How is the program designed?
The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree consists of 52 credits of general education courses and 68 credits of nursing courses. The nursing courses consist of lecture, lab, and clinical classes taught at Richmond-area Bon Secours hospitals and other carefully selected settings.

How long will it take to complete the program once I begin courses?
The program takes 2.5 years (5 semesters) to complete. See sample plan of study.

When are the deadlines for applications?
The deadlines to apply for admission are listed on the Admissions page of our website: www.bsmcon.edu.

What are the grade point average (GPA) requirements?
A minimum college cumulative grade point average of 2.5 is required. The college GPA will be calculated from all college coursework taken, not only those that pertain to our program.

How do I get started?
It’s ideal to first attend an Information Session. These are held throughout the year and dates are listed on our website. Before applying, review the admission requirements, application instructions, and frequently asked questions. When you’re ready, you may apply online at www.bsmcon.edu.

What is the profile of your typical student?
Our typical student has a cumulative college GPA of 3.2 upon admission. They are full-time students taking daytime classes and working part-time or less.

What are the required standardized tests for pre-admission?
Completion of the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), SAT or ACT are required. However, no tests are required if the applicant has already received a bachelor’s degree or plans to complete a degree prior to the admission start date. Visit our website for additional information.

If I have a bachelor’s degree, do you still need my high school transcript?
Yes, all applicants for the traditional BSN program are required to provide their high school transcript, even if you’ve earned a master’s degree.

Do you accept transfer credit from other colleges?
Yes, in many cases we do. Students must have earned a grade of “C” or higher from an accredited institution, and the course must be part of our curriculum with a similar course description and matching number of semester credit hours. The Registrar reviews transcripts after the applicant has been accepted and makes the final decision regarding awarding transfer credit. View our Transfer Credit Guide at bsmcon.edu under the Admissions tab.

When will I know if I’ve been accepted?
The Admissions Committee will notify applicants of their decision within 8 weeks following the admission deadline.