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 (current students may skip this step); 2. supply all required documentation; and 3. apply to the VBSN Pathway before the application deadline. 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 online to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions select Gulf Park as your home campus, and Nursing as your major. Here is a link to submit a degree-seeking transfer application (nursing major): https://home.usm.edu/admissions/apply-southern-miss. For questions regarding undergraduate admissions, call 228.214.3445. 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/university attended, including military transcripts. Have one copy of these official scores and transcripts sent directly to the following address:

USM Office of Undergraduate Admissions  
118 College Drive, Box #5116  
Hattiesburg, MS 39406

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 and Health Professions

Once you have completed steps 1 and 2, complete, print, sign, and mail the VBSN application. It is a downloadable PDF file that can be completed on your computer or manually, and can be found by clicking here.

- The VBSN application requires a student identification number. All students receive their student ID# at the time of application to the University (Step 1).
- A second (unofficial) copy of your ACT/SAT test scores and all college/university transcripts must be sent with your VBSN application to:

Southern Miss College of Nursing and Health Professions  
ATTN: VBSN NURSING APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION  
118 College Drive #5095  
Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001

12/05/2018
Application deadline:

The application deadline is February 1st at 5:00pm.

- We strongly suggest that applications be submitted as early as possible.
  - For an application to be considered, all required documents must be received on or before the deadline.
- The College of Nursing and Health Professions 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 Kaplan Admissions Test must be taken before the application deadline date (February 1st), and for more information about the Kaplan, click here. You may take the test at the Gulf Park campus or at the main campus in Hattiesburg.

Nursing Mandatory Orientation Date:

Upon acceptance to the VBSN Pathway, you will receive a packet of information that will include the mandatory orientation date. All VBSN students must attend the mandatory College of Nursing and Health Professions Orientation. Students who cannot attend the orientation may forfeit their seat in the program.