Graduation

Special Requirements of the School

All students must fulfill the General Requirements for graduation. Students in the School of Nursing must also fulfill the following requirements:

a. All University students must have a grade point average of at least 2.00 to graduate. In the School of Nursing, students must also have a grade point average of at least 2.00 in the coursework used to fulfill the upper-division requirement.

b. A candidate must complete the prescribed curriculum and must meet all other requirements of the School of Nursing.

c. A student must supply the School of Nursing with transcripts of courses taken outside the school as the courses are completed.

Degree Audit

Each semester during group advising, students conduct their own degree audits, which provide information about the courses they must take and the requirements they must fulfill to receive their degree. The degree audit is normally done according to the catalog in effect when the student was admitted to the School of Nursing, but the student may choose to have it done according to any catalog under which he or she is eligible to graduate. Rules on graduation under a particular catalog are given in Graduation Under a Particular Catalog. It is the student’s responsibility to fulfill all catalog requirements. The Office of Student Services is available to provide guidance to students as needed.

Licensure as a Professional Nurse

Upon graduation from the BSN program, students seeking licensure as a registered nurse must register to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX). To ensure eligibility, the Texas Board of Nursing will rerun the criminal background check that was conducted prior to beginning the nursing program. In addition, students must meet all of the eligibility requirements for licensure as indicated by the Texas Board of Nursing. To determine eligibility, students should consult the Texas Board of Nursing website. Students with questions or concerns are encouraged to contact the Board of Nursing directly prior to enrollment in the nursing program and consult with the Assistant Dean for Student Services at the School of Nursing.