

Pre-Nursing Students

Note of Advice

MCB2000 and Lab are required along with other science courses for entry into the BSN in the School of Nursing. This course will cover the basics of biological sciences (cell structure, metabolism, growth and genetics) as well as the basic nature of microbial diseases, immunology, epidemiology. Mastery of these areas will pay off in future professional nursing courses: consider that both the human host and the bacteria pathogens must have viable metabolism and genetic systems to cause disease and resist disease. This course is not simply a requirement to “get through”, but rather one that can provide, with your other science required courses, the fundamental scientific background to Nursing.

Please note that the admission requirements to FIU’s Nursing program **does not allow repeats** in science courses. That means you must earn at a minimum a grade of C (not C- or lower). If you are a “get through” type of person, then please consider that admission to the School of Nursing **is competitive**. A grade of C does not guarantee that you will get in, students with A’s and B’s will be taken first. There is GOOD REASON for this. Consider this: if you were in a hospital emergency ward as a patient, would you like to be treated by a Nurse that barely passed to get in, or rather one who got an A or B? This semester could be one of the first in a successful career in professional nursing; or it could be the last.

The FIU School of Nursing is one of excellence. Students who have completed the program score high on their Board Exams. In fact FIU student nurses score higher than any other Nursing program in the State. If this is your calling, then please take seriously the Study Guide and Study Plan.