Students must meet the following requirements to apply to the nursing major.

1. Submit a formal application to the Orvis School of Nursing by the date specified by the Admissions, Progression and Student Affairs (APSA) committee. No more than 13 prerequisite credits can be during the application period. No more than one science course (4 credits) may be taken in the application period.

2. Earn at least a 'C' grade in all prerequisite courses. The grade-point average earned in selected prerequisite courses is used, in part, to determine which students are selected to the upper-division nursing major.

3. Complete all prerequisite course requirements for the major by the end of spring semester for fall admission and by the end of fall semester for spring admission to the nursing major. Any repeated course must have a letter grade posted to the student’s transcript. A student may not apply to the nursing major while enrolled in a course that has previously received a mark of withdraw, incomplete, audit, or grade less than C.

4. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 in selected pre-nursing courses to qualify for application to the upper-division nursing major.
   a. BIOL 223 A/L (Anatomy & Physiology I)
   b. BIOL 224 A/L (Anatomy & Physiology II)
   c. BIOL 251 (Microbiology)
   d. CHEM 121 A/L (General Chemistry)
   e. CHEM 220 A/L (Organic Chemistry)
   f. MATH ≥ 126 (Pre-Calculus)
   g. NUTR 223 (Principles of Nutrition)
   h. HDFS 201 (Lifespan Human Development)
   i. Communication (Several Options)
   j. Behavioral Science Elective (Several Options)

5. All prerequisite courses must be taken for a grade (not S/U). Transfer credits taken for S/U credit from an institution that does not offer letter grades are evaluated on an individual basis.

6. Students must have completed the OSN HESI A2 exam. Preference will be given with scores equal to or greater than 80% on Anatomy & Physiology, 80% on Math, 75% on Reading, and 75% on Grammar. The HESI A2 exam may be taken one time per application cycle with a maximum of three total attempts. The most recent attempt will be used for each application cycle.

7. The Orvis School of Nursing actively supports the University of Nevada, Reno's policies that ensure equal opportunity/affirmative action and diversity.

Effective 1/22/2019
Preliminary Program Application Process

1. Applications are reviewed by the Undergraduate Program Officer, the Associate Dean of Undergraduate programs, and the chair of the Admissions, Progressions, and Student Affairs committee.

2. Applications that do not meet minimum requirements will not be considered. The applicant will receive a letter stating the reason(s) the application was not reviewed.

3. Applications that meet minimum requirements will be evaluated through a point-based matrix (see below).

4. Applicants will be ranked from highest to lowest based on the application matrix. Applicants with the top 64 matrix scores will be offered provisional admission to the OSN pre-licensure program.

5. In the event of a tie, the tie-breaking candidate will be selected using the following criteria in order of preference:
   a. Military veteran or active duty military
   b. Nevada high school graduate
   c. HESI Cumulative Score
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