

Frequently Asked Questions

What do I need to do to apply for the Nursing Program

Start by setting up an appointment with the Nursing Program Advisor, Tracy Owen at tracyb@unm.edu or calling 505-925-8915. She will meet with you to identify courses you need and what the entrance requirements are.

Go to the UNM Valencia Nursing Website at <http://valencia.unm.edu/academics/divisions/nursing/index.html> for information related to the program.

When do you admit students and how many?

16 Students per year are admitted to begin their program in the Fall semester. Applications are taken in the Spring and are due by 5 pm on April 30th. . See the application information page on the website.

My application is in. What's next?

Qualified applicants are scored (see the score sheet on the website). The Selection and Progression committee meets the end of May to review all applicants, their scores, and make the selection of 16 students. All completed applications are reviewed equally and the process is competitive. It is not a first-come-first serve process. Applicants are notified via letter of acceptance, alternate status, or non-selection by mid-June.

If I plan to complete my pre-requisite courses in the Summer, can I still apply in the Spring semester of that year?

Pre-requisite courses may be completed during the Spring semester and grades must be posted by the date of the Selection and Progression committee meeting. Courses may not be completed during the summer session of the application cycle year for Fall entry.

If I have attended another school, will my credits transfer?

The Nursing Program Advisor, Tracy Owen, is able to review your transcripts and determine which courses transfer and which may not. She will consult with the Nursing Program Director for those courses that are in question.

Can I work while I am in the Nursing Program?

The program is rigorous and you may or may not be able to handle both school and work. Although the course schedule will list your class days, it will not list your clinical and lab times. Those are determined each semester through collaboration with our clinical partners. Classes and clinical experiences are not scheduled around individual work schedules.

Where can I find more information about the program?

You may review the Student Handbook posted on the website. You may also contact the department at 505-925-8870.