The Faculty of the College of Nursing develop admission criteria to be utilized in screening selected applicants.

Admission Requirements:

1. To be admitted into the nursing program/major, a student must:
   a. Submit the following information:
      • completed application form
      • official transcripts of all university/college course work
      • two letters of recommendation
      • campus preference
      • disclosure statement

   b. Complete the following prerequisite college courses at any time prior to beginning Semester 1 nursing courses:
      • English Composition I & II
      • Introduction to Psychology
      • Introduction to Sociology
      • Ethics
      • Culture, Race, Ethnicity, Gender
      • Humanities
      • Political Science/Social Organization
      • NOTE: Free electives must be completed prior to graduation to total 120 credit hours necessary for completion of the nursing program prior to graduation (See Policy 5.2.31).

   c. Complete the following prerequisite college courses within 10 years of beginning Semester 1 nursing courses*
      • College Algebra or higher
      • Human Anatomy
      • Human Physiology
      • Human Growth & Development
      • Chemistry
      • Statistics
      • Microbiology
      • Nutrition
      • Family & Human Behavior
*An exception to the 10 year rule is made for students entering the RN-BSN program. For RNs who have been working in nursing or enrolled in a nursing program for the previous year, the 10 year rule is waived.

2. The following courses require a letter grade assignment:
   - Human Anatomy
   - Human Physiology
   - Chemistry
   - Statistics
   - Microbiology
   - Nutrition
   - College Algebra or higher

3. To be admitted into the Accelerated Nursing Program/major in addition to the requirements listed in requirement 1 and 2, the student must:
   a. Have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited university/college. International students must have their course work evaluated and have the equivalency of a baccalaureate degree prior to matriculation.

4. To be admitted into the RN-BSN Nursing Program/major, in addition to the requirements listed in items 1 and 2, the student must:
   a. Document current RN licensure allowing practice in the state where clinicals will be conducted.
   b. Complete and file an official course projection with the Student Services office.

5. To be admitted into the nursing programs, the following criteria must also be met:
   a. Have college prerequisite/co-requisite grade point average of 2.5 or higher.
   b. Have a minimum 2.0 ("C") (or satisfactory AP, CLEP, Dantes, P/NP) in prerequisite courses. A maximum of 12 credit hours can be non-graded (e.g.: AP, CLEP, Dantes, P/NP).
   c. Complete a preadmission interview if requested.
   d. Submit Appraisal Form, if applicable, from any previously attended nursing program.

6. Acceptance into the nursing program is a competitive and selective process. Priority admittance into the nursing program is given to students with a prerequisite/co-requisite grade point average of 3.0 or above, two satisfactory recommendations, and greater number of prerequisite courses completed. Students with a prerequisite grade point average between 2.5 and 3.0 may be admitted if space is available.

7. Final acceptance is dependent upon the successful completion of all admission requirements and prerequisite courses and upon receipt of the following:
   a. Completed medical health forms
   b. Actual date, month/day/year of immunization or titer for the following diseases or illnesses prior to admission:
      - **PPD** completed test for tuberculosis within 6 months prior to admission. The test is repeated and documented on an annual basis.
      - **RUBELLA** (German measles) completed immunization or titer showing immunity; Documentation of immunization or a positive titer is needed.
      - **RUBEOLA** (Red measles) Students must provide documentation of having received at least **TWO** immunizations unless born before 1957 or physician documentation of diagnosis of measles is provided.
      - **MUMPS** Documentation of two immunizations and a positive titer is required.
      - **TETANUS, DIPHTHERIA, PERTUSSIS** Tetanus, diphtheria (Td) completed in last 10 years. One (1) Tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Tdap) booster dose is required as an adult. If the student has not had a booster in the last 2 years with the acellular pertussis component, then the Tdap is required.
- **POLIO** Indicate year of immunization.
- **VARICELLA** (Chicken Pox) Documentation of 2 immunizations or a positive titer.
- **HEPATITIS B** Documentation of immunization series of three completed and a positive titer.
- **FLU IMMUNIZATION** All students are required to have an annual flu immunization.
  - Students admitted to the program for the summer semester are required to receive the flu immunization in the fall prior to matriculation.
  - Students admitted to the program for the fall semester are required to receive the flu immunization during the 1st vaccination period after matriculation.
- **MENINGOCOCCAL** The College of Nursing recommends the meningococcal immunization.
  
  c. Submit Technical Standards worksheet.
  d. Verification of current certification valid for the academic year in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) for health professionals. This is defined as Basic Life Support for infant, child and adult one man/two man and AED training. Verification of current CPR must be documented annually through graduation.

8. Students will **not** be allowed to enroll in clinical nursing courses without meeting immunization and BLS requirements.

9. The complete mandatory UNMC background check is required prior to the first day of class.

10. Drug Screening Tests may be required prior to clinical placement at the discretion of the clinical agencies.

11. International professional nurses seeking admission into the RN to BSN Program will be evaluated on an individual basis including Policy 5.2.5, English as a Second Language-Undergraduate Students.