-requisites meet program requirements, students are encouraged to meet with a Hawkeye academic/college success specialist.
- Hawkeye and UIU admissions personnel will make final determinations of transfer credits to their respective institutions.

HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Hawkeye and UIU have Health and Safety Requirements that must be met prior to enrolling and participating in any clinical experiences. Healthcare agencies throughout the state require vaccinations, titers, and other healthcare related requirements (examples of these requirements are background checks, CPR, drug and nicotine testing, etc.) These requirements are subject to change per healthcare agency contracts with the educational institution. Students must be compliant with agency requirements prior to and throughout the program.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Who can apply to the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate Accelerated Program?

All students who have completed the eligibility requirements for the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate AP are eligible to apply.

Where does the program take place?

The Hawkeye nursing program is completed at the Hawkeye campus. UIU courses will be taken 100% online.

Is there a waiting list for the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate Accelerated Program?

There is no waiting list for the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate AP. If you are not accepted into the program for the semester to which you applied, you must reapply for consideration in a subsequent application cycle.

How do I apply?

Please see your Hawkeye academic/college success specialist for requirements. All applications must be submitted through the Hawkeye application portal.

Do I need to be admitted to the Hawkeye nursing program and to the UIU nursing program?

Yes. To be eligible to apply for the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate AP, you must be admitted to the Hawkeye nursing program. Following acceptance into the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate AP, you will apply to UIU, and official transcripts from all educational institutions attended must then be submitted to both Hawkeye and to UIU. All official transcripts will be used to calculate admission GPA to the UIU nursing program.

If I will not be finished with all of my pre-requisite courses the semester before I plan to start the program, can I still apply for the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate AP?

To be eligible to apply, all Hawkeye pre-requisite courses must be completed.

How much does the Hawkeye/UIU Associate-Baccalaureate AP cost?

Tuition costs for Hawkeye can be found online at <https://www.hawkeyecollege.edu/programs/nursing/courses>. Textbooks, supplies and course fees are additional. Tuition costs for UIU can be found online at <https://uiu.edu/future/annual-costs.html>. Textbooks and program fees are additional. Hawkeye AP students are eligible for a tuition discount of \$250 per session through the [Transfer Connection Scholarship](#).

If I am receiving financial aid, how will it be disbursed between the two schools?

Because federal regulations require that financial aid can only be disbursed through one college at a time, you will need to apply for financial aid through Hawkeye College during fall and spring semesters and Upper Iowa University during the summer semester. It is highly recommended to consult with both institutions before registering for courses.

How are classes scheduled?

You will be registered for your Hawkeye classes through the online registration portal. UIU nursing courses are all online and schedules will be communicated through your online portal, UIU Academic Advisor and/or email announcements.

Where do I go for academic advisement for this program?

Hawkeye academic/college success specialist and UIU advisors are available for pre-application advisement at Hawkeye locations and UIU. Please reach out to UIU for questions at any time.

Am I required to have a separate Castle Branch profile for both UIU and Hawkeye?

No, both schools will share access for each program. Students are required to remain compliant through both programs.

Upper Iowa University Contact Information

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Hawkeye-UIU ASSOCIATE-BACCALAUREATE ACCELERATED NURSING PROGRAM

Course of Study: Fall Semester Entry at Hawkeye Option #1

This is a sample progression plan for students entering Hawkeye's AAS nursing program in the fall semester. Students will take UIU classes during semesters not enrolled at Hawkeye. **Please note: There are 35 credits in the UIU nursing major. Additional electives may be needed to meet graduation requirements of 120 credits.** Consult with the UIU advisor for approval before making any changes to your progression plan.

Courses		Sample Progression	Credits
Semester 1		Fall Semester at Hawkeye Community College (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 2		Spring Semester at Hawkeye Community College (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 3		Summer	Total: 10
Session 5*	(UIU) MATH 220 (UIU) NUR 301	Elementary Statistics (Or transfer MAT-156 from Hawkeye) Logic and Reasoning in Nursing**	3 credits 3 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) NUR xxx	Nursing Electives	4 credits
Semester 4		Fall Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 5		Spring Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Graduate from Hawkeye Nursing with AAS degree; take and pass NCLEX-RN prior to enrolling in fall UIU courses.			
Semester 6		Summer	Total: 6-12
Session 5*	(UIU) NUR 305 (UIU) NUR 315	Professional Communication for Nurses Professional Nursing Practice	3 credits 3 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) Free Electives	*If needed to meet graduation requirements	Up to 6 credits
Semester 7		Fall	Total: 14
Session 1*	(UIU) NUR 325 (UIU) NUR 400	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care I Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	4 credits 3 credits
Session 2*	(UIU) NUR 335 (UIU) NUR 420	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care II Nursing Leadership and Management	4 credits 3 credits
Semester 8		Spring	Total: 8
Session 3*	(UIU) NUR 340 (UIU) NUR 450	Community Health Nursing*** Nursing Concepts Capstone I***	4 credits 2 credits
Session 4*	(UIU) NUR 455	Nursing Concepts Capstone II***	2 credits

*UIU Sessions 1-5 are 8 weeks long, Session 6 is 6 weeks long.

**Or hold a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited school

***Must hold RN license to be eligible to participate in these courses

Hawkeye-UIU ASSOCIATE-BACCALAUREATE ACCELERATED NURSING PROGRAM

Course of Study: Fall Semester Entry at Hawkeye Option #2

This is a sample progression plan for students entering Hawkeye's AAS nursing program in the fall semester. Students will take UIU classes during semesters not enrolled at Hawkeye. **Please note: There are 35 credits in the UIU nursing major. Additional electives may be needed to meet graduation requirements of 120 credits.** Consult with the UIU advisor for approval before making any changes to your progression plan.

Courses		Sample Progression	Credits
Semester 1		Summer	Total: 10
Session 5*	(UIU) MATH 220 (UIU) NUR 301	Elementary Statistics (Or transfer MAT-156 from Hawkeye) Logic and Reasoning in Nursing**	3 credits 3 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) NUR xxx	Nursing Electives	4 credits
Semester 2		Fall Semester at Hawkeye Community College (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 3		Spring Semester at Hawkeye Community College (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 4		Summer	Total: 10
Session 5*	(UIU) NUR 305 (UIU) NUR 325	Professional Communication for Nurses Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care I	3 credits 4 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) NUR 315	Professional Nursing Practice	3 credits
Semester 5		Fall Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 6		Spring Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Graduate from Hawkeye Nursing with AAS degree; take and pass NCLEX-RN prior to enrolling in fall UIU courses.			
Semester 7		Summer	Total: 10
Session 5*	(UIU) NUR 335 (UIU) NUR 400	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care II Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	4 credits 3 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) NUR 420	Nursing Leadership and Management	3 credits
Semester 8		Fall	Total: 8
Session 1*	(UIU) NUR 340 (UIU) NUR 450	Community Health Nursing*** Nursing Concepts Capstone I***	4 credits 2 credits
Session 2*	(UIU) NUR 455	Nursing Concepts Capstone II***	2 credits

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Course of Study: Spring Semester Entry at Hawkeye Option

This is a sample progression plan for students entering Hawkeye's AAS nursing program in the spring semester. Students will take UIU classes during semesters not enrolled at Hawkeye. **Please note: There are 35 credits in the UIU nursing major. Additional electives may be needed to meet graduation requirements of 120 credits.** Consult with the UIU advisor for approval before making any changes to your progression plan.

Courses		Sample Progression	Credits
Semester 1		Spring Semester at Hawkeye Community College (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 2		Summer	Total: 10
Session 5*	(UIU) MATH 220 (UIU) NUR 301	Elementary Statistics (Or transfer MAT-156 from Hawkeye) Logic and Reasoning in Nursing**	3 credits 3 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) NUR xxx	Nursing Electives	4 credits
Semester 3		Fall Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 4		Spring Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Semester 5		Summer	Total: 6-12
Session 5*	(UIU) NUR 305 (UIU) NUR 315	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care I Professional Nursing Practice	6 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) Free Electives	*If needed to meet graduation requirements	Up to 6 credits
Semester 6		Fall Semester at Hawkeye (No scheduled classes at UIU)	
Graduate from Hawkeye Nursing with AAS degree; take and pass NCLEX-RN prior to enrolling in fall UIU courses.			
Semester 7		Spring	Total: 14
Session 3*	(UIU) NUR 325 (UIU) NUR 400	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care I Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing	4 credits 3 credits
Session 4*	(UIU) NUR 335 (UIU) NUR 420	Integrated Concepts of Nursing Care II Nursing Leadership and Management	4 credits 3 credits
Semester 8		Summer	Total: 8
Session 5*	(UIU) NUR 340 (UIU) NUR 450	Community Health Nursing*** Nursing Concepts Capstone I***	4 credits 2 credits
Session 6*	(UIU) NUR 455	Nursing Concepts Capstone II***	2 credits

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STEPS TO SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF Hawkeye/UIU ACCELERATED PROGRAM (AP)

Step 1	Student is accepted to Hawkeye Community College AAS program.
Step 2	Student fills out Upper Iowa University application for admission.
Step 3	Student submits all official transcripts to UIU.
Step 4	Student is admitted to Hawkeye/UIU AP.
Step 5	Student begins Hawkeye/UIU AP.

NOTES
