Military/Veterans BSN Pathway (VBSN)
Application Process and Deadline

Application Process:

Application to the VBSN Pathway is a three-step process. Applicants must successfully 1. apply to the University, 2. supply all required documentation, and 3. apply to the VBSN Pathway before the enrollment deadline. Current USM students may skip step 1. Select military/veteran status AND select nursing as your major.

1. **Submit a USM Gulf Coast Admissions Application**

   Applicants who meet minimum published VBSN Pathway criteria should apply to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Submit a degree-seeking transfer application to USM-GC Undergraduate Admissions. For questions regarding undergraduate admissions, call 228.214.3444. **Students must be admitted to the USM Gulf Coast Campus.** Be sure to request that your military transcript be posted to your student record.

2. **Submit Required Documentation**

   Request 1 copy of ACT/SAT scores and official transcripts from every college or university attended, including all military transcripts. Have one copy of these scores and transcripts sent directly to the following address:

   USM-GC Office of Undergraduate Admissions
   730 East Beach Blvd.
   Long Beach, MS  39560

   A second copy of the same scores and transcripts (which do not need to be official) must be sent to (see Step 3):

   USM-GC College of Nursing, VBSN Pathway
   730 East Beach Blvd.
   Long Beach, MS  39560

   Admission will not be considered until the above documents are received, opened, and processed in the system by the Undergraduate Admissions office. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions will decide which courses are transferable to the University.
3. **Submit a VBSN Application to USM College of Nursing, Gulf Coast**

Once you have completed steps 1 and 2, complete, print, sign, and mail the VBSN application as instructed on the VBSN website’s Apply Now! button. The VBSN application requires a USM student identification number (w#). All students receive their w# at the time of application to the University (Step 1).

**Application Deadline:**

The College of Nursing accepts students into the VBSN Pathway every Fall. All prerequisite courses must be completed no later than the end of the semester before nursing classes begin.

The enrollment deadline for Fall is **February 1st** at 5:00pm.

We strongly suggest that applications be submitted as early as possible.

_Note: For an application to be considered, all required documents must be received on or before the deadline._

**Nursing Mandatory Orientation Dates:**

Orientation dates will be posted on the VBSN website. All VBSN students must attend the mandatory College of Nursing Orientation. Students who cannot attend the orientations may forfeit their seat in the program.