**ABSN Program Application Checklist**

The ABSN program admits 55 students once a year, during the fall semester.

Deadlines: **January 6** to WCU and **January 16th** to the ABSN Program

**STEP 1:** Apply to Western Carolina University as a pre-nursing student – C*andidates who have not completed NSG 346 and/or ND 330 should apply for University admissions for the summer semester before they intend to start the program.*

**Transfer applicants:** [Apply using the Transfer Student application](https://www.wcu.edu/apply/undergraduate-admissions/apply.aspx)

**Returning students:** [Apply using the Returning Student](https://www.wcu.edu/apply/undergraduate-admissions/apply.aspx) application

**Applicants must:**

* Pay University application fee ($65)
* Send official transcripts from **all** prior institutions, test results (e.g. AP, CLEP), and any other requested information to: *Please have official transcripts sent electronically through a secure server to:*[*Admiss@wcu.edu*](mailto:Admiss@wcu.edu?subject=)*(Preferred Method)  
  Or they may be mailed to: Western Carolina University, Office of Undergraduate Admissions, 110 H.F. Robinson Building, Cullowhee, NC 28723*

**STEP 2:** Apply to the ABSN Program through the online application.

* Select WCU’s ABSN program at [www.nursingcas.org](http://www.nursingcas.org)
* Complete each section of the application.
  + ***Transcript Entry*** *and* ***Supporting Information*** *sections are* ***not*** *required.*
* Unofficial transcripts should be uploaded under the *Colleges Attended* section for each institution attended. *You do* ***not*** *need to send official transcripts to NursingCAS or pay for their transcript review*
* Upload your TEAS Score Report – WCU should be designated as your score recipient.
* Upload your [Prerequisite Completion Plan](https://www.wcu.edu/WebFiles/PDFs/Nursing_Undergradate_Prereq_completion_plan.pdf) under *Other.*
* Upload your resumé and a personal statement addressing the following questions. Responses should be single spaced, 12 pt font, and a maximum word count of 500 words.

1. What makes a great nurse?   
a. Identify what you consider are the three most important qualities that a make a great nurse.  
b. Tell us about an experience (job, situation, life experience) where you had to demonstrate the qualities identified above.

2. We recognize academic performance is only one indicator of success. Provide us with insight related to your academic history.

* Upload any test results (e.g. AP, CLEP, DANTES), and any other requested information
* Submit and pay the NursingCAS processing fee
* Interviews are tentatively scheduled the week of February 13th or the week of February 20th.