

PROFESSIONAL NURSING SEQUENCE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

09/20

	DIRECT ADMISSION	HOLISTIC ADMISSION
HIGH SCHOOL	General Requirements for Both Admission Processes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One year of chemistry, or equivalency, with grade of C or better • Two years of algebra, or equivalency, with grades of C or better <p>Test scores will not be used to determine placement for incoming freshmen for spring 2021, fall 2021, and spring 2022. Because of the difficulties of accessing standardized exams and testing centers, and the already strong predictive ability of high school grade point averages, placement into the direct or holistic admissions tracks will be test-blind for these cohorts.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.65 GPA minimum <p>Students meeting this minimum threshold and passing their nursing prerequisites below will be guaranteed a fall or spring sophomore year professional sequence start.</p> <p>Feb. 1 Priority Deadline.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High school rank in the 50th percentile or higher—if no class rank, applicant must have a minimum high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale <p>Students meeting this minimum threshold will be admitted to the nursing major and will then have the opportunity to apply for the nursing professional sequence via a holistic process. This professional sequence application is typically done near the end of the freshman year.</p> <p>Students not meeting one of the minimum requirements above, may be admitted to Viterbo as a pre-nursing student to complete preparatory work. Upon successful completion of preparatory work, pre-nursing students will be admitted into the nursing major and follow the same processes and subsequent holistic application for the professional sequence.</p>
FRESHMAN YEAR	Freshman Nursing Prerequisite Coursework	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENGL 103 or ENGL 105 or ENGL 195 • CHEM 120 and CHEM 121 or CHEM 106 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSYC 171 • SOCL 125 • BIOL 104 and BIOL 114
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must achieve grades of BC or higher for all nursing prerequisites • Must maintain full-time enrollment • Must maintain minimum 3.0 overall GPA • Must affirm interest in entering the professional nursing sequence and preferred semester start (fall or spring) by May 1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must achieve grades of C or higher for chemistry and biology nursing prerequisites • Must maintain minimum 2.75 overall GPA • Must apply for nursing cohort by May 1 to be holistically reviewed for a fall semester professional sequence start. (For spring semester professional sequence starts, the deadline to apply is Dec. 1.)
Requirements* to be completed before beginning the nursing professional sequence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPR for Professionals card from the American Heart Association – BLS for Health Care Providers • Current documentation of state CNA certification (any state) • Nursing physical form • Criminal background check • Nursing math test through the Academic Resource Center <p><small>*Specific requirements may change based on regulatory, licensing, and/or certification needs.</small></p>		



Additional Information on Holistic Admission

The Nursing Admission Committee reviews student records after the posting of current semester grades. The committee will admit the most qualified students based on a holistic review of items that may include cumulative GPA, cumulative GPA in prerequisite courses, science GPA, previous academic records, interview, essay, or other supplemental items.

Entrance is competitive. Capacity for professional sequence enrollment is 125 new fall semester starts and 75 new spring semester starts. If a Viterbo student were ever to be denied admission into the professional sequence based on capacity limits, a spot would be guaranteed for them the following term, provided that they remain enrolled full-time and maintain the academic criteria noted above.