

**Bradley University**  
**College of Education and Health Science**  
**Department of Nursing**

**Policy:** Undergraduate Nursing Academic Progression, Withdrawal, and Dismissal

**Purpose:** To establish clear criteria and procedures for all undergraduate nursing major students at Bradley University. Progression within the major requires minimum criteria and guidelines for successful completion of the program.

**Policy Statements:**

***Academic Progression:***

***GPA requirements:***

Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average (GPA) in order to remain in the nursing major and to enroll in courses identified as “majors only.”

Freshman that have less than a 2.5 cumulative grade point average at the end of the spring semester of Freshman year will be required to select another major or will be automatically enrolled in the Academic Exploration Program (AEP).

Sophomore, junior, and senior students with less than a 2.5 GPA will not be allowed to progress at the end of the semester in which their cumulative GPA falls below the minimum 2.5. Students must petition within 1 calendar year to re-enter the nursing sequence of courses once GPA requirements have been met. (See Petition to Re-enter the Nursing Sequence Policy)

***Minimum Passing Standard:***

Students must earn a grade of “C” or better in all courses required in the major in order to progress in the nursing program.

Students must earn a “C” or better in the cumulative score of exams in all nursing courses in which exams are administered in order to pass the nursing course.

A student who earns a grade lower than a “C” in any required nursing course **may not progress to the next semester in the nursing program of study.** The student must petition to repeat the course and re-enter the nursing sequence. (See Petition to Re-enter the Nursing Sequence Policy)

***Concurrent Enrollment:***

Students enrolled in practicum courses must be enrolled in the companion theory course or have the consent of the department chairperson.

***Repeating or Re-Enrolling in a Nursing Course:***

A student is permitted to re-enroll or repeat a nursing course **only once** per academic career.

***Academic Dismissal:***

If a student earns less than a “C” in an additional nursing course, they will be dismissed from the nursing program. Students will then be referred to either the Academic Success Center (ASC) or Academic Exploration Program (AEP) for assistance in finding a new major.

The Department of Nursing follows the University's [policies and procedures on scholastic probation and dismissal](#). Requests for reinstatement are considered on an individual basis.

**Withdrawal from Nursing Major:**

A student withdrawing from the nursing program for any reason is expected to have a conference with the assigned academic advisor and complete the appropriate paperwork. Students who withdraw from the nursing major may not be allowed to return unless space is available.

For withdrawal from the University, the student should follow the procedure outlined in the [Withdrawing Guidelines](#) on the [Student Support Services](#) website.