RN BSN Program Admission Requirements:

1. Be a graduate of an associate degree nursing program or a diploma program.
   - Applicants with a diploma degree should contact msu.rnbsn@murraystate.edu for additional instructions.
   - Applicants with a bachelor’s degree in another major should make note of that degree on the RN BSN application.

2. Maintain current unrestricted state licensure to practice as a registered nurse.

3. Be admitted to Murray State University (All official transcripts must be received at MSU).

4. Completion of all RN BSN admission procedures (please see RN BSN application).

5. Maintain a grade of “C” or above in all required courses including transfer credit. No course below a “C” may be transferred to Murray State University from another college and be counted for credit toward the BSN degree.

6. Maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 in all general education, support and nursing courses.

7. Demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the School of Nursing Health Policy. (Proof of immunizations -MMR, tetanus (within last 10 years), Varicella titer, Hep B or waiver, and TB screening).

8. Submit proof of current CPR certification by the American Heart Association in Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers or the Red Cross Professional Rescuer II (must be kept current while in program).

9. Submit proof of liability insurance (from vendor of choice) in the amount of $1,000,000/$3,000,000.

10. Demonstrate, by way of transcript receipt at MSU, successful completion of the following prerequisite MSU courses or equivalent course:
    ENG 101, ENG 102, COM 161, PSY 180, CHEM 105 with a lab, MAT 140, BIO 228 and BIO 229.

Applications to the RN BSN program are processed and approved through the Nursing Admission Committee in the School of Nursing. After School of Nursing recommendation of acceptance to the program, applicants will receive a notification letter of acceptance from the Dean of the School of Nursing. In addition, instructions for advising and registration in courses will be forwarded to all admitted RN BSN students. (Please note admission application deadlines of November 15 for Spring Semester Admissions and May 1 for Fall Semester Admissions).

After admission to the nursing program, the RN student must complete the RN BSN courses within 10 semesters (5 years), not including summer terms.

Students requesting credit for courses through course substitution must submit course syllabus or course descriptions from the transferring institution.

It is the responsibility of the applicant, not the School of Nursing, to see that all required credentials are submitted to the RN BSN Coordinator. Applications will not be considered complete until records are received in the School of Nursing. Students will not be allowed to progress/continue if program requirements are incomplete.

Students are responsible for ensuring updates and recertifications are secured in their student file.
MSU does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or sexual orientation, with regard to its programs. All applicants for admission to the RN BSN program are considered on the basis of cumulative grade point average (GPA), graduation from an Associate Degree Program in Nursing, success on NCLEX-RN Examination, and maintaining an unencumbered nursing license.

The Murray State University BSN Program is accredited by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. Information about these programs may be obtained from the CCNE at: CCNE, NW, Suite 530, Washington, D.C. 20036 or at 1-202-887-6791

** Please note the 2009-2011 Murray State University Undergraduate Bulletin does not include the most recent updates to the RN BSN Curriculum. Please contact the RN BSN website for the most current updates.

**HELPFUL MSU NAVIGATION LINKS FOR ADMISSION AND PROGRESSION**

**Admission**
http://www.murraystate.edu/Admissions.aspx
This also has the link to the CAS system, which tells them of course equivalencies.

**Registrar’s forms**
http://www.murraystate.edu/registrar.aspx

**Payment Plan**
http://campus.murraystate.edu/administ/accounting/bursar/frmMSUPPapp.pdf

**Financial Aid**
http://www.murraystate.edu/Students/Undergraduate/PayingForCollege/fas/FinancialAid.aspx

**Tuition and Fees**
http://campus.murraystate.edu/administ/accounting/bursar/burscosts.htm

**Nursing Admission**
http://www.murraystate.edu/Academics/CollegesDepartments/nursing/RNtoBSN/RNtoBSNRequirements.aspx

**Transcript request (Community College)**
http://www.kctcs.edu/admissions/transcript.html

**MSU Transcript request**
http://www.murraystate.edu/Academics/RegistrarsOffice/Transcripts.aspx

**Scholarship booklet**
http://www.murraystate.edu/scholarships.aspx

**Graduation Packet request**
http://www.murraystate.edu/registrar/content/gradreqs.htm#undergrad

**Academic Outreach / Continuing Education**
http://www.murraystate.edu/Academics/ContinuingEducationPointer.aspx

**Murray State Bulletins (Catalogs)**
http://www.murraystate.edu/registrar/content/bulletin.htm

**RacerNet**
http://campus.murraystate.edu/
This is the link to their PIN, Webmail, and Blackboard.