High School Direct Entry Nursing Program (HSDEN)

BS in Nursing

General Information

Thank you for your interest in UH Mānoa’s High School Direct Entry Nursing Program (HSDEN). The HSDEN is for Hawai‘i high school seniors who are strongly considering a career in nursing. There are 2 ways to enter Mānoa’s nursing program and this option provides direct entry upon admission to the campus.

Application Deadlines:

Fall Admission Only: January 2nd (Received date)

*Any application not fully received by the established deadline will not be eligible for admission in that term.

Minimum Application Requirements:

Minimum Exam Scores:

• SAT: Critical Reading – 510 and Math – 510
  OR
• ACT: Reading – 22 and Math – 22

Minimum cumulative grade point average at the end of the Junior year: 3.0

Admitted to the Manoa campus (designated “NURSING” major)

How the program works:

Student admitted to the HSDEN program will be given reserved seating in a cohort-based learning community of 14-17 credits that facilitates the necessary coursework to begin nursing courses and graduate in 4 years. Seats in the learning community are reserved for these students. Within the learning community, there is an integrating seminar that allows you to keep in contact with advising resources and the Nursing Department. Students are allowed to add coursework to their learning community, but not omit. After successful completion (completion of C or better) of your first year of coursework, students are automatically admitted to the nursing curriculum. HS-DEN students are exempt from the Pre-Admissions Exam that is required of traditional applicants.

Continuation Criteria

In order to retain status as a Direct Entry Nursing Program student, the following conditions must be met:

• Minimum GPA of 2.5 in all college-level coursework
• Minimum grade of C (not C-) in all prerequisite coursework

*Note: automatic admission will not be deferred to a later semester than sequenced. Students wanting to begin the nursing program at a later time will be subject to the regular admissions requirements.

Alternative to the HSDEN Program:

If a student is interested in the nursing program but is not eligible for the HSDEN program, attendance at one of the Informational Sessions put on by the Office of Student Services for the School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene is highly encouraged. During the Informational Session, the application process and requirements are discussed in detail to assist interested students in the process. Informational Session dates and times are posted on www.nursing.hawaii.edu for your viewing.

Application Checklist:

All application materials must be received by the said deadline.

Any applications with outstanding components after the posted deadline will be considered late and will not be considered.

1. University of Hawai‘i System Application Form (with appropriate documents & fees);
2. Official SAT or ACT scores;
3. Submit above items to:

    University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa
    Office of Admissions
    2600 Campus Road, Room 001
    Honolulu, HI 96822
    Phone: (808) 956-8975

4. Submit the High School Direct Entry into Nursing program application via NursingCAS (http://www.nursingcas.org/)

School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene
Office of Student Services