Nursing, BS, Accelerated Program Admission Requirements

The UMSL College of Nursing is committed to admitting a diverse group of students who will become nurse leaders responsive to the specific needs of the communities and populations we serve. We value diversity, intellectual discourse and rigor, caring, professionalism, mutual respect and support, innovation, collaboration, and transparency. Applicants will be selected using inclusive and balanced admission criteria that measure their potential in nursing practice, education, research, and scholarship. We measure our success by graduates who become lifelong learners and leaders in their communities and in the profession of nursing.

Applicants to the accelerated nursing clinical program will be holistically reviewed using criteria such as GPA, academic performance in required pre-nursing courses, a personal statement, an essay, extra-curricular activities, honors, award recognitions, leadership roles, and work/volunteer experiences.

Clinical Admission Criteria: Accelerated BSN

Clinical spaces are awarded on a competitive and space-available basis for each admission period. Admission to the University of Missouri-St.Louis and the College of Nursing (as a pre-clinical student) does not guarantee admission into the clinical track of any of the Pre-Licensure BSN Options (Traditional Full-Time, Traditional Part-Time or Accelerated), unless a student is admitted to the Traditional Full-Time Option under the Freshman Guaranteed Clinical Criteria (see the Traditional BSN information).

Clinical track spaces are limited and are awarded to qualified students on a competitive basis. Only students who submit the required clinical application by the appropriate deadline will be considered. Applicants must meet the following minimum criteria in order to be considered for clinical admission. Please note that meeting the following minimum criteria does not guarantee that a student will earn a clinical space in the Accelerated Option.

- Admission to the University by completing the UMSL Undergraduate Application
- Transcripts from all previous institutions
- A bachelor’s or graduate degree or a minimum of 100 hours towards a bachelor’s degree in another field.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25 (including all transferable courses), regardless of whether or not the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree in another field of study.
- Satisfactory completion of all general education course requirements.
- Grade of B- or higher within 5 years of clinical enrollment in the following courses: Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology I, Anatomy & Physiology II, Microbiology, and Human Growth and Development.
- Grade of C- or higher in all prerequisite courses except in the case of the above-listed science courses.
- Completion of the Accelerated BSN Program Supplemental Application.

Note: Admission criteria are subject to change.

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal:
None.