

# Westmont Nursing Undergraduate Fast Track Pathway to Direct Admission

The Pathway to Direct Admission offers qualified Westmont undergraduate students a streamlined route to earning their Bachelor of Science in Nursing. By enrolling in this pathway early in your time at Westmont, you'll complete your general education and science prerequisites while working toward your first degree and admission into the ABSN program, ultimately earning two bachelor's degrees in just 4½ years.

## How It Works

### 1. Direct / Preferred Admission into ABSN

Upon meeting eligibility criteria (GPA, prerequisite completion, application deadlines, course overlap, TEAS, etc.) and maintaining good academic standing, you may be directly admitted into the ABSN in your final undergraduate semester.



### 2. Early Access to Nursing Prerequisites

As part of the Fast Track program, you'll take the required prerequisite coursework (science, general education, etc.) while pursuing your first bachelor's degree. These prerequisites are aligned with the ABSN admission requirements.

### 3. Transition to ABSN / Overlap Semester

Once admitted to the ABSN program, you'll begin your nursing classes and finish your first degree requirements in the same "overlap" semester (final semester of your first degree program). At that point, you'll receive your first bachelor's degree, then continue one additional year in the ABSN program to complete nursing coursework and clinical experiences.

### 4. Finish In Less Time

This seamless transition allows you to complete both a first degree of your choice and your BSN in just 4½ years, rather than completing a separate undergraduate degree and applying later, or having to navigate impacted programs or extended timelines in a traditional BSN program.

### 5. Financial Aid & Support

Westmont is committed to making a high-quality nursing education financially attainable. Financial aid is available throughout both parts of the pathway, with an exclusive opportunity to overlap academic merit aid, institutional aid, and private funds during the transition semester.



# Eligibility & Requirements

## 1. Indicate Your Interest & Meet With An Advisor

You must indicate your interest in the Fast Track program using the Fast Track ABSN Program Interest Form and meet with the Nursing Advisor and the Academic Advisor for your first degree to confirm eligibility. You must be able to overlap at least one class in your transition semester.

## 2. Prerequisite Courses Completed

You'll need to complete all prerequisite courses for the ABSN program during your first undergraduate degree at Westmont's main campus. These prerequisites align with nursing science and the liberal arts.

## 3. Application Completed On Time

Submit all required documents alongside your application by your specified application deadline – Fall Cohort: February 15, Spring Cohort: August 15, Summer Cohort: November 15

## 4. Meet GPA and TEAS Score Requirements

Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.40 and a minimum science GPA of 3.30 at the time of application submission. Earn an 80% or more on the TEAS exam. Applicants must remain in good academic standing after the submission of their application.

# Benefits of the Fast Track

## 1. Your Education, Your Way

Earn two bachelor's degrees in 4½ years, choosing the first degree you want, and pairing it with your Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

## 2. Reduced Risk

Prerequisites are built into your undergraduate coursework for ease of access, and direct entry requirements are transparent. You'll know everything you need to do to guarantee your entry into the program.

## 3. Supportive, Close-Knit Community

Small class sizes and dedicated faculty foster personalized mentorship and strong peer relationships. From your first day as an undergraduate to your final day of nursing school, you are known by name, supported academically and spiritually, and guided by instructors with deep professional experience.

## 4. Christ-Centered Nursing Education

Westmont integrates faith and learning, preparing nurses to provide compassionate, ethical, and holistic care. You'll be equipped to see nursing as both a profession and a calling to serve others with excellence and grace.

## 5. High Academic & Clinical Standards

Pursue a rigorous education that blends the liberal arts with health science and clinical expertise. Westmont's state-of-the-art nursing campus and partnership with excellent health networks ensure strong academic foundations and high-quality clinical placements in real healthcare settings, helping you build confidence and clinical readiness before entering patient care settings.

