DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SCIENCES

AAS Program Application Information

The Associate of Applied Science Program in Nursing (AAS) at Colorado Mesa University (CMU) employs a holistic approach to the application process. Step one of the process includes assigning a score for grade point average (GPA) of all AAS prerequisite courses and personal criteria. Personal criteria includes 1) licensure/certification in specific health-related occupations, and 2) the percentage of prerequisite courses taken at CMU. Top scorers are invited to interview for one of up to 20 available seats. Applications are accepted every other year. The deadline for application is 5:00 PM MST on January 15. The following criteria must be met for an application to be accepted.

Criteria:

- Completed application and all supporting documents **must be submitted** by the deadline.
- Incomplete applications **will not** be accepted.
- A minimum of 3.0 GPA in nursing prerequisite courses is required.
- All AAS prerequisite classes must be completed or in progress (IP) to apply.
- If a student is accepted to the program and fails an IP course, the student will need to reapply for the program.
- Top applicants will be **invited _for an interview_** based on the total number of points accumulated for GPA and personal criteria (Colorado western slope counties, current license in specific health care field and for completing 50% of prerequisites at CMU).
- Applicants will be **_invited for admission to the AAS program_** based on the total number of points accumulated from GPA, personal criteria, and interview.

Category	Description	Total Points Possible
GPA	Points awarded based on GPA of all prerequisite classes. _A one-point deduction will result for each science course (BIOL 209/209L, 210/210L, 241) repeated due to receiving a grade of D or F (e.g., if a course is repeated twice, it is a 2-point deduction)._	**65**
Personal Criteria	**2 points** for residing within the Western slope Colorado counties **1.5 points** for holding a license as a CNA, EMT, MA, or Paramedic. Must provide copy of certification/licensure. **1.5 points** for completing a minimum of 15 credits of required AAS prerequisite courses at CMU.	**5**
Interview	Points accumulated during the interview.	**30**
Total Points Accumulated		**100**

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