Information on the Biology/Pre-nursing Program and Application

Please read before applying to the Biology/Nursing Program

Florida Memorial University **does not** offer a Bachelors degree in Nursing. FMU **does** have a partnership with the University of Miami and Florida International University in nursing. Students that wish to be a part of either partnership program **must apply** for admission. These programs are competitive and students must meet all requirements to be in the program. **International** students who decide to participate in the program will not receive the financial benefits associated with the program at the participating nursing schools, and are responsible for all financial obligations at the partnering institutions. Only five students each semester may transfer based on the established MOAs that exist between FMU and each partnering institution.

These students will be eligible for any financial benefits that are associated with the program. For example, students under this program who transfer to UM often receive a tuition break. Students pay FMU tuition rates instead of the UM tuition rates. Students who transfer under the program do not have to compete with all other transfer students in these nursing programs if they are among the top five in the transfer group from FMU.

Students **cannot declare** themselves Biology/Nursing majors without being accepted officially into the program. We **do not have a nursing major** currently at FMU and therefore students are pre-nursing students at FMU. Students must meet with the Biology/Nursing advisor for advisement or jeopardize their place or acceptance in the program.

To be **eligible immediately** for this program, the student must meet three of the following requirements to apply.

1. High school or transfer GPA of 3.3 or higher.

2. SAT score of 1000 or higher or ACT score of 21 or higher. If the student has not taken either exam, he/she must take the College Placement Test (CPT). The student will not be eligible to apply to the Biology/Pre-nursing program until he/she has completed all remedial classes with a satisfactory grade (A – B).

3. No remedial/developmental courses. This requirement may be waived if grades are a B or higher. If student is a freshman, he/she **cannot apply** to the Biology/Pre-nursing program until after he/she has taken all remedial courses and passed them **(B or higher).**

4. If transferring, the student **cannot apply** if there are multiple repeats of (science and mathematics) classes. If there is only one repeat, it may be waived if it does not count toward the prerequisite classes for the pre-nursing program. Any transfer student accepted into the Biology/Pre-nursing program must maintain the GPA requirement each semester to stay in the program. The GPA requirement is dependent on the nursing school of choice (FIU and UM is cumulative of a 3.5 or higher, 3.3 pre-requisite requirement).

APPLICATION FORM

Before applying to the Biology/Pre-nursing program, answer the following questions below. Circle the appropriate answer to each question.

Pre-application Questionnaire

In coming first year student:

1. High school GPA 3.3 or higher?   YES   NO

    If no, then you are not eligible for this program.

2. SAT   score 1000 or higher or ACT score 21 or higher?   YES   NO

    If no, then you are not eligible for this program at this time.

3. Have you taken the entrance exam?   YES   NO

4. Based on the entrance exam, do you have to take remedial/developmental courses?

                                                             YES   NO

    If yes, then this invalidates entrance into program.

Transfer or current student:

1. Transfer or current GPA 3.5 or higher   YES   NO

    If no, then this invalidates entrance into program.

2. Have you taken remedial classes?   YES   NO

3. Have you earned a B or higher in the remedial classes?   YES   NO

    If no, then this invalidates entrance into program.

4. Have you repeated classes?   YES   NO

    If you have repeated a class more than once, you are not eligible for this program.

    If you have repeated more than one class, you are not eligible for this program.

If you are eligible for this program, please fill out the application below.

Application for Admissions into the Biology/Pre-nursing Program

Applicant Information (Please Print Clearly)

Term/Year of Entrance	Location Main Campus ☐	☐
Name (Last, First, Middle)		
Street Address	City	State
		Zip
Home Phone ( )	Alternative Phone ( )	
Email		
Application Status ☐ First Time/Freshmen ☐ Transfer ☐ Second semester/Sophomore ☐ Other		
Status ☐ United States Citizen ☐ Resident ☐ International		

Program requirements: Answer the following questions that are related to your application status. Please provide the information requested. The documentation verifying your answers must be provided when the application is returned. If the documentation is not provided, this will delay acceptance into the program or you will not be accepted into the program.

Part B. First Time/Incoming Freshmen
Did you take the SAT or ACT?   Yes   No
If yes, please answer the question that pertains to the one you took.
    1. Is your SAT score 1000 or higher?   Yes   No   Score: _____
    2. Is your ACT score 21 or higher?   Yes   No   Score: _____

Please answer the following questions that pertain to you currently.

1. Are you scheduled to take the CPT?   Yes   No
1a. If the CPT was taken, what classes were you placed in?

2. Are you currently taking a developmental/remedial class?   Yes   No
2a. If so, what are they?

3. Have you taken developmental/remedial classes?   Yes   No
3a. If so, what were they and what was your grade for each class?

Part C. Second semester or Sophomore

1. Have you taken MAT 111?   Yes   No
1a. What was the grade earned?   _____

2. Are you currently taking a developmental/remedial class?   Yes   No
2a. If so what are they?

3. Have you taken developmental/remedial classes?   Yes   No
3a. If so what were they and what was your grade for each class?

Part D. Transfer Student

Do you have an associate's degree?   Yes   No

If you have an associate's degree what was your GPA?   _____

If you do not have an associate's degree, what was your GPA from your previous institution?   _____

Have you repeated any classes?   Yes   No
If so, what were they?

Reminder: If you have earned a C or lower in your remedial classes or have repeated a number of classes, you are not eligible for this program at all.

Part E. Background Information

In order to make sure students will be accepted at the participating nursing school students must be aware that a background check will be done by the participating school. Please answer the following question.

Have you ever been convicted of a felon?   Yes   No

Part F. Essay

Please write an essay on why you want to be a nurse, what your career goals are, and why earning degrees in Biology and Nursing would be beneficial. Please attach the essay to the back of the application. The essay should be 12 font, 1.5 spacing, typed, and no more than two pages.

Part G. Letter(s) of recommendation

Please provide two letters of recommendation. These letters can be from a high school or college professor. These letters must address your commitment to becoming a nurse; your academic abilities; and your overall personality (qualities that will help you do well in this program and become a good nurse). Make sure the letters are in sealed envelopes and provided with the application package.

Part H. Please attach your most current transcript. Documentation showing scores must be submitted with the application.

Please sign below, agreeing that everything that has been provided, to the best of your knowledge, is correct.

The information I have provided on and for this application is correct and if any information is notcorrect, I am aware that I may not be accepted into the program.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____