PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Marion Peckham Egan School of Nursing and Health Studies offers a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree for individuals who hold a bachelor’s degree in a field other than nursing. The accelerated program begins in the summer semester each June, and continues through graduation in August of the following year — a total of 15 months.

The Second Degree BSN Program is designed to draw on your prior education and experience while allowing you to earn a second bachelor’s degree. This previous knowledge serves as a foundation for nursing courses and helps you develop the social awareness, critical thinking skills, aesthetic sensibility and values that prepare you to sit for the NCLEX licensing exam. The program will empower you to become a leader in the nursing field.

COURSE OF STUDY

The Second Degree program includes:
• 15-month, full-time intensive study
• Personalized advisement and career counseling
• Financial aid opportunities for qualified students
• The advantage of networking with other student nursing professionals
• Low faculty/student ratios that provide personal attention

SEQUENCE OF COURSES

First Summer Session (18 credits)
• Introduction to Professional Nursing (3 credits)
• Healthcare Delivery (3 credits)
• Health Assessment (4 credits)
• Geriatric Nursing (4 credits)
• Fundamentals of Nursing Care (4 credits)

Fall Semester (15 credits)
• Health and Wellness (3 credits)
• Basic Pathophysiology and Pharmacology (3 credits)
• Mental Health Nursing (4 credits)
• Medical Surgical Nursing I (5 credits)

Spring Semester (15 credits)
• Foundations of Research for Evidenced Based Practice (3 credits)
• Pediatric Nursing (4 credits)
• Medical Surgical Nursing II (5 credits)
• Professional Nursing Leadership (3 credits)

Second Summer Semester (12 credits)
• Community, Public and Global Health Nursing (4 credits)
• Transition to Professional Practice (4 credits)
• Maternal & Newborn Nursing (4 credits)

More detailed information is available on our website at www.fairfield.edu/seconddegree

ADULT PROGRAM DIRECTOR

All Second Degree Program applicants are required to interview with Adult Program Director, Carole A. Pomarico, anytime before, during, or just after completing and submitting their application.

Carole A. Pomarico
Phone: 203-254-4000, ext. 4150
E-mail: capomarico@fairfield.edu

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Before entering the program, qualified students must:
• Hold a bachelor’s degree with an earned GPA of 3.0 or higher
• Have completed the core courses required for a liberal arts degree at Fairfield University, as well as basic science courses:
  - English (6 credits)  2 courses
  - Ethics (3 credits)  1 course
  - Philosophy (3 credits)  1 course
  - Religion (3 credits)  1 course
  - General Electives (33 credits)  11 courses
• Have completed all prerequisite courses (not older than 10 years) with a grade of B or better through an accredited institution. Any of the courses not completed during your undergraduate work may be taken at Fairfield University or any accredited college or university, part-time, before beginning the Second Degree BSN Program. An advisor will meet with you to review your transcript.
  - Anatomy and Physiology I and II, plus labs (8 credits)
  - Chemistry, plus lab (4 credits)
  - Developmental Psychology (3 credits)
  - Microbiology, plus lab (4 credits)
  - Statistics (3 credits)
• Schedule an interview with the Adult Program Director for the Second Degree BSN Program (see section above for Adult Program Director information)
• Complete an application at www.fairfield.edu/sdnuapp

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FORMAL APPLICATION PROCESS

Students seeking admission must complete and submit the following online:

(Apply online at www.fairfield.edu/sdnuapp)

1. A professional résumé
2. A personal statement
3. Official transcripts from all universities/colleges attended (All foreign transcripts must be evaluated by an approved evaluating service. A list of approved evaluators can be found on the Second Degree BSN webpage at www.fairfield.edu/seconddegree in the Application Information section.
4. Two recommendations, one of which must be from a current supervisor or professor.
5. All international students whose native language is not English must demonstrate proficiency in the English language by taking either TOEFL or IELTS exams. For admission to this program, a TOEFL composite score of 550 for the paper test, 213 for the computer-based test, 80 on the internet-based test or an IELTS score of 6.5 is strongly recommended. Scores must be sent directly from the Educational Testing Service (TOEFL) or www.IELTS.org. Fairfield’s ETS code is 3390.

Submit all official transcripts and any other documents to:

E-mail: ptadmiss@fairfield.edu

Or Mail:

Fairfield University
Office of Part-Time & Continuing Studies Admission
Kelley Center
1073 North Benson Road
Fairfield, CT 06824

MANDATORY IMMUNIZATIONS

Connecticut State law requires each matriculated student to provide proof of immunity or screening against measles, mumps, rubella, varicella (chicken pox), meningitis and tuberculosis. Certain exemptions based on age and housing status apply. Matriculating students are defined as those enrolled in a degree seeking program. More detailed information and the required forms are available online at www.fairfield.edu/sdnuimm. Completed forms should be submitted directly to the Student Health Center. Although this is not required to complete an application, you must provide proof of immunity/screening prior to course registration. Please consult your private health care provider to obtain the necessary immunizations. Questions may be directed to the Student Health Center at 203-254-4000, ext. 2241 or e-mail health@fairfield.edu.

ADMISSION DEADLINE

December 1 for June enrollment. Once your application is complete and reviewed, you will be notified of your status.

HOUSING

Fairfield University frequently offers housing for full-time second degree students in several locations for each academic year. Student housing options include independent off-campus houses and an apartment style residence hall (Dolan Hall). For details and a housing application, visit www.fairfield.edu/gradhousing.

TUITION/FINANCIAL AID

Academic Year 2019/20
Tuition: $800 per credit

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

There is a limited amount of need-based federal and University aid available. Financial aid programs consist of federal and University grants and federal student loans. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.gov at least four weeks prior to the start of the semester. Additional information about applications and financing can be found online at www.fairfield.edu/ptaid.

We encourage all Fairfield University students to speak with a Financial Aid Counselor. Please contact the office if you have questions.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Kimberly Fetko, Assistant Director
Financial Aid
Phone: 203-254-4125
Fax: 203-254-4008
E-mail: kfetko@fairfield.edu

OFFICE OPERATIONS

Days: Monday-Friday
Hours: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Location: Aloysius P. Kelley, S.J. Center

TAX DEDUCTIONS

Please be sure to check with a tax advisor to learn what and how much educational expenses are now tax deductible within the law.

VETERANS PRIDE PROGRAM

Veterans may apply educational benefits to degree studies pursued at Fairfield University. To learn more about our enhanced financial aid benefits for veterans, see www.fairfield.edu/veterans.

MORE INFORMATION

ADMISSION QUESTIONS

Questions about the application process should be directed to the Office of Part-Time & Continuing Studies Admission.
Phone: 203-254-5532
Fax: 203-254-4073
E-mail: ptadmiss@fairfield.edu

OFFICE OPERATIONS

Days: Monday-Friday
Hours: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Location: Aloysius P. Kelley, S.J. Center

EGAN SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH STUDIES WEBSITE

www.fairfield.edu/nursing

ONLINE CATALOG

For detailed course descriptions and other University information, please refer to our online catalog www.fairfield.edu/catalogs.