### College of Nursing Accelerated Application Guidelines (1 of 2)

The Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing (ABSN) sequence for second-degree students at Kent State University (KSU) College of Nursing is a rigorous academic program that requires demonstration of critical thinking, strong written and oral communication skills in addition to the time, support, and resources to commit to an intensive program. Prospective students/applicants are *highly* encouraged to attend an <u>ABSN Information Forum</u> prior to applying to the sequence.

Application review will begin immediately following the application deadline. No preference is granted to those who submit their application early within the provided window. It is recommended that you start your application early so that you might collect the required material and properly submit everything within the application prior to selecting "I am finished." No application materials will be accepted after the deadline.

There is one ABSN cohort option for the Spring 2018 term. This cohort (Daytime) is a 4 semester/15 month sequence. The KSU College of Nursing typically admits a Daytime cohort each semester/three times a year while admission to the 18 month sequence options are only available in the Fall terms. Please refer to the ABSN website regarding cohort options to see further specifics.

# Other than submitting this application to the College of Nursing by the deadline of September 1st at 11:59PM, admission criteria to the ABSN sequence are as follows:

- 1. You must be accepted by KSU Undergraduate Admissions as a post-undergraduate, degree-seeking student by the deadline of September 1st at 11:59PM for consideration. Your ABSN application will not be considered if you have not been accepted to the university as a post-undergraduate, degree-seeking student.
  - i. This status requires the verification of a previous baccalaureate degree (B.S., B.A., etc).
  - ii. You must submit your official, up-to-date transcript(s) for any regionally accredited institution(s) to KSU Undergraduate Admissions.
  - iii. If you are currently in-progress with any related coursework, you should attach an unofficial transcript or course schedule within this application to validate that registration.
- 2. A minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.75 in all previous college coursework completed at a regionally accredited institution
- 3. A minimum Science GPA of 2.75 in prerequisite science courses (Anatomy & Physiology I and II, Chemistry, and Microbiology) or their equivalents, with a minimum grade of C in each course
  - i. If you completed your Anatomy & Physiology I and II outside of KSU, you must attach the syllabi (including labs) with your application.
- 4. Completion of a college-level algebra course with a C or higher

#### At the conclusion of the application period, applications will be considered based on the following:

- 1. Cumulative GPA and Science GPA
- 2. Completion of related coursework (BSCI 30050, NURS 20950, NUTR 23511, Statistics) or equivalents.

3. Preference is given to applicants who have all prerequisites (science prerequisite courses, college algebra, and Bachelor's degree) completed by September 1st at 11:59PM.

Application review will begin immediately following the application deadline. Applications will be ranked in order of total points. Applicants with the highest number of points will be offered a seat in the Spring 2018 cohort per indicated preference until the set cohort size has been reached. Applicants will be notified via email by Friday, October 13th as to whether they have been accepted into the ABSN sequence or denied. Successful applicants must accept their seat in the offered cohort (in writing) by Friday, October 20th. Students who are offered a seat in the Spring 2018 cohort are expected to attend an ABSN orientation tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, November 8th from 10:00AM-4:00PM.

Waiting lists will not be maintained and those who are not selected are required to re-apply for admission to subsequent ABSN cohorts. These students are encouraged to work with an ABSN academic advisor to develop a stronger application for a future term.

## College of Nursing Accelerated Application Guidelines (2 of 2)

Please read the following information to ensure that your application is correctly completed. The application for the ABSN sequence requires additional information than the application to the Traditional, four-year baccalaureate program.

- 1. Please complete every portion of the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All required information must be submitted by the application deadline.
- 2. If you do not check the boxes of understanding for any of the questions under Section I Requirements on the application, your application will not be considered.
- 3. The ABSN sequence is only offered at KSU's Kent campus. ABSN Applicants must be accepted by Undergraduate Admissions as a post-undergraduate, degree-seeking student by September 1st at 11:59PM.
- 4. By filling out this application, you are applying for Fall 2017 admission to the ABSN sequence. Applications are reviewed in good faith and with the assumption that the student has the time, support, and resources to commit to the full-time, 15 consecutive months that the program requires. 100% attendance is mandatory throughout the sequence duration. Classes in the ABSN sequence are not necessarily held in the traditional format and may include weekend intensive classes/clinical, evening classes/clinical and web-based classes.
- 5. All application materials, including requested attachments, must be received by September 1st at 11:59PM.

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I have read the above statements and understand how they relate to my application to the Accelerated sequence. The information submitted in this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I have downloaded a copy of these Guidelines for my own records and acknowledge the review timeline listed therein.

By clicking "create application" below, you agree to the terms outlined in this document

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