Effective Date

These policies become effective immediately and shall remain in effect until revoked.

Purpose

Applicant policies are provided to inform prospective applicants regarding admission requirements. The most current policies are posted in the Department of Nursing web site and are subject to change.

Application Requirements

1. The following are requirements for full admission to the RN-BSN program at Metropolitan State University.
   1.1. A completed Metropolitan State University application;
   1.2. Evidence of current unencumbered registered nurse licensure in at least one state with eligibility for licensure in Minnesota;
   1.3. An official transcript indicating completion of an associate degree in nursing from a regionally accredited institution. Transcripts from diploma nursing programs are evaluated on an individual basis;
   1.4. Official transcripts for all other undergraduate or graduate study completed at the time of the application. Applicants may petition to have a transcript older than seven years from the application deadline individually reviewed for exclusion from the cumulative GPA calculation. Transcripts for elimination must not include any nursing course requirements for the applicant’s ADN and credentials from an omitted transcript may not be used to satisfy program admission requirements;
   1.5. Graduates of foreign nursing schools who apply to the RN-BSN program are required to have transcripts evaluated by a credentials evaluation service. The evaluation report will serve as the basis for the transcript evaluation needed for admission to the university and to the nursing program;
   1.6. The Grade Point Average (GPA) used for admission assessment is the cumulative GPA calculated from all coursework and evaluation of all transcripts (undergraduate and
graduate). A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required for application for full admission. Students must have earned a grade of at least a C in all nursing courses;

1.7. Applicants with a cumulative GPA of 2.3 – 2.49 may petition for conditional admission. If the petition is approved, students must complete the requirements set forth in the petition response before they will be considered fully admitted and eligible for cohort placement in the RN-BSN program.

**Pre-Nursing Requirements**

2. Admitted students must complete the following pre-nursing requirements before they are eligible to matriculate into the nursing major:
   - Statistics (introductory or higher) three credit minimum,
   - Writing in Your Major (Writ 331 at Metropolitan State University), three credit minimum,
   - Medical Ethics, two credit minimum,
   - One course from Goal 6: Humanities and Fine Arts (from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum or MNTC).

2.1. Appropriate transfer courses may be accepted to meet these requirements.

2.2. Students with a previous baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution or equivalent non U.S. institution need Statistics plus one of the other three pre-nursing courses (not all four courses).

   Effective for students admitted Fall 2015 and later, students with a previous baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution or equivalent non U.S. institution need Statistics and Medical Ethics (not all four courses).

2.3. Students are required to obtain letter grades in all RN-BSN program courses including nursing and pre-nursing courses. Students must have a 3.0 GPA across the pre-nursing courses and earn a grade of at least a C in each pre-requisite nursing course.