tBSN Program Application Information

The traditional BSN Program (tBSN) 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 tBSN prerequisite courses and personal criteria. Personal criteria include (1) location of high school attended; member of one of the Ute Tribes; location of permanent residency, (2) licensure in specific health-related occupations, and (3) the percentage of prerequisite courses taken at CMU. Top scorers are invited to interview for one of up to 50 available seats. Applications are accepted twice per year. The deadline for application is 5:00 PM MST on January 15 and August 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 tBSN prerequisite courses is required.
- All tBSN 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 to the program.
- Top applicants will be **invited** *for an interview based* on the total number of points accumulated for GPA and personal criteria (high school attended/Ute Tribe member/permanent residency, current license in specific health care field, and for completing 50% of prerequisites at CMU).
- Applicants will be *invited for admission to the tBSN 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 BSNt prerequisite	
	courses.	65
	A one-point deduction will result for each science	
	course (BIOL 209/209L, 210/210L, 241, 250/250L)	
	repeated due to receiving a grade of D or F.	
Personal	2 points for graduating from a high school within the	5
Criteria	western Colorado boundary; being a member of the	
	Southern Ute Tribe, Mountain Ute tribe or Uinatah-	
	Ouray Tribe; permanent residency within the western	
	Colorado boundary.	
	1.5 points for holding a license as a CNA, EMT, MA, or	
	Paramedic. Must provide copy of licensure.	
	1.5 points for completing a minimum of 28 credits of	
	required BSNt prerequisite courses at CMU.	
Interview	Points accumulated during the interview.	30
Total Points Accumulated		100

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