

BSN Readiness Self Analysis

Consider the following questions to determine if you are ready to begin the full BSN Nursing Degree:

- 1. Are you currently working? If so, do you have the ability to decrease your work hours, or stop working once accepted into the BSN degree?
- 2. Do you have childcare arranged for class and clinical days? This can include days with varying hours (6:30 am-7:30 pm, 8:00 am-4:00 pm, etc.)
- 3. Do you have reliable transportation for class and clinical days, which can total 4-5 days per week?
- 4. Do you realize that if you are being admitted in spring or summer, your financial aid may not be enough? Regular students are granted financial aid packages that are split between fall and spring. If you are coming into the Nursing program in spring, half your aid was already disbursed in fall and you still need to split your spring aid in half again to have some funds in summer. If you are a summer admit, you may have NO aid left to disburse. Additionally, there is a finite amount you can borrow via Stafford loans and PELL grants... do you know where you are with those amounts? https://www.unlv.edu/finaid
- 5. Are you prepared to pay for the **BSN** nursing tuition? **Estimated** cost while in nursing school, including books and fees (Fall 2016 costs):
 - a. Level 1 \$6,000 In State / \$13,000 Out of State + \$780 for books
 - b. Level 2 \$6,300 In State / \$13,250 Out of State + \$460 for books
 - c. Level 3 \$6,700 In State / \$13,700 Out of State + \$450 for books
 - d. Level 4 \$6,300 In State / \$13,200 Out of State + \$400 for books
- 6. If you utilize the Disability Resource Center, do you have accommodations in place?
- 7. Do you have any upcoming family obligations that may prevent you from focusing on your studies? (Ex. birth of a child, medical procedure, etc.)
- 8. Are you prepared and have a support system in place for being in class or clinical long days Monday Friday AND still have time to study.
- 9. BSN degree is an accelerated degree 16 months 15 weeks on and 2 weeks off. It **does not** follow the traditional UNLV semester schedule.
- 10. The School of Nursing has a two miss rule, if you are late or miss clinical twice, you will be dismissed from the program.