Established in 1935, the Saint Xavier University School of Nursing offered the first accredited baccalaureate nursing program in the state of Illinois. Professional Nursing requires knowledge, competence and compassion. The diversified skills needed for nursing practice demand a strong scientific foundation and liberal education. The School of Nursing at Saint Xavier University has a reputation for excellence and tradition of service to students and the community. For students seeking to become registered professional nurses, the undergraduate nursing program provides:

- A strong curriculum
- Fully accredited programs
- Modern computer and simulation laboratory facilities
- Clinical experience in culturally diverse communities and health care agencies in the greater Chicago area

### Degrees Offered
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)
  - Pre-Licensure
  - LPN-BSN
- Master of Science (MSN)
- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Clinical Leadership
- Executive Leadership
- MSN/MBA

### Suggested Program of Study (Pre-Licensure)

#### Freshman I
- **ACSU 100:** Transitions 1
- **ENGL 120:** Rhetoric & Writing 3
- **COMM 101:** Speech Fundamentals 3
- **CHEM 107:** Principles of Inorganic Chemistry 4
- **PSYCH 101:** Principles of Psychology 3
- **FYS 175:** First-Year Seminar 3
  
  **Total:** 17

#### Freshman II
- **PHIL 140:** The Examined Life 3
- **CHEM 108:** Principles of Organic & Biochemistry 4
- **BIOL 202:** Human Anatomy 4
- **PSYCH 199:** Human Development Through the Life Cycle 3
- **MATH:** General Ed. 3
  
  **Total:** 17

#### Sophomore I
- **BIOL 203:** Human Physiology 4
- **BIOL 206:** Microbiology 4
- **SOC 210:** Sociology of the Family 3
- **HIST:** General Ed. 3
- **LIT/FINE ARTS:** General Ed. 3
  
  **Total:** 17

#### Sophomore II
- **BIOL 309:** Pathophysiology 3
- **PSYCH 204:** Introduction to the Study of Psychopathology 3
- **NURS 282:** Concepts in Professional Nursing 3
- **NURS 326:** Health Assessment in Nursing Practice 3
- **NURSL 326:** Health Assessment in Nursing Practice Lab 0
- **PHIL:** General Ed. 3
  
  **Total:** 15

#### Junior I
- **NURS 212:** Introduction to Pharmacological Concepts Related to Nursing 3
- **NURS 328:** Mentoring in Professional Nursing I .5
- **NURS 336:** Introduction to Nursing Therapeutics & Illness Management 3
- **NURSP 337:** Introduction to Nursing Therapeutics & Illness Management Practicum 2
- **NURS 347:** Nursing Care of the Older Adult 3
- **LIT/FINE ARTS:** General Ed. 3
  
  **Total:** 17.5

#### Junior II
- **NURS 311:** Mental Health Nursing 2
- **NURSP 312:** Mental Health Nursing Practicum 1
- **NURS 329:** Mentoring in Professional Nursing II .5
- **NURS 344:** Nursing Care of Adults 3
- **NURSP 345:** Nursing Care of Adults Practicum 2
- **NURS 346:** Ethical, Legal and Spiritual Dimensions of Nursing Practice 1
- **NURS 356:** Nursing Research: Connecting Research & Practice 3
- **HIST:** General Ed. 3
  
  **Total:** 15.5

### Faculty Profile
The faculty of the School of Nursing are experienced, professional nurses who hold academic degrees from a wide variety of colleges and universities and are actively involved in research and practice. Additionally, nursing faculty participate in professional organizations at the local, state and national levels. In the classroom, dedicated faculty members bring their diverse educational, professional and clinical practice experiences to students.
Senior I
NURS 316: Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family 2
NURSP 317: Nursing Care of the Childbearing Family Practicum 1
NURS338: Mentoring in Professional Nursing III .5
NURS 342: Nursing Care of Children 2
NURSP 343: Nursing Care of Children Practicum 1
NURS 357: Community and Population Focused Nursing Care 2
NURSP 358: Community and Population Focused Nursing Care Practicum 1
NURS 390: Health Policy & Politics 2
RELS: General Ed. 3

Senior II
NURS 339: Mentoring in Professional Nursing .5
NURS 366: Advanced Nursing Therapeutics 3
NURSP 367: Advanced Nursing Therapeutics Practicum 2
NURSL 368: Advanced Nursing Therapeutics Lab 0
NURS 392: Nursing Management in Professional Nursing Practice 3
NURSP 393: Nursing Management in Professional Nursing Practice Practicum 3
NURS: Elective 2

General Education Requirements
ACSU 100: Transitions 1
ENGL 120: Rhetoric & Writing 3
COMM 101: Speech Fundamentals 3
FYS 175: First-Year Seminar 3
Social Sciences 6
Philosophy 6
Religious Studies 6
History 6
Literature and Fine Arts 6
Math 3
Natural Sciences 6
Sciences 6

Total Semester Hours: 14.5

Supportive Courses
COMM 101: Speech Fundamentals 3
BIOL 202: Human Anatomy 4
BIOL 203: Human Physiology 4
BIOL 206: Microbiology 4
BIOL 309: Pathophysiology 3
CHEM 107: Principles of Inorganic Chemistry 4
CHEM 108: Principles of Organic and Biochemistry 4
MATH: General Ed. 3
PSYCH 101: Principles and Methods of Psychology 3
PSYCH 199: Human Development Through the Life Cycle 3
PSYCH 204: Introduction to the Study of Psychopathology 3
SOC 210: Sociology of the Family 3

Total Semester Hours: 41

Note: Students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 before they will be allowed to begin nursing courses.

PLUS
Partnership in Learning for Utmost Success (PLUS) is a series of one semester hour elective academic courses in nursing that are offered concurrently with specific nursing courses. PLUS is designed to increase students’ opportunities for success in the baccalaureate nursing program by strengthening students’ academic skills and facilitating course-specific learning.

Additional Requirements:
Students are responsible for completing and clearing a criminal background check as a condition of admission to the nursing program and must do so annually thereafter. All students shall have an ongoing duty to report any violations of this policy and/or state and/or federal law. Nursing students must provide evidence of compliance with the following University and clinical agency health requirements:

- Physical Examination
- Titers
- Tetanus
- Annual TB Screen
- Influenza Immunization
- Current BLS certification for Healthcare Providers

Additionally, students are required to test negative for drugs in a screening prior to beginning their clinical experience and as required by clinical agencies. The University and School of Nursing reserve the right to require random drug screenings based upon reasonable suspicion. Making arrangements for transportation to clinical sites is the responsibility of the student. Students are also responsible for any parking fees or other costs involved in travelling to clinical sites which may vary from site to site.

Transfer Students
Transfer students are required to take the Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) Test of Essential Academic Skills V (TEAS V) and achieve the proficient level in order to be considered for admission to Saint Xavier University’s School of Nursing. The exam may be taken twice. For further information about TEAS V and how to register please go to: https://www.sxu.edu/academics/resouces/records_advising/advising/testing_registration.asp

Transfer Application Deadlines
October 1 is the deadline to apply for admission as a pre-clinical nursing major for the spring of the following calendar year. February 15 is the deadline to apply for admission in the fall of the next academic year. Please note that consideration for enrollment in the program requires that the application process is completed and the TEAS test has already been taken by the deadline date. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Upon admission into the nursing program, transfer students will be given a semester start date indicating when they are eligible to begin nursing coursework. Transfer students must complete all remaining core and supportive courses at Saint Xavier University with a minimum cumulative G.P.A. of 2.75 or higher before starting nursing courses.

Admission
For more information about the nursing program or to schedule a visit please contact the Saint Xavier University Office of Admission:
Phone: (800) 462-9288
Fax: (773) 298-3076
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Financial Aid
If you would like to learn more about financial aid options contact the Saint Xavier University Office of Financial Aid:
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