

ETSU College of Nursing Admission Criteria (2001-2002)

Criteria for Admission at the Time of Application to B.S.N Major:

1. The applicant must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.60 on a 4.0 scale (on all college level work) as computed by East Tennessee State University. Developmental Studies Program coursework is not included in the calculation of the cumulative grade point average for College of Nursing admission purposes.
2. The applicant must have earned a minimum grade of "C" (2.0) in each of the required science courses. No more than two science courses may be repeated, and no more than one science course may be repeated more than once in order to achieve a minimum of "C" (2.0).

Second degree applicants will be evaluated using the criteria outlined above.

Application/Selection Process:

1. During the first semester of sophomore year, the PSTCC student applies to East Tennessee State University as a "special student" and advance registers for FCNU 2010, 2030, and PMNU 2020, 2310. "Special students" will be advised by College of Nursing academic advisors, as well as by PSTCC academic advisors. "Special student" status does not guarantee admission to the B.S.N. major.

"Special students" will be assessed the ETSU tuition rate for courses offered by ETSU. The ETSU Office of Admissions will determine residency status for purposes of ETSU tuition rates (i.e., in state or out-of-state).

2. Students must make formal application to the College of Nursing B.S.N. major during the semester in which they will complete (or have in progress) all the courses listed above and meet all other admission requirements. Typically, application is made during the first semester of the sophomore year. The deadline for application to the spring semester is October 1.

The student must submit a completed College of Nursing application, copies of all college/university transcripts and an academic records release form. An unofficial transcript from PSTCC will be accepted as part of the College of Nursing application process. The application and transcripts must be submitted to: Office of Student Services, College of Nursing, East Tennessee State University, P.O. Box 70617, Johnson City, TN 37614-0617.

3. All eligible applicants will be rank-ordered by cumulative college-level grade point average. Conditional admission to the nursing major will be offered to the top ranked students through the ETSU College of Nursing. All applicants will be notified of their admission status prior to advance registration for the spring semester. Advance registration into the nursing courses will be coordinated by ETSU College of Nursing academic advisors.
4. Conditionally admitted students "special students" will advance register for FCNU 2010, 2030, and PMNU 2020, 2310, as well as remaining PSTCC courses. A final verification of eligibility will be made once fall semester grades become available. Students who are no longer eligible at the end of the fall semester will be administratively dropped from the nursing courses and must reapply to the next B.S.N. class or select an alternate program at PSTCC.
5. Those "special students" who continue to successfully progress must apply to East Tennessee State University and be fully admitted as a degree seeking student prior to progression into the junior year of the B.S.N. degree program. Provided enrollment is on a full-time basis, those students can expect to complete the B.S.N. degree requirements in four additional semesters. Part-time enrollment in the nursing major is possible.

Progression Criteria:

To progress to the junior year, each fully admitted "special student" must (1) be fully admitted to ETSU as a degree-seeking student; (2) earn a minimum of "C" in HSCI 3020 Human Physiology during the summer after the completion of FCNU 2010, 2030, and PMNU 2020, 2310; and (3) earn a minimum of "C" in each nursing course.