Competitive Admission Criteria

Freshman applicants:

- Submit an undergraduate application to SIUC at admissions.siu.edu/apply; select Nursing from the major drop-down box. The Nursing Programs utilize a competitive admission process and admission to SIUC does not guarantee admission to the Nursing Program.
- Register for and take the HESI-A2 Admission Assessment. Detailed instructions are available on the Nursing Homepage at https://sah.siu.edu/undergraduate/nursing/. Follow the instructions carefully. Failure to carefully follow instructions could result in SIUC BSN program being unable to access your test scores.
- Nursing applicants are placed in an applicant pool and ranked based on HESI-Admission Assessment score. The School of Health Sciences notifies students once they are accepted to the Nursing Program. The selection process begins in the first week of December annually. 30 direct-admit Freshmen are chosen annually.

Sophomore or transfer applicants:

- Submit an undergraduate application to SIUC at admissions.siu.edu/apply; select Nursing from the major drop-down box. The Nursing Programs utilize a competitive admission process and admission to SIUC does not guarantee admission to the Nursing Program.
- Ensure your eligibility to apply to the nursing program by reviewing the following:
  - Make an appointment with the Nursing Program Advisor at NURSINGadvisement@siu.edu.
  - Verify a cumulative GPA of 3.0
  - Verify completion of pre-requisite courses or registered to complete pre-requisite courses with a C or higher by end of summer session preceding fall nursing courses.

  AH 105 - Medical Terminology
  MICRO 201 - Elementary Microbiology
  HND 101 - Personal Nutrition
  CHEM 140A or 200/201 - Chemistry or Intro to Chemical Principles/Gen. Chemistry Lab
  PHSL 240A & 240B - Anatomy & Physiology for Nursing I and II
  MATH 108 or 106 - College Algebra

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- Nursing applicants are placed in an applicant pool and ranked based on HESI-Admission Assessment score. The School of Health Sciences notifies students once they are accepted to the Nursing Program. The selection process begins in the first week of December annually. Students are pulled from this pool to fulfill the 50 accepted student capacity (difference will vary based on the successful freshmen direct admit matriculation and 50 available slots).
Accelerated BSN applicants:

- Submit an undergraduate application to SIUC at admissions.siu.edu/apply; select Nursing from the major drop-down box. The Nursing Programs utilize a competitive admission process and admission to SIUC does not guarantee admission to the Nursing Program.
- Ensure your eligibility to apply to the nursing program by reviewing the following:
  - Make an appointment with the Nursing Program Advisor at NURSINGadvisement@siu.edu.
  - Verify a cumulative GPA of 3.0
  - Verify completion of a minimum of 70 credit hours
  - Completion of pre-requisite courses or registered to complete pre-requisite courses with a C or higher by end of summer session preceding fall nursing courses, with * courses less than 5 years old.

  Intro to Psychology
  College Algebra
  Anatomy & Physiology I (or Anatomy)**
  Anatomy & Physiology II (or Physiology)**
  Organic Chemistry**
  Microbiology**
  Nutrition
  Medical Terminology
  HCM 310 (prerequisite to HCM 340), Healthcare Services & the Consumer

  All University Core Curriculum (UCC) must be complete

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- Nursing applicants are placed in an applicant pool and ranked based on HESI-Admission Assessment score. The School of Health Sciences notifies students once they are accepted to the Nursing Program. The selection process begins in the first week of December annually. Permission from the Illinois State Board of Nursing allows for up to 50 students to begin each cohort annually.

RN to BSN applicants:

- Submit an undergraduate application to SIUC at admissions.siu.edu/apply; select Nursing from the major drop-down box.
- Provide verification of current, unencumbered registered nurse license.