



# UAB SCHOOL OF NURSING

## UAB High School Nursing Scholars Program

The **UAB High School Nursing Scholars Program** is for academically talented high school seniors who are strongly considering a career in nursing. The UAB Nursing Scholars Program insures admission to the world-class UAB School of Nursing upon successful completion of the required undergraduate pre-nursing foundation and core classes. A minimum BSN Foundation GPA of 3.2 and an overall GPA of 3.0 is required for entry into the upper division nursing courses.

### Qualifications

- A high school senior with a composite ACT score of 25 or above or a composite SAT score of 1130.
- A minimum high school grade point average of 3.2 on the academic classes required for admissions to UAB.
- Be admitted through the UAB Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

### Application Process

- Be admitted through the UAB Office of Undergraduate Admissions.
- Complete the UAB Nursing Scholars Program application.
- One letter of recommendation from a high school administrator, counselor or teacher describing your suitability for a career in nursing.
- Write a one-page essay on why you have selected nursing as a career and your plans
- A resume, outlining health care interest/experience, campus/community involvement, leadership, employment, etc.
- Official high school transcript sent to the School of Nursing Office of Student Affairs.
- The School of Nursing Office of Student Affairs must receive the completed UAB Nursing Scholars Program application, recommendation, resume, essay, and the official high school transcript by **December 1, 2010**.

### Selection

The composite ACT or SAT score, the applicant's high school academic grade point average (computed on subjects required for undergraduate admission to UAB) and all additional application material will be used in the selection process for the UAB Nursing Scholars Program. Notification of acceptance to the UAB Nursing Scholars Program will be made by the second week of February.

### Financial Aid

If you need financial support to earn a college degree, UAB can make it easy to apply for assistance. When you submit a completed financial aid application, you are considered for all aid programs for which you qualify. UAB Nursing Scholars Program applicants are encouraged to inquire about academic scholarships.

**Eligibility:** BSN Applicants that have met the following Nurse Scholars requirements.

1. Meet the specifications of a "Native UAB Student" – see definition below.
2. Maintain a minimum **BSN Foundation GPA of 3.2**, a minimum **overall GPA of 3.0** and a minimum grade of "C" for all required Pre-Nursing courses **at time of application and the time of admission** to the School of Nursing.
3. Applicants must:
  - a. Be classified as a Pre-Nursing student
  - b. Have met with their assigned Pre-Nursing Advisor for advisement
  - c. Have obtained the BSN application information from their Pre-Nursing Advisor.

Applicants who meet all of these eligibility requirements will be admitted to the School of Nursing's BSN program at time of application as long as the 3.2 BSN Foundation GPA, the 3.0 Overall UAB GPA and a minimum grade of "C" in all required Pre-Nursing courses is maintained after all BSN pre-nursing courses have been completed and posted. Applicants must also meet all usual BSN admission requirements including: being certified in CPR; being free of any financial, administrative or academic holds; and adhering to posted deadlines, etc.

**Native UAB Student** (for BSN admission purposes): **A pre-nursing student who has attended UAB for all university coursework.**

\*\*Exceptions include:

1. AP, CLEP and IB credit posted on the student's UAB transcript.
  - 2A. Dual-Enrollment courses taken while a high school student (maximum 12 hours accepted for admission to the School of Nursing).
- OR**
- 2B. Courses taken between graduating from high school and enrolling as a UAB freshman (one semester, 12 credit maximum).
  3. Courses approved, in advance, through the official UAB "Transient" form process; this includes final approval by the SON.

**\*\*A student cannot exceed a combination of 15 hours credit prior to first time enrollment at UAB.**

For additional information please contact the Student Affairs Office, School of Nursing, @ 205-996-7130 or visit our web site [www.uab.edu/nursing](http://www.uab.edu/nursing).

For an undergraduate admission application and admissions information, contact:

**Office of Undergraduate Admissions**

Hill University Center, Room 260  
1530 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South  
Birmingham, AL 35294-1150  
Telephone: 1-800-421-8743 or (205) 934-8221

For financial aid applications and scholarship information, contact:

**Office of Student Financial Aid**

Hill University Center, Room 317  
1530 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South  
Birmingham, AL 35294-1150  
Telephone: (205) 934-8223

For any questions concerning the UAB Nursing Scholars Program or the School of Nursing, contact:

**Office of Student Affairs**

School of Nursing  
Nursing Building, Room 208  
1530 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South  
Birmingham, AL 35294-1210  
Telephone: (205) 996-7130  
Web site: [www.uab.edu/son](http://www.uab.edu/son)

