FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF NURSING

TITLE: ADMISSION

POLICY: S-1 The College of Nursing has a limited enrollment program.

RATIONALE: The Nursing Program is a limited access major with required prerequisites and sequential ordering of courses. Admission is highly competitive based on previous academic performance. The College of Nursing must screen applicants and limit enrollment to insure adequate resources (e.g., faculty, clinical placement) for the delivery of high quality nursing education. Completion of nursing admission requirements and admission to the University does not guarantee acceptance to the College of Nursing as a nursing major.

PROCEDURE:

BSN Program – Upper Division and Transfer Admissions

1. A separate application to the College of Nursing is required for admission to the Nursing Program. Applications will be accepted from December 1st through February 1st for admission for the Fall semester.

2. Applicants must satisfy the following admission requirements PRIOR to entering the Nursing Program in the Fall semester:
   a. Complete 60 unduplicated credit hours by the end of spring term prior to admission into the nursing program in the fall semester (completion of FSU’s Liberal Studies requirements) or have an Associate of Arts degree from a Florida institution of higher education or an equivalent out of state institution.
   b. Earn an overall cumulative GPA of 3.4 or higher.
   c. Earn an overall science prerequisite GPA of 3.0
   d. The following Florida State University courses (or their equivalent) must be completed with a grade of B(-) or higher:

   * CHM 1045 or General Chemistry I for Science Majors 3 Semester Hours
   BSC 2010 General Biology for Science Majors 3 Semester Hours
   * HUN 1201 The Science of Nutrition 3 Semester Hours
   * BSC 2085 Anatomy & Physiology Part I 3 Semester Hours
   * BSC 2085L Anatomy & Physiology Lab 1 Semester Hour
   * BSC 2086 Anatomy & Physiology Part II 3 Semester Hours
Seven (7) of these courses must be completed at the time of application, including three (3) science courses (labs not included in the 3). For the Traditional track, all prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the Spring semester prior to entering the program in the Fall. Science prerequisite courses are indicated above with an asterisk (*).

3. All previously earned prerequisite credits are subject to reevaluation by the College of Nursing Administration before entry into the program.

4. As part of the BSN application process, face-to-face group interviews will be conducted at the College of Nursing. All qualified BSN applicants will be notified by e-mail of their assigned place/time for the interview.

5. Following formal admission to the program, your seat is contingent upon completion of the clinical clearance requirements-Policy S4.

Accelerated BSN Program for Second Degree Students

1. A separate application to the College of Nursing is required for admission to the Accelerated BSN Program for Second Degree Students. Applications will be accepted from May 15th through July 15th for Spring admission.

2. Applicants must satisfy the following admission requirements PRIOR to entering the Nursing Program in the Spring semester:

   a. A Bachelor of Science degree from a nationally accredited college or university.
   b. Earn a cumulative overall GPA of 3.2 or higher.
   c. Earn an overall science prerequisite GPA of 3.0
   d. Complete the following Florida State University courses (or their equivalent) with a B(-) or higher:

* CHM 1045 or BSC 2010  General Chemistry I for Science Majors  General Biology for Science Majors  3 Semester Hours
* HUN 1201  The Science of Nutrition  3 Semester Hours
* BSC 2085  Anatomy & Physiology Part I  3 Semester Hours
e. Only one prerequisite course can be repeated

Seven (7) of these courses must be completed at the time of application, including three (3) science courses (labs not included in the 3). For the Accelerated track, all prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the Summer semester prior to entering the program in the Spring. Science prerequisite courses are indicated above with an asterisk (*).

3. All previously earned prerequisite credits are subject to reevaluation by the College of Nursing Administration before entry into the program.

4. As part of the ABSN application process, face-to-face group interviews will be conducted at the College of Nursing. All qualified ABSN applicants will be notified by e-mail of their assigned place/time for the interview.

5. Following formal admission to the program, your seat is contingent upon completion of the clinical clearance requirement-Policy S4.

**Veteran BSN Program Prerequisites**

1. The FSU College of Nursing admits students for the Traditional track in the Fall semester and Spring semester for Accelerated track. To be eligible to apply, students must complete the following nursing prerequisite courses (or their equivalent) prior to entering the nursing program:

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STA 2XXX Statistics 3 Semester Hours
DEP2004 Individual & Life Span Development (at FSU FAD3220) 3 Semester Hours
PSY 2012 or General Psychology 3 Semester Hours
SYG 1000 Introductory Sociology 3 Semester Hours
NUR 3125 Pathophysiological Concepts in Nursing (For Accelerated Track Only) 4 Semester Hours

Seven (7) of these courses must be completed at the time of application, including three (3) science courses (labs not included in the 3). For the Traditional track, all prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the Spring semester prior to entering the program in the Fall. For the Accelerated track, all prerequisite courses must be completed by the end of the Summer semester prior to entering the program in the Spring. Science prerequisite courses are indicated above with an asterisk (*).

2. Applicants must satisfy the following admission requirements:
   a. Earn a cumulative overall GPA of 3.0 or higher
   b. Earn an overall science prerequisite GPA of 3.0
   c. Received at least a B(-) or higher in all prerequisite courses
   d. Only one prerequisite course can be repeated

3. As part of the VBSN application process, face-to-face group interviews will be at the College of Nursing. All qualified VBSN applicants will be notified by e-mail of their assigned place/time for the interview.

4. Following formal admission to the program, your seat is contingent upon completion of the clinical clearance requirement-Policy S4

Graduate Admission

Doctor of Nursing Practice and Master of Science Program

1. A separate application to the College of Nursing is required for admission to the Nursing Graduate Program for the DNP and MSN. Criteria for admission to the Graduate Program include the following:

   a. Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree from a CCNE or NLN accredited program with an upper-division grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
   b. A competitive score on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) or Miller Analogies Test (MAT).
   c. Licensure as a registered nurse in the state of Florida for DNP applicant. MSN applicants need to licensure as a registered nurse in any state in the United States.

2. Applications for the Doctor of Nursing Practice program must be received by March 1st for consideration and review for Fall admission.
3. Applications for the Master of Nursing of Science Degree must be received by April 1 for consideration and review for Fall admission.

4. All previously earned credits, including prerequisites that are more than seven (7) years old are subject to evaluation by the Assistant Dean of Graduate Programs, College of Nursing, before entry into the program.

5. As part of the DNP application process the College of Nursing will be conducting face-to-face group interviews for DNP applicants. All qualified DNP applicants will be notified by e-mail of their assigned place/time for the interview.

Psychiatric Mental Health Certificate Program

1. A separate application to the College of Nursing is required for admission to the PMHNP Certificate Program. Criteria for admission to this program include the following:
   a. A certified Family or Adult Nurse Practitioner from CCNE or NLN accredited program with upper division grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
   b. Current licensure as an Advance Practice Nurse Practitioner in any state in the United States.
   c. Completed the following graduate level courses prior to starting the program: Advance Health Assessment, Advance Pathophysiology, and Advance Pharmacology.
   d. CV/Resume

2. Applicants for Psychiatric Mental Health Certificate must be received by October 1 for a Spring admission and April 1 for a Fall admission.

3. Apply to Florida State University as a non-degree seeking student (via FSU admissions.fsu.edu website).

The application deadlines for FSU Non-degree applications are Fall-August 1, Spring-December 1, and Summer-May 1.

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