As a transfer student, you may be considered for the pre-licensure program on a space-available basis. In the last few years only a small number (less than 10%) of transfer students have been accepted each year. In reviewing candidates, we look for students who have superb academic records and a demonstrated commitment to the field of nursing. Because the number of applications to our nursing program far exceeds our capacity, admission is highly competitive.

**Students admitted as "undeclared" or as a major other than "nursing" will not be able to change their major to nursing after they have enrolled at the University.**

**ADMISSION**

Due to program sequencing in Nursing, we do not admit to the junior year. The University may limit admission of transfer students with more than 70 transferable credits. The nursing curriculum is a three-year sequence, regardless of the number of semesters/years you have completed prior to admission. All applicants should be aware of the following College of Nursing policies:

1. Transfer Students **are not eligible** to begin their nursing course sequence until the **spring following their admission term** (e.g. students admitted in the spring will not begin nursing courses until the following spring).
2. Entrance into the clinical course sequence is based on seat availability and is not guaranteed. Eligibility for placement in NUR 203 (Comprehensive Health Assessment) will be determined by the College of Nursing.
3. All students must acquire a URI-based GPA (at least one semester at URI with an overall GPA of 3.0) before they are eligible to take NUR 203.

**Requirements for consideration include:**

- Cumulative GPA of **3.3** or higher cumulative GPA across all institutions
- GPA in prerequisite courses **3.5** or higher
- Student must have completed Writing to Inform and Explain (College-level Composition)
- Students must complete at least 3 of the following credits prior to the end of the current semester
  - Human Anatomy with Lab
  - Human Physiology with Lab
  - Inorganic Chemistry
  - Organic Chemistry

Students who were previously enrolled in another post-secondary registered nursing program must provide a reference from the Dean of Nursing or program director from their nursing program. We do not admit students who have been dismissed from a nursing program or who have received a failing grade ("C-" or below) in any nursing course.

Meeting all criteria listed above does not guarantee admission.

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