



## Academic Readiness Checklist

### Set A Coursework

- All Set A prerequisite courses must be fully completed before you are eligible to apply.
- Courses in progress will not qualify for application eligibility.

### Set B Coursework

- All Set B prerequisite courses must be completed with a C grade or higher prior to the start of the nursing program.
- Students who do not complete or pass these courses before the program begins will be dismissed

### General Education Objectives

- All university General Education Objectives must be completed prior to starting the nursing program.
- Students who have not satisfied General Education requirements will not be eligible to begin the program.

### Minimum Academic Standards

- All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher.
- Applicants must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in their Set A and B prerequisite course.

### Competitive Admission Context

Admission is competitive. Recent applicant averages include:

- Required Set A GPA to apply is 3.0
  - Average application GPA is 3.6
- Required TEAS Score to apply is 60%
  - Average Traditional BSN (TBSN): approximately 70–75%
  - Average Accelerated BSN (ABSBN): approximately 82–84%

Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

### Petition Requirements

- All petitions related to nursing prerequisite coursework must be submitted and approved.
- Petitions must be submitted no later than 15 days prior to the nursing application deadline.
- Petitions submitted after this deadline are not guaranteed to be reviewed before the application deadline.
- Applicants will not be authorized to apply until all petition decisions have been finalized and approved.



### **TEAS Examination Requirement**

- The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) must be completed with 18 months and no later than 5 days prior to the application deadline, with a minimum score of 60%
- A passing TEAS score must be on file in the ISU School of Nursing's ATI account.
- Exams taken online require a minimum of 3 business days to reach the ISU SON account.
  - Leniency will not be given for scores not received by ISU prior to the application deadline
- Students without a passing TEAS score recorded in the ISU School of Nursing ATI account will not be permitted to apply

### **Important Applicant Responsibility**

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that all requirements, documentation, and deadlines are met.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that they contact/schedule their advising/application appointment in plenty of time before the application closes. Advisors get extremely busy, booking early ensures you will gain access to the application in plenty of time. Access is not granted to an applicant without advisors' approval. Advisors do not work evening and weekends, so be aware of the application deadline and plan accordingly.

### **Additional Admission Preparation**

American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS)

- Students admitted to the program must obtain American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) certification.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to schedule this certification during the semester in which they apply.

### **Physical Examination**

- Applicants are encouraged to schedule an appointment with their primary care provider for their required physical.
- The physical examination should be completed within 2–3 weeks after admission decisions are released.
- Last-minute appointments can be difficult to obtain, so early scheduling is strongly recommended.

### **Attend a Mandatory Nursing Orientation**

- Early April for ABSN admits
- Late April for Fall TBSN admits
- Late November/Early December for Spring TBSN admits

*Failure to meet any application, admission, documentation requirement, or established deadline may result in:*

- Ineligibility to apply during the current admission cycle, or
- Retraction of an admission offer if already granted.