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NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF ALLIED HEALTH AND NURSING

BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE
ONLINE PROGRAM

ENTERING CLASS 2012
Nova Southeastern University, synonymous with dynamic innovation and intellectual challenge, is the largest independent not-for-profit university in the Southeast, and with an enrollment of more than 29,000 students, is the seventh largest in the United States. Situated on a beautiful, 300-acre campus in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the university is experiencing a sustained period of academic growth, fiscal strength, and commitment to the challenges of the 21st century.

In this environment of expansion and stability, the university is capitalizing on its strengths in such areas as academic innovation, comprehensive clinical training, and flexible educational delivery systems.
Founded in 1964 as Nova University, the institution merged with Southeastern University of the Health Sciences in 1994, creating Nova Southeastern University. To date, the institution has more than 135,000 alumni. Fully accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the university awards associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees in a wide range of fields including the health professions, law, business, marine sciences, psychology, social sciences, computer and information sciences, and education.

The university's programs are administered through 15 academic centers that offer courses at the main campus and at field-based locations throughout Florida; across the nation; and at selected international sites in Europe, Mexico, the Pacific Rim, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

With a budget of more than $563 million per year and an upward trend in enrollment, the university will continue to maintain a solid record of academic and fiscal strength and excellence in teaching and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship.
As a student in the Health Professions Division of Nova Southeastern University, you can anticipate a remarkable experience. You will train, study, interact, and share faculty and resources (either campus-based or online) with students from various backgrounds and disciplines. This interdisciplinary approach distinguishes the Health Professions Division as unique and will better prepare you to master your discipline with a sensitivity and understanding of the entire health care system.

The Health Professions Division, with a student body of more than 2,500, is home to six colleges. The College of Osteopathic Medicine, the first one in the southeastern United States, grants the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) degree. The College of Osteopathic Medicine also awards the Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) and the Master of Science in Biomedical Informatics (M.S.B.I.) degrees. The College of Pharmacy offers the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree to entry-level and international students, as well as a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Pharmacy. The College of Optometry is the only institution in the state of Florida that awards the Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) degree as well as a Master of Science in Clinical Vision Research (M.S.). The College of Allied Health and Nursing offers an entry-level Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) degree, as well as an R.N. to B.S.N. program, a Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) degree, a post-M.S.N. certificate, and a Ph.D. in nursing education. The college also offers physician assistant programs that award the Master of Medical Science (M.M.S.) degree in Physician Assistant, as well as programs offering a Master of Occupational Therapy (M.O.T.) degree and an entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.) degree. Doctoral programs are offered in occupational therapy (Ph.D./O.T., Dr.OT), physical therapy (Ph.D./P.T., D.P.T.), and audiology (Au.D.). In addition to these programs, the College of Allied Health and Nursing offers the Bachelor of Health Science (B.H.Sc.), Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.), and Doctor of Health Science (D.H.Sc.) degrees—open to midlevel clinicians and allied health professionals—and a Ph.D. degree in Health Science. There are also specializations in Bachelor of Health Science—Vascular Sonography, Master of Health Science—Vascular Sonography, and Master of Health Science—Anesthesiologist Assistant, as well as specializations in Cardiovascular Sonography for both the Bachelor of Health Science and the Master of Health Science. The College of Medical Sciences grants the Master of Biomedical Sciences (M.B.S.) degree. In the fall of 1997, the College of Dental Medicine admitted its charter class into the Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.) program. Now, the college also offers a Master of Science in Dentistry (M.Sc.D.) degree, as well as postgraduate programs in endodontics, oral surgery, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, and prosthodontics.

The Health Professions Division occupies a $70 million complex, covering 21 acres of the university campus. The division includes eight buildings totaling more than 900,000 square feet of space for classrooms, laboratories, offices, the Health Professions Division Library, an outpatient health center, and a pharmaceutical care center. The adjacent 1,500-vehicle parking garage overlooks the Miami Dolphins Training Camp.
If you wish to be a leader in the health professions, Nova Southeastern University can help you reach your potential.

In less than two decades, NSU’s Health Professions Division has developed into a multidisciplinary academic health center of international stature. Composed of the Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Dental Medicine, Optometry, Allied Health and Nursing, and Medical Sciences, the Health Professions Division has redoubled its commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and community service, while expanding its mission in research and scholarship. Working together, our distinguished faculty members prepare students for an exciting career on tomorrow’s dynamic health care team.

Fred Lippman, R.Ph., Ed.D.
Health Professions Division Chancellor
The Bachelor of Health Science (B.H.Sc.) program offers an online postprofessional degree advancement program for graduates from associate degree, diploma, or certificate programs in health care. This includes military-trained health care technicians, radiology technicians, dental hygienists, ultrasound technicians, respiratory therapists, etc. The online B.H.Sc. course of study is interdisciplinary and is designed to provide career and academic advancement for health care practitioners by delivering a well-rounded generalist curriculum. This program is designed to be completed entirely online, requiring no on-campus time, thus allowing the opportunity for members of numerous health care occupations to complete their undergraduate degree while they continue to work.

There have been dramatic changes in the health care market and delivery systems in the United States over the past decade. As health care becomes increasingly competitive, it becomes more important for students to stand out both professionally and academically. The online Bachelor of Health Science Program is offered via NSU College of Allied Health and Nursing's Web-based distance learning technology. It is designed so that students can complete their coursework online, from their own home or office, without compromising career or other obligations.

Upon successful completion of the B.H.Sc. Program, students are eligible to apply for admission to continue their education in health sciences in the online Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.), and later, in the Doctor of Health Science (D.H.Sc.) or Ph.D. in Health Science degree programs. These are online degree programs. The M.H.Sc. program has no residency requirement, while the doctoral program has a requirement for students to complete two one-week summer institutes.

MISSION STATEMENT
NSU College of Allied Health and Nursing

In the spirit of improving and maintaining optimum health conditions in the community, the College of Allied Health and Nursing prepares professionals with the skills necessary for the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of diseases; for the support of the populace in maintaining proper health and safety; for the management of rehabilitative processes; and for the education of the community in understanding the interdependency of health, environment, social and political factors. The College of Allied Health and Nursing endeavors to train both graduate and undergraduate professionals in the arts of improving the quality of life in the community.
The health care marketplace is undergoing a rapid change. The pace of this change has provided a formidable challenge for institutions that provide the educational programs for future health care professionals.

Nova Southeastern University's College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing the highest quality of education to students in a variety of health care disciplines, including occupational therapy, physical therapy, and physician assistant studies, as well as audiology and the nursing programs (entry-level B.S.N., R.N. to B.S.N., M.S.N., post-M.S.N. certificate, and Ph.D.). The Physician Assistant Department offers a program that can be completed in 27 months. Upon successful completion of the program, students graduate with a Master of Medical Science (M.M.S.) degree in Physician Assistant. In addition, the college is committed to a lifelong learning philosophy through the Ph.D. in Physical Therapy and the Dr. OT and Ph.D. in Occupational Therapy. We also have the Bachelor of Health Science (B.H.Sc.), Master of Health Science (M.H.Sc.), Doctor of Health Science (D.H.Sc.), Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Health Science, and transition Doctor of Physical Therapy (T-D.P.T.) programs. In these programs, the college has Bachelor and Master of Health Science specializations in Vascular Sonography, Bachelor and Master of Health Science specializations in Cardiovascular Sonography, and a Master of Health Science specialization in Anesthesiologist Assistant. These degrees for practicing health care professionals are delivered mainly through the use of innovative distance technology.

The College of Allied Health and Nursing is committed to providing health care educational opportunities in formats that meet the needs of prospective students in the community and adequately prepare graduates to assume greater leadership roles in health care delivery systems.

Richard E. Davis, PA-C, Ed.D.
Dean, College of Allied Health and Nursing
The B.H.Sc. curriculum is designed to build upon the existing knowledge base of the health care professional while focusing on the overall health care picture. Leadership, diversity, and management are but a few of the areas covered in the curriculum.

The B.H.Sc. Program is designed for completion in a distance-learning format and requires no on-campus time. The coursework is professor-paced, using Web-based delivery. The curriculum and coursework follow a 12-week semester calendar.

In order to be eligible to graduate with the B.H.Sc. degree, a student must have completed a minimum total of 120 semester hours with a 2.0 cumulative grade point average and a 2.25 grade point average in the B.H.Sc. major. These semester hours include a minimum of 30 semester hours of coursework (including 21 semester hours of core coursework) that must be completed through the NSU B.H.Sc. program and 30 semester hours of general education coursework.

### CURRICULUM OUTLINE

#### Required General Education Courses

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#### Required Core B.H.Sc. Courses

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<td>Introduction to Epidemiology</td>
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<td>BHS 3150</td>
<td>Principles of Leadership</td>
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<td>BHS 3155</td>
<td>Conflict Resolution in Health Care</td>
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<td>BHS 3160</td>
<td>Health Policy</td>
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<td>BHS 4000</td>
<td>Cultural Competency in Health Care</td>
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<td>BHS 4100</td>
<td>Academic and Professional Writing</td>
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<td>Current Issues in Health Care</td>
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<td>History of the U.S. Health System</td>
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<td>BHS 3130</td>
<td>Research and Design for Health Care</td>
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<td>BHS 3140</td>
<td>Health Care Practice</td>
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<td>BHS 3145</td>
<td>Principles of Environmental Health</td>
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<td>Health Services Management</td>
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<td>Fundamentals of Chinese Medicine</td>
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<td>Sports Medicine: Principles and Practice</td>
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<td>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention</td>
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<td>Linguistics and Psycholinguistic Variables of Normal Language Development**</td>
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<td>Speech and Language Disorders for Health Care Practitioners**</td>
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<td>Effect of Hearing Impairment on Speech and Language**</td>
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<td>BHS 4160</td>
<td>Education for Health Professions</td>
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<td>BHS 5001</td>
<td>APA Writing Seminar</td>
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**Subtotal B.H.Sc. Elective Courses**

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### Open/Transfer Electives

(Consist of Transfer Credits or Additional B.H.Sc. Elective Coursework)

**Subtotal Open/Transfer Elective Courses**

**MINIMUM TOTAL DEGREE SEMESTER HOURS REQUIRED**

- **Student must receive departmental and adviser approval in order to be allowed to register for this course.**
- **These courses are designed for preaudiology students, audiology assistants, or graduates of audiology programs who need courses to meet licensure requirements.**

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*semester hours accepted for transfer (minimum 9)*
Prospective B.H.Sc. students are selected by the Committee on Admissions through consideration of the overall qualities of the applicant. The program will admit mid-level clinicians and allied health professionals with diverse education, work, and life experiences who have demonstrated the capacity to pursue the course of study and increasingly more responsible positions in health care. Areas of consideration include application content, academic record, prior health care experience, letters of evaluation, and personal motivation. In special circumstances, a personal interview with members of the committee may be required (phone interview may be substituted). All interview expenses are the responsibility of the applicant.

All applicants for admission must have

1. prior to matriculation, completed 3 semester hours (or equivalent) of college-level written composition from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum grade of a C (GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 grading scale)

2. an associate's degree in a professional field of health from a regionally accredited college or university

OR

a post-high school-level diploma or certificate of completion in a professional field of health care with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 (effective July 2011) on a 4.0 grading scale

In order to receive consideration for nonregionally accredited education, an applicant may need to submit a student-prepared learning portfolio requesting assessment of prior experiences for academic credit. The portfolio will describe all traditional, online, military, and other health care education as well as work-related experience and health care-related conferences attended. A resume or CV, transcripts, and/or official documentation of attendance must accompany all prior learning portfolios. Learning portfolios will be reviewed to determine the amount of credit given, if any, for prior learning only after an applicant has been accepted into the program.

3. documented evidence demonstrating education or experience in the health care field within the past five years

All applicants must demonstrate evidence of computer skills through coursework or self-study shown prior to the end of the first term. Students may obtain instruction through the NSU Student Microcomputer Laboratory or other training facilities.
It should be noted that many criteria, in addition to academic credentials, play a role in the admission process for the B.H.Sc. Program. While the program allows the student to demonstrate academic capability, it does not assure admission to any professional school. Admission to the B.H.Sc. will not guarantee admission to any other program of Nova Southeastern University.

Upon receipt of the completed application, fees, credentials, and transcripts, the admissions officers and the College of Allied Health and Nursing will review all material for evidence of the proper education, training, and background to enter the B.H.Sc.

The university reserves the right to modify any requirements on an individual basis as deemed necessary by the dean of the College of Allied Health and Nursing.
APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Applicants for admission must submit or be responsible for submission of

1. a completed application form along with a $50, nonrefundable application fee

2. two letters of evaluation from individuals (other than relatives) such as academic advisers, professors, clinical or nonclinical supervisors, or community associates

3. official college-, certificate-, and/or diploma-based transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate institutions attended, sent directly to the Enrollment Processing Services (EPS) from the institution (An official high school transcript—with courses, grades, and graduation date—or GED equivalent is required for any applicant with fewer than 24 college credits.)

4. a student-prepared learning portfolio requesting assessment of prior experiences for academic credit (only for graduates from programs other than those from regionally accredited colleges or universities)

5. copies of national and/or state professional certification, licensure, or registration, if applicable

6. evaluation of coursework taken at a foreign institution for U.S. institutional equivalence (if applicable)

Foreign coursework must be evaluated by one of the following services:

World Education Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 745
Old Chelsea Station
New York, New York 10113-0745
Phone: (212) 966-6311
www.wes.org

Josef Silny & Associates
7101 SW 102nd Avenue
Miami, Florida 33173
Phone: (305) 273-1616
Fax: (305) 273-1338
www.jsilny.com

Educational Credential Evaluators
P.O. Box 514070
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203-3470
Phone: (414) 289-3400
www.ece.org

All admissions information should be sent to

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
Enrollment Processing Services (EPS)
College of Allied Health and Nursing
B.H.Sc. Program Admissions
3301 College Avenue
P.O. Box 299000
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33329-9905
Phone: (954) 262-1101 • 877-640-0218
Fax: (954) 262-2282

The B.H.Sc. Office of Admissions works on a rolling admissions basis. Applications are accepted year round. The program offers four start dates per year: January, April, July, and October. In order to be considered for January, applications must be received by December 1. In order to be considered for April, applications must be received by March 1. In order to be considered for July, applications must be received by June 1. In order to be considered for October,
applications must be received by September 1. To ensure that your application receives prompt consideration, you should apply early.

Students wishing to apply online for admission to the B.H.Sc. program can do so by creating their own VIP account on the admissions Web page, found at www.nova.edu/admissions.

1. Select either Transfer or Off Campus/Online link
2. Follow directions to complete the interest page (VIP)
3. In Program of Study Field select Health Science (Completion Program)
4. Create your Username and Password to access your VIP/Application page
5. Submit information
6. **IMPORTANT:** Log in to VIP to continue the application process
7. Complete and submit application

The university reserves the right to modify any requirements on an individual basis as deemed necessary by the dean of the College of Allied Health and Nursing. The college reserves the right, and the student (by his or her act of matriculation) concedes to the college the right, to require his or her withdrawal any time the college deems it necessary to safeguard its standards of scholarship, conduct, and compliance with regulations or for such other reasons as are deemed appropriate.

The dean and B.H.Sc. program director reserve the right to require the student's withdrawal at any time for the above-mentioned reasons.

Students are provisionally admitted to a degree-seeking program based on a review of unofficial transcripts or other specific program admission requirements. However, this admission includes a condition that final and official transcripts, documents, and requirements must be received within 90 calendar days from matriculation. If these final and official transcripts, documents, and/or requirements are not received by that time, the student will not be allowed to continue class attendance. Financial aid will not be disbursed to a provisional/conditional student until he or she has been fully admitted as a regular student (all admissions requirements have been approved by the college/program admissions office). Students who have an unpaid balance 30 days from the start of the term will be assessed a $100 fee.
Nova Southeastern University has established four different mechanisms for students to convert their prior experiences into academic credit. Students must initiate all requests for experiential learning credit before they complete 24 credits at NSU. Credits will be transcripted after 12 credits are successfully earned at NSU. For additional information, contact the B.H.Sc. program or the Office of Transfer Evaluation Services by calling (954) 262-8414 or 800-356-0026, ext. 28414, or via email at miletsky@nsu.nova.edu.

1. **CLEP/DANTES/ACT-PEP/Computer Test-Out**
   Students can demonstrate their knowledge in a variety of areas by taking objective tests. The coordinator of experiential learning can provide further information about these tests, as can the testing office in academic services.

2. **Nationally Accredited School Portfolios**
   Students who have attended nationally accredited institutions have the opportunity to write school portfolios. The coordinator of experiential learning works with each student in reviewing the student’s nationally accredited institutional transcript to identify courses that may be applied toward his or her academic goal.

3. **Full Portfolio–Course Challenge**
   The full portfolio is the process for challenging a college-level course for credit. Through this mechanism, a student presents his or her knowledge on a topic and has it evaluated by a faculty member. A maximum of 25 percent of a student’s credits may be earned through the full portfolio process.

4. **Standard Grant**
   Certain training courses, military experiences, or licenses may be converted into college credit. This can be done by supplying some very basic documentation. For military training programs, the recommendations contained in the Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Forces from the American Council on Education will be used to evaluate such training for credit transfer. Examples include combat casualty and flight medicine courses of training.
Students who have earned college credits at other regionally accredited colleges or universities can transfer these credits into the B.H.Sc. Program. Students should contact a B.H.Sc. admissions counselor to discuss how prior college credits can be used to obtain the B.H.Sc. degree.

An evaluation of transfer credit will be completed during the first semester of enrollment, and applicable credit will be transferred based on all final official transcripts received. Students are required to contact the program director for academic advising prior to beginning the program or during their first term. The program director and the department coordinator will advise and assist the student during his or her matriculation into the program.

Students must take BHS 4100 during their first term of enrollment. The recommended course load for the working professional is two classes per term.

Transfer students must provide final official transcripts from all their previous colleges. Their previous academic work will then be evaluated. The B.H.Sc. Program will transfer a maximum of 90 eligible semester hour credits, including credit for CLEP, proficiency exams, and prior experiential learning, toward a degree. An official high school transcript—with courses, grades, and graduation date—or GED equivalent is required for any applicant with fewer than 24 college credits.

In order to be eligible to graduate with the B.H.Sc. degree, a student must have completed 30 semester hours of general education coursework in addition to the B.H.Sc. curriculum, with a resulting minimum total of 120 semester hours. If all general education requirements are not met at the time of admission to the program, they can be obtained concurrently while enrolled in the B.H.Sc. Program. A student can obtain and transfer these courses through NSU’s Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences or another regionally accredited college or university.

Prior to matriculation, all applicants must have completed a minimum of 3 semesters hours (or the equivalent) of college-level written composition from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum grade of a C (GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 grading scale).

Students must complete a minimum of 25 percent (30 semester hours) of their coursework within the B.H.Sc. program major.

Students with credits, health care or academic experiences, certificates, diplomas, or degrees from nationally accredited colleges; military training; or other educational training/experiences should refer to the section that follows titled Assessment of Prior Experiences for Academic Credit in order to apply to convert these prior experiences into academic credit.
A nondegree-seeking student wishes to take courses in the Bachelor of Health Science Program, but does not intend to pursue the B.H.Sc. degree at the time of application. The nondegree-seeking student must meet the following admission requirements in order to take classes in the B.H.Sc. Program:

1. prior to matriculation, completed 3 semester hours (or the equivalent) of college-level written composition from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum grade of a C (GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 grading scale)
2. an associate’s degree in a professional field of health from a regionally accredited college or university

OR

a post-high school-level diploma or certificate of completion in a professional field of health care with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 (effective July 2011) on a 4.0 grading scale

In order to receive consideration for nonregionally accredited education, an applicant may need to submit a student-prepared learning portfolio requesting assessment of prior experiences for academic credit. The portfolio will describe all traditional, online, military, and other health care education as well as work-related experience and health care-related conferences attended. A resume or CV, transcripts, and/or official documentation of attendance must accompany all prior learning portfolios. Learning portfolios will be reviewed to determine the amount of credit given, if any, for prior learning only after an applicant has been accepted into the program.

Due to the limited number of seats available in the program, preference for admission and registration priority will be given to degree-seeking students.

Nondegree-seeking students can take a maximum of nine semester hours of B.H.Sc. coursework. Enrollment in these courses does not guarantee acceptance into the B.H.Sc. degree program, or any other NSU program.

If, after taking classes in the B.H.Sc. Program, a nondegree-seeking student decides to pursue the B.H.Sc. degree, the student must resubmit an application to the program as a degree-seeking student.

The applicant must then meet all the admission requirements for the B.H.Sc. degree program.

A nondegree-seeking student who, after taking classes in the B.H.Sc. Program, decides to apply to be a degree-seeking student may request a transfer of credits taken as a nondegree-seeking student, in accordance with the transfer policy of the B.H.Sc. Program.

Students wishing to apply online for admission to the B.H.Sc. program can do so by creating their own VIP account on the Admissions Web page, found at www.nova.edu/admissions.

1. Select either Transfer or Off Campus/Online link
2. Follow directions to complete the interest page (VIP)
3. In Program of Study Field select Health Science (Completion Program)
4. Create your Username and Password to access your VIP/Application page
5. Submit information
6. IMPORTANT: Log in to VIP to continue the application process
7. Complete and submit application
All students are required to have a computer with the following minimum specifications:

- Pentium or AMD at 1.00 GHZ or equivalent Macintosh processor
- 256 MB RAM
- Video and monitor capable of 1024 X 768 resolution or higher
- CD-ROM drive
- Full duplex sound card and speakers
- Internet connection with Internet service provider (DSL, cable, or satellite highly recommended)
- Windows XP or NT or MAC OS
- Microsoft Office 2000 or newer with PowerPoint, Word, and Excel minimum
- Printer capability

**COMPUTER SKILLS**

All applicants must show evidence of computer skills through coursework or self-study prior to the end of the first term. Students may obtain instruction through the NSU Student Microcomputer Laboratory or other training facilities.

**DISTANCE EDUCATION SUPPORT**

Distance education students in the B.H.Sc. Program are provided with NSU computer accounts including email. Students, however, must obtain their own Internet service providers (ISP) and use their own computer systems (IBM-compatible PC or Apple Macintosh, and a modem). New students are provided with an orientation and have access to extensive online technical support dealing with online access, online tools and methods, and library resources.

Online interactive learning methods involve Web pages to access course materials, announcements, the electronic library, and other information, plus a range of online activities that facilitate frequent student-professor interaction. Faculty members and students interact via online forums using threaded bulletin boards, chatrooms, and email. Students are able to submit assignments as email attachments, through the use of online forms sent directly to program instructors, fax-to-fax, fax-to-email, and through WebCT. Some online courses may include electronic classroom sessions.
- AgeLine
- Alt-HealthWatch
- Anatomy.tv
- BestBETs
- Blackwell-Synergy
- Books@Ovid
- CINAHL
- Clinical Evidence
- Clinical Pharmacology
- Cochrane Databases
- Current Protocols
- DARE
- Doctor's Dilemma
- DynaMed
- EBSCOhost
- EMBASE.com
- EXAM Master (USMLE)
- FIRSTConsult
- HAPI
- Harrison's Online
- Hooked on Evidence
- IPA
- ISI Web of Knowledge

- Journal Citation Report
- Lexi-Comp Pharmacy
- MANTIS
- MDConsult
- MEDLINE (EBSCOhost)
- MEDLINE (OVID)
- MEDLINE (PubMed)
- Micromedex Academic—HPD
- Natural Medicines
- Natural Standard
- OSTMEDDR
- OTDBase
- OT Search
- OTseeker
- PEDro
- ScienceDirect
- SPORTDiscus
- STAT!Ref
- TRIP Database
- UpToDate
- Visionet
- Wiley InterScience
ONLINE:

- Web site: www.nova.edu/bhs

- Apply online at www.nova.edu/admissions.
  1. Select either Transfer or Off Campus/Online link
  2. Follow directions to complete the interest page (VIP)
  3. In Program of Study Field select Health Science (Completion Program)
  4. Create your Username and Password to access your VIP/Application page
  5. Submit information
  6. IMPORTANT: Log in to VIP to continue the application process
  7. Complete and submit application

- Application and Evaluation Form download: www.nova.edu/undergradapply/

PHONE:

- B.H.Sc. admissions office:
  (954) 262-1101 or 877-640-0218

- B.H.Sc. program office:
  (954) 262-1239 or 800-356-0026, ext. 21239
  (954) 288-9695

ELECTRONIC LIBRARY

Online students have online access to books, journal articles, microfiche, dissertations, index searches, catalog searches, and reference librarians. The online medical database collection at NSU is extensive and includes access to quality subscription services free of charge to the student.

As a Nova Southeastern University student, you will have access to a wealth of information through the electronic library, an extension of the on-campus facilities. For more information on the available offerings, please visit the NSU Libraries' Web site at www.nova.edu/library/nsulibs.html.
TUITION AND FEES

- There is a $50, nonrefundable application fee.
- Tuition is $300 per credit hour for courses offered during the summer II and fall 2011 terms. Tuition for winter, spring, summer II, and fall 2012 terms will subsequently be posted on our Web site (www.nova.edu/cah/healthsciences/bhs).
- An NSU student services fee of $750 is required annually.
- Students are responsible for purchasing any required textbooks and/or classroom materials.
- There is a diploma only fee.
- A graduation and diploma fee will be incurred by those students who elect to participate in a formal on-campus graduation ceremony (not required).

All tuition and fees are subject to change by the board of trustees without notice.

Tuition waivers and discounts for NSU students, staff members, and faculty members will be in accordance with published policy and administered by the dean of the College of Allied Health and Nursing. Tuition, fees, and payment schedules are subject to change without notice.

FINANCIAL AID

The primary financial responsibility for a student's education rests with the student and his or her family, but economic circumstances for some families may make it necessary for the student to obtain assistance from other sources.

The Office of Student Financial Assistance at Nova Southeastern University is there to help as many qualified students as possible to complete their health professions education. Various loans, scholarships, and grants are available to qualified students to help ease the high cost of a health professions education. These financial assistance programs are described on our Web site (www.nova.edu/financialaid).

For information on financial assistance, contact

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
Office of Student Financial Assistance
3301 College Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796
(954) 262-3380 • 800-806-3680

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1. **Terry Administration Building**
   - **First Floor**
     - Student Affairs
     - Admissions
     - Financial Aid
     - HPD Cafeteria
   - **Second Floor**
     - College of Allied Health and Nursing
       - Audiology Department
       - Health Sciences Department
       - Occupational Therapy Department
       - Physical Therapy Department
       - Physician Assistant Department
   - **Third Floor**
     - College of Medical Sciences
     - College of Pharmacy
   - **Fourth Floor**
     - College of Osteopathic Medicine
     - College of Optometry
   - **Fifth Floor**
     - HPD Administration
     - Public Health Program
     - Nursing Department
     - Area Health Education Center

2. **Finkelstein Building**
   - Finkelstein Auditorium (125 seats)
   - Joes Auditorium (125 seats)
   - Resnick Auditorium (125 seats)
   - Terry Auditorium (125 seats)
   - Auditorium A-B, and C (ol seats each)
   - Robert A. Staley Auditorium (500 seats)
   - Hall Auditorium (250 seats)
   - Seminar Rooms

3. **Library/Laboratory Building**
   - **First Floor**
     - Drug Information Center
     - Harvey Cardiac Patient Simulation Room
     - HPD Library
     - Student Computer Laboratory
     - Patient Simulation Center
   - **Second Floor**
     - Occupational Therapy Laboratories
     - Optometry Laboratories
     - Physical Therapy Laboratory
     - Student Lounge
     - EOMA Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Laboratory
   - **Third Floor**
     - Basic Science Laboratories
     - Gross Anatomy Laboratories
     - Microscopy Laboratory
     - Research Laboratories
     - Moren Pharmacy Practice Laboratory
     - Pharmacokinetics Laboratory
     - Pharmacology Laboratory
   - **Fourth Floor**
     - Pharmaceutics Laboratory
     - Audiology Department
     - Health Sciences
     - Health Professions Division Complex
     - Physical Therapy
     - Radiology
   - **Second Floor**
     - Optometry Clinics
     - Optometry Dispensary
   - **Third Floor**
     - Business Offices
     - Specialty Clinics
     - Cardiology
     - Internal Medicine
     - Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
     - Pulmonary Medicine
     - Emergency Medicine Training Center

4. **Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Care Center**
   - **First Floor**
     - Family Medicine
     - Occupational Therapy
     - Pediatrics
     - Dermatology
     - Physical Therapy
     - Radiology
   - **Second Floor**
     - Optometry Clinics
     - Optometry Dispensary
   - **Third Floor**
     - Business Offices
     - Specialty Clinics
     - Radiology
     - Audiology Department
     - Health Sciences
     - Health Professions Division Complex
     - Physical Therapy
     - Radiology

5. **Sanford L. Ziff Health Care Center**
   - **First Floor**
     - Family Medicine
     - Occupational Therapy
     - Pediatrics
     - Dermatology
     - Physical Therapy
     - Radiology
   - **Second Floor**
     - Optometry Clinics
     - Optometry Dispensary
   - **Third Floor**
     - Business Offices
     - Specialty Clinics
     - Radiology
     - Audiology Department
     - Health Sciences
     - Health Professions Division Complex
     - Physical Therapy
     - Radiology

6. **Dental Medicine Building**
   - **First Floor**
     - Oral Medicine and Radiology Clinic
     - Oral Surgery Clinic
     - Student Dental Clinic
     - Clinic Support Laboratory
     - Postdoctoral and Postgraduate Oral Surgery
   - **Second Floor**
     - Faculty Practice
     - Simulation Lab
     - Postgraduate Endodontics
     - Postgraduate Orthodontics
     - Postgraduate Periodontics
     - Postgraduate Prosthodontics

7. **Parking Garage**
   - Auditorium
   - Computer Science Laboratory
   - Seminar Rooms
   - Physical Assessment Laboratory
   - Compliance Office

8. **HPD Assembly Building**
   - Auditorium
   - Computer Science Laboratory
   - Seminar Rooms
   - Physical Assessment Laboratory
   - Compliance Office