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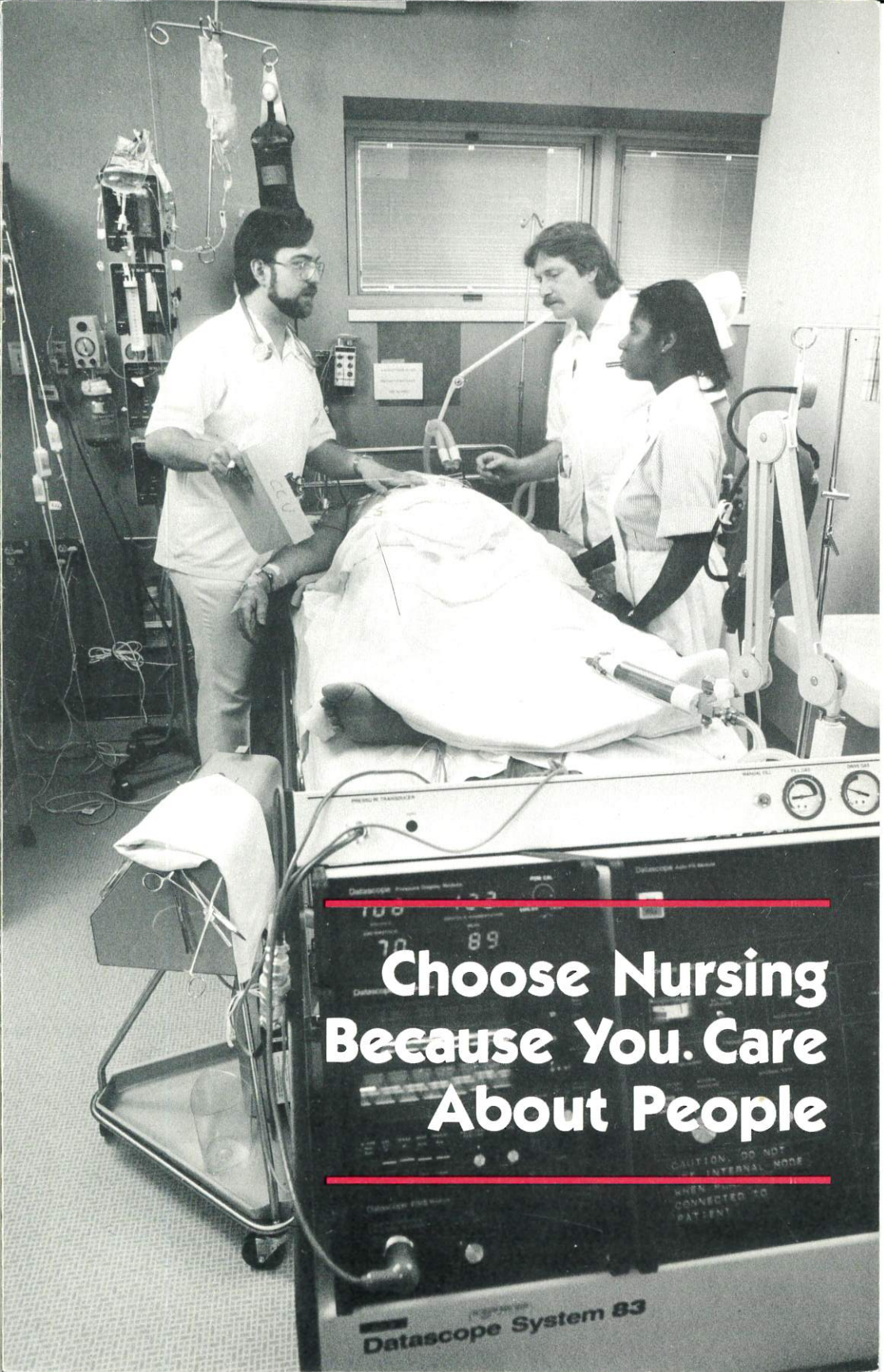
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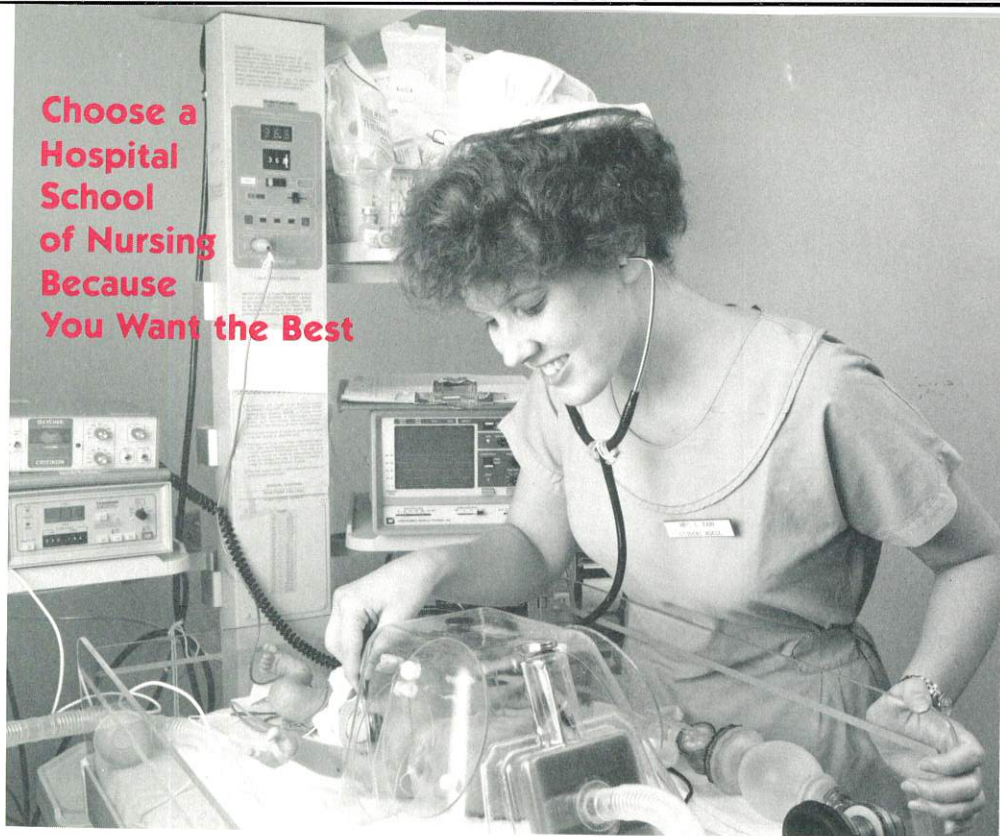


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**Choose a  
Hospital  
School  
of Nursing  
Because  
You Want the Best**



**H**ospital-based schools of nursing are unique in that they are centered in acute-care settings dedicated to patient care. Immediate access to this "living laboratory" promotes better understanding of the hospital environment, resources, and interrelations with other health disciplines.

Direct patient care experience begins early and continues until graduation. Studies encompass the spectrum of hospital nursing services—pediatric, maternity, psychiatric, medical surgical, and geriatric. Nursing judgment and decision-making skills will develop and grow through education and experience. The transition from student to graduate nurse is facilitated through this broad base of experience.

A hospital-based nursing education program includes courses in the biological, physical, and social sciences which are correlated with nursing courses. The academic program is enhanced by personal contact with faculty and close working relationships with hospital nursing and medical staff. The curriculum encourages individual learning and stresses nursing practice in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of patient care. Well-equipped classrooms, extensive libraries, and audio-visual resources are located within the school.

Graduates of Pennsylvania's hospital-based schools of nursing have a high success rate on State licensure examinations. All hospital schools of nursing in Pennsylvania are approved by the State Board of Nursing and accredited by the National League for Nursing. Accreditation signifies that the school meets national standards for quality in nursing education. Many programs allow the student to earn college credits during their course of study.

Because you care, choose a hospital-based school of nursing.

## Financial Assistance

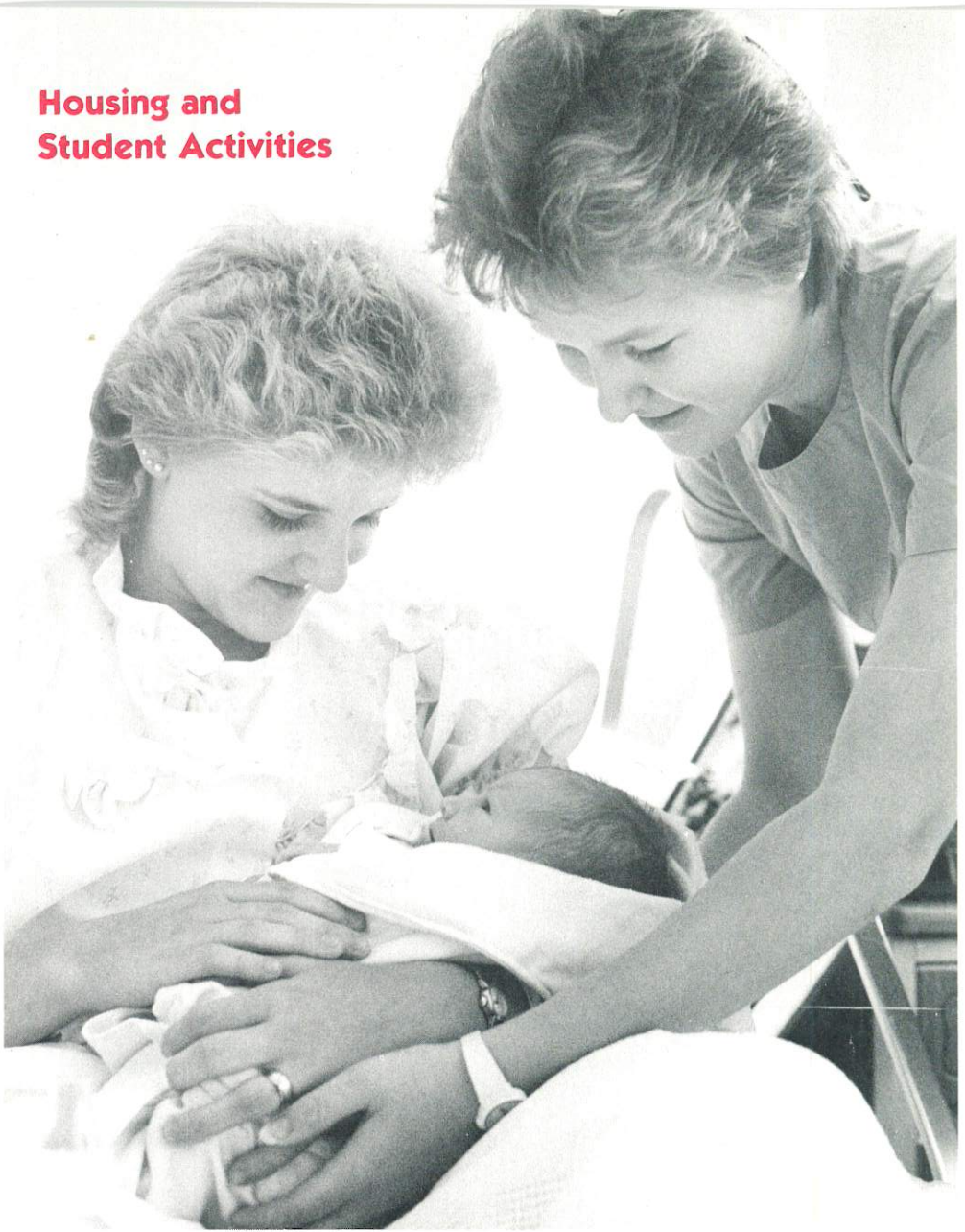


**I**n cases of financial need, grants and loans for hospital-based nursing education are available through state and federal sources similar to aid provided for those attending any university or college. These include: Basic Education Opportunity Grants (BEOG), Pennsylvania State Grants (PHEAA), Social Security and Veterans' Benefits Program, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG), and the nurse Training Act Program. In addition, scholarships and loans are available from community organizations, individual schools of nursing, and hospitals that do not have schools of nursing.

For specific details, contact your high school counselor, local clubs, religious organizations, or school of nursing financial aid officer.



## Housing and Student Activities

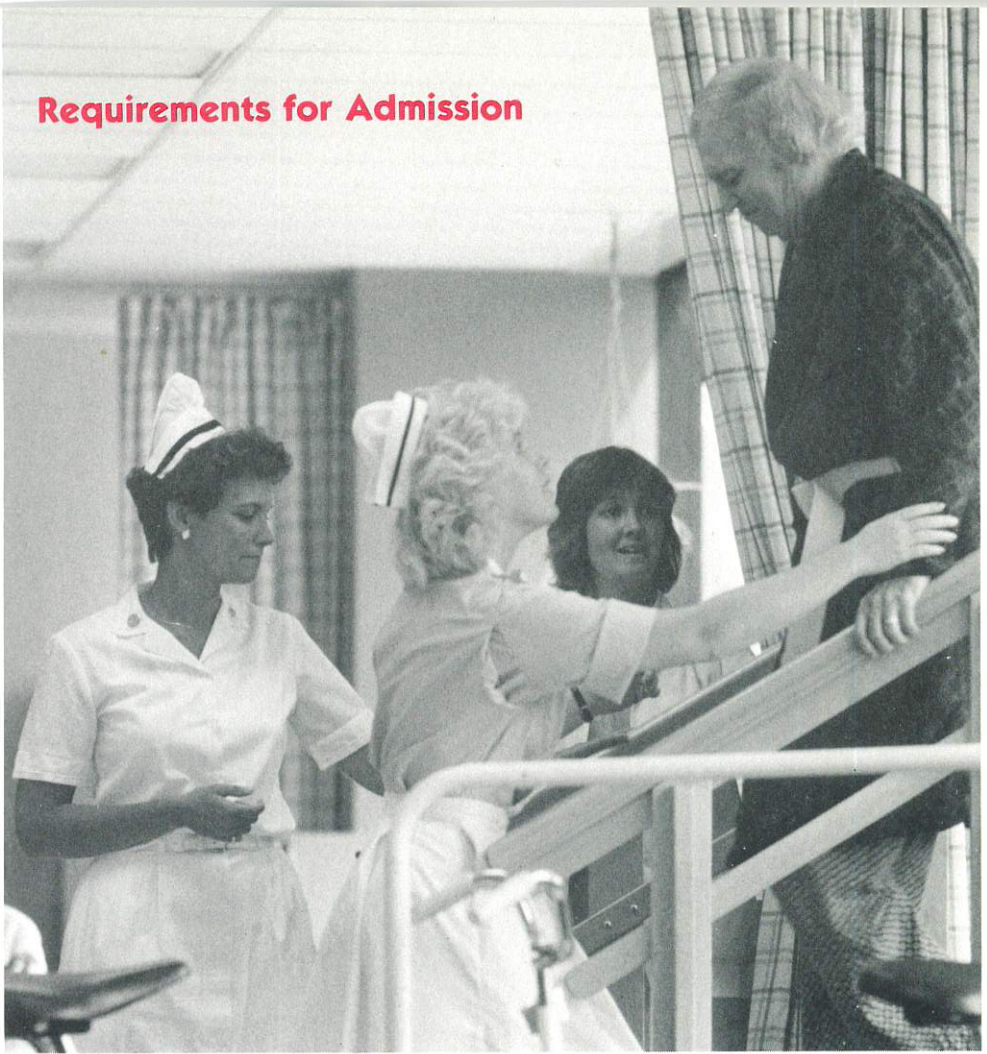


**M**ost schools provide housing for their students, and many give students the option of living away from the school. Still other schools may require freshmen to live in student housing because of the demands of the freshman academic program.

Student nurses participate in class activities, student government, nursing association programs, such as the Student Nurses Association of Pennsylvania (SNAP), and education trips. In addition, many communities offer sporting events, cultural activities, and a variety of recreational facilities which are available to students.

Comprehensive health services are available and counseling services are provided to assist students with personal and professional development.

## Requirements for Admission



If you are or will be a graduate of an approved high school or have a general equivalency diploma (GED), you have already met an important entrance requirement for hospital schools of nursing. Other requirements may vary from school to school, but usually include the following:

- At least four English credits.
- Two units of math (algebra required for many schools).
- Three units of history and social studies.
- Two units of laboratory science (biology and chemistry required for many schools).
- A 2.0 grade point average and in upper half of high school class.
- A personal interview.
- Health and personal references.
- Each hospital school requires applicants to take one of several pre-entrance tests such as the Pre-Nursing and Guidance Examination, the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), the American College Test (ACT). You should write to the director of admissions of the school of your choice for specific information and admission requirements.

## **Pennsylvania's Hospital-Based Schools of Nursing**

**Abington Memorial Hospital**  
Abington, PA 19001

**Altoona**  
Altoona, PA 16603

**Brandywine**  
Caln Township, PA 19320

**Chester County**  
West Chester, PA 19380

**Citizens General**  
New Kensington, PA 15068

**Community Medical Center**  
Scranton, PA 18501

**Conemaugh Valley Memorial**  
Johnstown, PA 15905

**Episcopal**  
Philadelphia, PA 19125

**Frankford**  
Philadelphia, PA 19114

**Geisinger Medical Center**  
Danville, PA 17822

**Germantown**  
Philadelphia, PA 19144

**Jameson Memorial**  
New Castle, PA 16105

**Lancaster General**  
Lancaster, PA 17603

**Mercy**  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

**Methodist**  
Philadelphia, PA 19148

**Northeastern**  
Philadelphia, PA 19134

**Ohio Valley General**  
McKees Rocks, PA 15136

**Pottsville**  
Pottsville, PA 17901

**Reading**  
Reading, PA 19603

**Roxborough Memorial**  
Philadelphia, PA 19128

**St. Francis General**  
Pittsburgh, PA 15201

**St. Francis Hospital  
of New Castle**  
New Castle, PA 16101

**St. Joseph**  
Lancaster, PA 17604

**St. Luke's**  
Bethlehem, PA 18015

**Louise Suydam McClintic  
of St. Margaret Memorial**  
Pittsburgh, PA 15215

**Saint Vincent Health Center**  
Eric, PA 16544

**Sewickley Valley**  
Sewickley, PA 15143

**Shadyside**  
Pittsburgh, PA 15232

**Sharon General**  
Sharon, PA 16146

**Uniontown**  
Uniontown, PA 15401

**Washington**  
Washington, PA 15301

**Western Pennsylvania**  
Pittsburgh, PA 15224

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