

Eligibility/Application Requirements for the Traditional BSN Option

The application deadline for a Traditional BSN clinical nursing seat is March 1 for the following academic year. Once selected, students will be placed to begin nursing courses in either the fall or spring cohort.

First Year Courses: All first-year courses must be completed successfully by end of the semester of application. Successful completion requires a C- or better for general education courses and a C or better in Nutrition for Health Care Professionals, (HPNU 2050), Statistics for Nurses (NURS 2060), and Anatomy and Physiology I & II (HPNU 2010 and HPNU 2020).

Minimum GPA: The cumulative GPA must be 3.0 or higher at the end of the Spring semester of application. GPA calculation will include all previous college coursework and courses taken at UCCS. The student's GPA will be updated at the end of the semester to include that semester's grades for the purpose of reviewing applicants for admission to clinicals. **IMPORTANT:** If a student's cumulative GPA is less than 3.0 after the final semester update, he/she will not be considered for admission to the Nursing major, even if the entrance exam has been taken and passed.

Current Active UCCS Students: Applicants must be active at UCCS and must have successfully completed at least one course at UCCS over the three semesters prior to taking the exam.

Traditional BSN Clinical Application form: The first step of the application process is to submit the Traditional BSN Clinical Application form. Print the completed form and take it to the Student Success Center to be placed in the Nursing Advisor's box. Students have two (2) opportunities to apply to a prelicensure BSN nursing program. The Traditional BSN Clinical Application may be withdrawn without penalty by contacting the Nursing Advisors.

Background Check: A current background check must be completed by the application deadline according to the guidelines specified on the document that is linked on the BSN – Traditional Option web page. Results will automatically be sent to the Department of Nursing. Background checks are valid for one year.

Admission Exam: The *HESI Admission Assessment Exam Review* is available for purchase in the UCCS Bookstore or online. The exam will primarily cover material learned during the first-year courses. Physics is not included in the exam. Consult the webpage regarding dates for the exam and the process for registering for distance testing. Students with disability accommodations will have direct access to a link on their Elsevier Evolve account which will provide a request form and step by step instructions for uploading documentation. HESI scores are valid for one application year. Students applying a second time must retake the HESI exam.

Limitations: If a Nursing Prep student opts to take a NURS XXXX course prior to admission to a Traditional Clinical BSN seat and earns a C- or lower, the student's performance will be considered during the final selection process and may jeopardize the student's standing in the application cohort.