Colorado Mesa University
Department of Health Sciences

Practical Nurse (PN) Program Application – Eligibility Criteria

1. Must have overall Kaplan score of 65 or higher
2. Must have pre-requisite GPA of at least a 3.0
3. Important criteria that the PN Admissions Committee reviews to determine interview eligibility for applicants include: GPA of the required PN program pre-requisites, science courses GPA (BIOL 209/209L, 210/210L, 241), and medical certification/work experience (if applicable). For medical certifications/work experience, C.N.A. or EMT medical certifications ONLY are eligible for extra points during the application process.
4. Those applicants chosen for an interview are the top candidates among those who have applied for that application period, and have scored the highest in #1, #2 and #3 above.
5. Incomplete applications are not considered; all application materials must be submitted by the posted deadline or that application will be incomplete and not considered for that year’s cohort.

PLEASE NOTE: if applicants have Kaplan math and Kaplan science scores that are each lower than 75, it is unlikely that they will progress in the interview process.

Applicants with employment of 6 months or more as a C.N.A. or an EMT can submit proof documents to have additional points added to their application. Proof document examples: employer pay stub, letter from employer on official letterhead.

The above criteria and the PN Application Checklist are intended to help you applicants plan their application and guide them through the application process.

This sheet is an informational guide about eligibility requirements for applicants to the PN program. Applicants should make sure they have the most up-to-date sheet when planning their application.

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