Nursing Admission Requirements

Nursing is one of the most popular programs at SUNY Ulster and is currently in high demand. For this reason there are more applicants than there are seats available. Admission into the Fall Nursing Program is a competitive process comprised of pre-Nursing test results, educational records and a Nursing Admissions Committee review. Out of county residents will be considered for the program. Federal and/or State Law concerning U.S. Citizenship may affect a student’s ability to obtain a license to practice the Nursing Professions following successful completion of the program. Compliance with all licensing requirements remains the responsibility of the student.

Students seeking enrollment for the Nursing Program must fulfill a two step admission process. First students must complete the standard admissions process. Students are recommended to enroll and complete a semester or two of classes at SUNY Ulster before applying and completing the second step to become eligible for the Nursing Clinical courses.

**STEP 1 – Standard Admissions and Enrollment Process for the Nursing Program**

- Submission of a completed Admissions application to the College. Students can apply online and access detailed information on the College's admission process at [www.sunyulster.edu/admissions/start_here](http://www.sunyulster.edu/admissions/start_here)
- Submission of high school transcripts or equivalency in addition to all official college transcripts from schools attended
- Satisfactory placement in the College's Entering Student Assessment Test
- Completion of the Online Orientation
- Register and enroll in required prerequisites for the Nursing Program
- Current High School students - contact Admissions for specific application instructions.

**STEP 2 – Enrollment in the Nursing Clinical Course (NUR 152)**

Enrollment in Nursing Courses is a competitive process comprised of the nursing pre-entrance exam results, educational records, completion of a Nursing program application, and a Nursing Committee review. All requirements for enrollment for clinical courses must be completed on or before March 1.

- All students who intend to enter the Nursing clinical courses are required to submit a separate Nursing program application to the Nursing Department on or before March 1.
- Completion of the Nursing Program’s pre-entrance exam is a mandatory part of the application process. Pre-registration is required. Students must contact the Program Assistant. The testing fee is due at the time of registration. The exam can be taken once a year for each nursing applicant with a maximum of two attempts within the last five years. The exams are given in January and February on pre-determined dates. For additional information regarding testing dates and fees, please contact the Nursing Program at 687-5235. Dates are available after October.
- Students must have and maintain an overall minimum of 2.75 GPA in all required courses in order to be considered for entry into the Nursing Program. All required science courses must have been completed within the last 5 years with a minimum grade of ‘C’ or higher.
- A maximum of two attempts to achieve a ‘C’ or better in BIO 107 within the last five years is allowed.
- Students may only repeat one class for a better grade that is counted towards their rubric score.
- An applicant who has earned less than a ‘C’ grade in two or more Nursing courses from any college cannot be considered for the program.
- Students selected for the program will be required to submit a deposit and complete an Intent to Enroll Form to hold their seat.

For information on the curriculum and requirements refer to our website at [www.sunyulster.edu/nursing](http://www.sunyulster.edu/nursing).