



Cleveland State University  
College of Education and Human Services  
School of Nursing

### **Freshman-Entry Pathway to Nursing**

The freshman-entry pathway is a program that admits a selective, highly qualified group of first time freshman attending CSU to be enrolled as freshman into the BSN major. These students take the same courses and follow the same curriculum plan as our current BSN majors and pre-majors. This program provides students the opportunity to be recognized as nursing majors while they are enrolled in their first year of non-nursing courses and these students are not required to re-apply to the School of Nursing for entrance into the major for their sophomore year courses.

The number of available spaces into the Freshman-Entry Pathway is limited. Admission requirements include:

1. First-time freshman
2. Minimum of 3.0 GPA in high school, with grades of B or better in biology and chemistry
3. 13 core units of college preparatory classes, including biology with lab, chemistry with lab.
4. Two School of Nursing Freshman-entry reference forms completed by a high-school counselor or teacher.
5. Application to the School of Nursing. Application deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup> during the high school senior year.
6. Scores of 20 or above on ACT; 950 or above on SAT

While CSU has a rolling admission policy, freshman entry students must apply by November 15 during the high school senior year.

For additional information, visit our website at <http://www.csuohio.edu/cehs/departments/nursing>.

Thank you again for your interest in Cleveland State University, and I wish you the best of luck with your studies.

Sincerely,

*Nursing Recruiter/Advisor*

Nursing Recruiter/Advisor



Mailing Address: 2121 Euclid Avenue, RT 915 · Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2214  
Campus Location: Rhodes Tower, Room 915 · 1860 East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street · Cleveland, Ohio  
(216) 687-3598 · Fax (216) 687-3556

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES  
SCHOOL OF NURSING  
FRESHMAN ENTRY PATHWAY INTO NURSING PROGRAM  
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

**Minimum Requirements for Freshman Entry Pathway into Nursing Program**

1. First-time Freshman. Apply to Cleveland State University, College of Education and Human Services. Contact Campus411 at (216) 687-5411 or apply online at [www.csuohio.edu](http://www.csuohio.edu).
2. Minimum of 3.0 GPA in high school, with grades of B or better in biology and chemistry.
3. 13 core units of college preparatory classes, including biology with lab, chemistry with lab.
4. Two School of Nursing Freshman Entry Pathway reference forms completed by a high school teacher, counselor or coach.
5. Application to the School of Nursing. Application deadline is November 15<sup>th</sup> during the high school senior year.
6. Scores of 20 or above on ACT; 950 above on SAT.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

**Telephone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CSU I.D. Number** (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**Citizenship:** \_\_\_ U.S. \_\_\_ Other **Ohio Resident for past 5 years?** \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

**I am applying for Freshman Entry Pathway into Nursing Program:**

Fall 20\_\_\_\_ Track

The following questions bear upon your ability to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become a registered nurse in the State of Ohio. The answers to these questions are not utilized to determine admission to the Nursing Program. Should you be admitted to the Nursing Program and you have answered "yes" to any of the questions, you will be advised of additional procedures. Please answer each question.

1. Have you ever been convicted, adjudged guilty by a court, pled guilty or pled no contest to any felony? \_\_\_Y \_\_\_N
2. Have you ever been convicted, adjudged guilty by a court, pled guilty or pled no contest to any misdemeanor resulting from or related to the use of drugs? \_\_\_Y \_\_\_N
3. Has any State Board of Nursing denied you licensure or admission to a licensure examination? \_\_\_Y \_\_\_N
4. Have you ever received a reprimand, been placed on probation, or has your professional license been suspended or revoked? \_\_\_Y \_\_\_N

I certify that the information provided herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that it is my sole responsibility to provide the School of Nursing with all required application materials and fulfill all requirements necessary for admission. In signing below, I also give permission for the School of Nursing Faculty to call my immediate work supervisor for a reference if applicable.

Signature

Date



<b>Sensitivity To Others</b> - Is alert to and considerate of needs of others .....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Intellectual Ability</b>						
<b>Intellectual Curiosity</b> - Raises meaningful questions and seeks answers.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Innovativeness</b> - Moves beyond the obvious situations. ....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Decision Making Ability</b> - Considers alternatives and consequences and takes action on decisions.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Problem Solving Ability</b> - Uses a systematic approach to the identification and solution of intellectual problems.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Student Characteristics/Work Habits</b>						
<b>Reliability</b> - Follows through on commitments. ....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Accountability</b> - Accepts responsibility for own decisions and actions.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Integrity</b> - Functions on the basis of accepted ethical standards. ....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Flexibility</b> - Changes or modifies behavior when appropriate.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Self-Direction</b> - Plans and executes actions independently. ....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Toleration of Ambiguity</b> - Functions without a rigidly defined, externally imposed structure.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Self-Confidence</b> - Carries out actions with assuredness.....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Realistic Self-Concept</b> - Sets expectations for self congruent with own capabilities. ....	1	2	3	4	5	N

Please include additional comments below:

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***To be completed by the person serving as a reference:***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

I have known student from: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Capacity in which you know applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a relative of the applicant?    No    Yes, relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for taking the time to complete this reference. Please return it to:

School of Nursing  
**Attn: Early Admission References**  
Cleveland State University  
2121 Euclid Avenue, RT 915  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2214



CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Recommendation Form for Freshman Entry Pathway into Nursing Program Applicants

To The Applicant:

Complete the following items on this form and forward it directly to a teacher, counselor, or coach. The person making your recommendation should not be a relative or someone who is not familiar with your academic work. To expedite the processing of your application, you may wish to provide the respondent with a pre-addressed envelope. All recommendation forms must be returned to the school of nursing in a sealed envelope.

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) (First) (Middle or Maiden)

CSU ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Privacy Act-Statement on Confidentiality of Recommendation:

- I desire that this recommendation be accessible to me after final admission and matriculation under the provisions of the Family Privacy Act.
I desire that this recommendation be considered as confidential and hereby waive my right of access to this form following final admission and matriculation.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

To The Respondent:

The above named person has made application for early admission to a program of study leading to the BSN degree at Cleveland State University, and is requesting you to serve as a reference. Please comment on the following.

Circle the number (using the following scale) that represents the applicant's demonstration of the quality in relation to others with whom you have worked/supervised.

Scale table with columns: 1 Below Average (below 40%), 2 Average (between 40% - 60%), 3 Above Average (within top 60%), 4 Excellent (within top 25%), 5 Outstanding (top 10% of those with whom I have worked), N Not Observed

Ability to work with others

Table with 6 columns (1-5-N) and 4 rows: Communication (writing and speaking), Cooperation, Work With Others, Work Under Stress

<b>Sensitivity To Others</b> - Is alert to and considerate of needs of others .....	1	2	3	4	5	N
<b>Intellectual Ability</b>						
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