

Undergraduate Academic Advising Tips

When preparing for your academic advising sessions, please review policy F-15 on Academic Advising using the link <http://nursing.lsuhscc.edu/Administration/PoliciesAndProcedures.html>

Even though students can register for courses online, you should meet with your advisees to ensure they are fully aware of their specific progression requirements.

Some helpful tips:

You should have a copy of your advisee's program of study and a copy of their unofficial transcript from People Soft.

Any traditional BSN student entering their original program of study in the fall 2013 semester and after, should not have to take a nursing elective. Those students are in the 120 hour curriculum. If a student began their program prior to fall 2013, and have had to repeat a course or if they are slow tracking, please check with the office of student affairs to see if they have agreed to transition into the 120 hour curriculum prior to advising them to take an elective. Keep in mind that any student can take an elective, depending on their present level in the curriculum. Some electives require students be at the Junior or senior level. You can find this information in the catalog under course descriptions.

All students are required to have 9 hours of humanities credit. If a student must complete the last 3 hours of humanities, it must be completed **prior to beginning the Sr. I semester**. Humanities can be considered from the following subject content: *Literature, Foreign Language, History, Communications, Philosophy, Classical Studies, and Religious Studies*. The humanities can be any level and must be taken within the LSU system since they are now a student here.

Students are not allowed to take courses elsewhere that are offered on our campus, such as statistics and genetics, if they have not transferred in those credits from previous coursework prior to being admitted here. If statistics or genetics was taken prior to entering the school of nursing, the student may have already received credit or they must petition for credit to the Admissions, Progressions and Graduation Committee. The student must attach a copy of the course syllabus with the petition. Petitions should then be given to the Office of Student Affairs by the student.

If the student was a previous CARE student that transferred into the traditional BSN program, please contact Stephanie Pierce if you have any questions or concerns. CARE students are admitted with 40 prerequisite credit hours. You can find the CARE prerequisite details on the CARE curriculum webpage <http://nursing.lsuhscc.edu/AcademicPrograms/Undergraduate/CARE/Curriculum.html> Please keep in mind that the CARE students have met all of prerequisite requirements upon admission.

At any time, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of the undergraduate Program Directors, Associate Dean, Tracie Gravolet or the Office of Student Affairs.