# NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

# Important Admission Information

RPN to BScN – Bridging Program, Fulltime On-campus – Fall 2026

# **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

# This program is offered full-time on campus only.

To be considered for admission applicants must successfully complete a two-year Practical Nurse (PN) diploma with a minimum overall GPA of 70% from an Ontario College.

If you are looking at raising your PN program GPA, you must repeat courses from your PN program. Repeated courses would need to be the same course code, same course title, and same credit value. Only the highest mark will be considered in the calculation. If the course code, title, or credit value has changed but it is still the same course, you will need to have the College send a letter directly to Nipissing indicating that the course you repeated is the same course that you previously took as part of your diploma program. If you choose to repeat an elective course, the same requirement applies. New courses will not be considered in the new calculation. Please note that Nipissing recalculates all transcripts using the college's grading scheme.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that you meet all the necessary requirements.

# 'MYNIPISSING' ACCOUNT

Included in this package is information about accessing 'MyNipissing'. Applicants can track the status of their application on WebAdvisor, see if transcripts and other required documents have been received and update their address and other personal information.



It is important to continue checking 'MyNipissing' regularly as documents are updated throughout the application process. Nipissing student email accounts will be activated shortly before registration opens.

Applicants who are eligible for transfer credit will be able to view their transfer credit on their WebAdvisor account under "Summary of Transfer Credits".

# REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

To receive equal consideration, official transcript(s) showing courses completed and in progress (if applicable) must be received by the equal consideration document deadline. Qualified applicants who do not apply by the equal consideration deadline will be considered for admission no later than the end of May 2026 provided room remains in the program.

Applicants must declare and submit official transcripts for **EVERY** postsecondary institution attended whether it is relevant to your PN education or not, including Canadian and non-Canadian Institutions

If you are still in progress in your Practical Nurse program, please do not send your transcript until your semester three (Fall term) grades appear on your transcript. If you order your transcript through the request process that is part of your application, please ensure you pick the appropriate timing selection to meet the document deadline.



#### **DOCUMENT SUBMISSION**

Transcripts and supporting documents can be submitted in the following ways:

- 1. **Email:** <a href="mailto:admissions@nipissingu.ca">admissions@nipissingu.ca</a> Emailed transcripts will only be accepted when we can verify that they come directly from the issuing institution.
- 2. Third-Party Companies (e.g., MyCreds, Parchment): Please contact your institution directly for assistance with these platforms.
- 3. Mailing Address:

Nipissing University Office of the Registrar - Admissions 100 College Drive, Box 5002 North Bay ON P1B 8L7

#### **TRANSCRIPTS**

Official transcripts must be submitted directly to Nipissing by the issuing institution. Transcripts submitted by the applicant will be considered unofficial. It is your responsibility to ensure that all completed and in progress courses (if applicable) and degree/diploma status show on the transcript your institution sends. If your name is different on the official transcript versus your application you must submit name change documentation, such as a Marriage Certificate, Divorce Decree or Change of Name Certificate.

## **OUAC Transcript Submission**

Official transcripts from Ontario universities and colleges should be ordered through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) as part of the application process. You must contact your university directly for all transcripts from outside Ontario.

# **Nipissing Transcripts**

Current Nipissing students and Nipissing graduates do not need to order or send Nipissing transcripts.

However, if you attended Nipissing prior to 1992, you are considered a Laurentian University student and must request that transcript.

# **International Transcripts**

If you have attended a college and/or university outside of Canada or the U.S., you **MUST** have all your foreign transcripts evaluated by World Education Service (WES): <a href="www.wes.org/ca">www.wes.org/ca</a>. A WES Credential Evaluation Report, including a Course-By-Course Analysis, must be sent directly to Nipissing University by the required document deadline. No exceptions.

# **All Other Transcripts**

You will need to contact the institution(s) directly to request your transcript(s) and have them sent to Nipissing University by one of the methods listed in the *Document Submission* section.

#### **DEADLINES**

**Equal Consideration Deadline\*:** February 16, 2026 **Equal Consideration Document Deadline\*:** February 27,2026 at 4:30 pm EDT

\*This highly competitive program, typically, has more qualified applicants than space available. These are the application and document deadlines to receive equal consideration for admission with all other applicants. Applications and documents may continue to be accepted after this date. Qualified applicants

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#### **TIMING OF OFFERS**

# **Equal Consideration Applicants:**

Decisions will be released by the end of March 2026

#### All Other Applicants:

Qualified applicants who did not apply by or submit documents by the equal consideration



deadlines will be considered for admission provided room remains in the program. If the program is full, qualified applicants will be offered a position on the waiting list.

Applications will only be considered once ALL required documentation has been received.

# APPLICANTS WITH A UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND

Applicants who have attended another university may be eligible for transfer credit for university courses completed elsewhere. Transfer credit is normally awarded for university courses completed with a "C" grade or higher. Courses with "D" grades are only eligible for transfer if they are offset by an equal number of "B" or higher grades. Transfer credits are not normally granted for education courses or courses of a practical nature.

University graduates may qualify for admission to a second-degree program in another area of study based on the results of their first-degree program. If deemed admissible, a second-degree program plan will be designed by the Academic Advising office and emailed to you.

Further information can be found on our Transfer Student website at <a href="https://www.nipissingu.ca/transfercredits">www.nipissingu.ca/transfercredits</a>

Students who were previously registered in a degree level program at another recognized university should in good standing at that institution.

Applicants who have been asked to withdraw from another university must sit out for one full year before they can be considered for admission.

Applicants who have been previously asked to withdraw or were unsuccessful in a previous BScN program may be required to submit a petition to the Academic Appeals and Petitions Committee. We will contact you if this applies to your situation.

Applicants who have failed two or more clinical courses within a previous BScN program are not eligible for admission consideration.

## APPLICANTS WITH ADDITIONAL COLLEGE DIPLOMAS

Applicants who have obtained additional college diplomas and/or certificates from a recognized public college may be eligible for the granting of additional transfer credits.

# TRANSFER CREDIT

Students admitted to this program receive 30 credits of transfer credits for their successful PN diploma. Students with additional education beyond the two-year PN diploma or have previously completed a university degree may receive additional credit.

Applicants who accept our offer of admission will have their transfer credit assessment processed within 2 - 4 weeks after receiving their final transcript (if courses are In progress). Applicants are responsible for ordering their final official transcript showing all in-progress courses completed and graded and/or diploma or degree awarded. Please do not submit final transcripts until after graduation (if applicable).

Applicants who will be able to view their transfer credit on their WebAdvisor account under "Summary of Transfer Credits".

Further information can be found on our Transfer Student website at <a href="https://www.nipissingu.ca/transfercredits">www.nipissingu.ca/transfercredits</a>.

# **ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

Applicants whose first language is not English may be required to supply proof of proficiency in English. Among other options, acceptable proof of English proficiency includes the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Test Service (IELTS), the Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic, the Canadian Academic English Language (CAEL/CAEL Online) or the Cambridge English Qualifications. Refer to our Academic Calendar or <a href="https://www.nipissingu.ca/englishproficiency">www.nipissingu.ca/englishproficiency</a> for our complete English Language Proficiency Policy.



# ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDY IN BSCN PROGRAMS

All applicants are asked to review the **Essential Requirements for Study in Baccalaureate Nursing Programs in Ontario** at

<u>www.ouac.on.ca/guide/nursing-essential/</u>. This document discusses the essential requirements for successful completion of a Nursing program.

#### REGISTRATION AND ACADEMIC ADVISING

Registration information will be emailed in June to all applicants who accept an offer of admission to Nipissing University. Students register for courses online, through 'MyNipissing'.

After receiving and accepting an Offer of Admission, students with additional university transfer credits (more than 30 credits) will be contacted by the Academic Advising team with course registration advice specific to their individual situation.

# STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

Nipissing actively promotes an accessible and barrier-free learning environment. If you require student accessibility services, identify yourself as early as possible so that accommodations and support systems can be arranged prior to the beginning of classes. For more information about the services available and the required documentation, visit the student accessibility website at www.nipissingu.ca/sas.

## **RESIDENCE**

Information about our on-line residence application will be included with your Offer of Admission. This will include how to access the online application, deadline dates and deposit information. Visit www.nipissingu.ca/residence.

#### **CAMPUS TOURS**

We would love to have you come visit us! Campus tours are available weekly from Monday to Friday at 1:00pm ET except for holidays. Our friendly and knowledgeable Student Ambassadors will guide you on a tour of the Nipissing University campus.

Stops along the tour include the Main Education Centre building, Harris Learning Library, Robert J. Surtees Athletic Centre, NUSU Student Centre, and Residence.

To register for your tour, please visit <a href="https://www.nipissingu.ca/campustour">www.nipissingu.ca/campustour</a>.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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