

<b>Title of Policy/Procedure:</b> Immunization Requirements and Clinical Clearance for Pre-licensure Clinical Placement	<b>Approval Responsibility (Title &amp; Name):</b> UG Chair, Jeanean Boyd, DNP, MSN, RN
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[Pre-Licensure Nursing Immunization Requirements - College of Nursing and Health Innovation - The University of Texas at Arlington \(uta.edu\)](https://uta.edu)

Junior 1/transfer students are required to complete all [vaccine and/or titer documentation](#) at application. Junior 1/transfer students must submit this documentation within 5 working days after acceptance letters/emails are sent, or 2 days of acceptance if initially waitlisted as follows:

- Fall admissions: acceptance letters/emails will be sent Friday the first full week of March; deadline for students to respond and upload immunization requirements is Friday the second full week of March; Learning Management System Orientation will open by the last Wednesday of March
- Spring admissions: acceptance letters/emails will be sent Friday the first full week of September; deadline for students to respond and upload immunization requirements is Friday the second full week of September; Learning Management System Orientation will open by the last Wednesday of September.

Continuing BSN Students are required to obtain clinical clearance prior to direct patient care contact and scheduled clinical hours. Clinical clearance requires written documentation provided by the student to the Program Coordinator for the campus based or AO programs by

- AO BSN Continuing Students -- **45 days** before the next term begins.
- Campus based continuing students
  - Friday of Fall Finals week for spring semester
  - Friday after Spring Finals week for fall semester

Students will not be cleared for registration if they are lacking clinical clearance for the **ENTIRE** semester. *Students will be ineligible to participate in clinical if they have not met this requirement. Therefore, students who are not clear by the due date may be required to sit out for a semester.*

*Clinical clearance includes:*

- [Immunizations](#)
- Criminal Background Check
  - BON
  - GroupOne
- Negative Drug Screen (See [policy](#))
- CPR: American Heart Association: BLS Provider valid for the entire semester
- Proof of current health insurance coverage
- Copy of Driver's License
- DFW Hospital Council Standard Student Clinical Orientation and Post-test (annually)

### **Immunization Providers**

Students may obtain the required immunizations and/or immunity titers from:

- UT Arlington Student Health Center,
- County health departments, or
- Private health care providers and/or employers

Students are expected to provide a signed release of clinical requirement documentation to requesting clinical facilities.

Exemptions/waivers of vaccines are not widely accepted at clinical facilities. If a clinical agency does not accept exemptions/waivers you may not be able to complete that clinical course. If you have objections or allergies to vaccines, you should speak to your doctor before starting the program. For concerns regarding a medical exemption contact the Undergraduate Clinical Coordinator.

**Important Note for Working Students:** Students must adhere to the academic calendar for UT Arlington Department of Undergraduate Nursing clinical clearance for the entire semester, rather than employment calendar for renewals. *Students will be ineligible to participate in clinical if they have not met this requirement.*

Failure to obtain the complete series of an immunization, according to the CDC established timeframe, may result in students not meeting clinical requirements.

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