• **All applicants for a Health Professions Program must meet the requirements listed below for consideration.** This includes students who were originally grandfathered into the former admissions requirements.

• Priority in admission to all Health Professions Programs goes to students who have attended Orange County Community College and who are legal Orange County residents. Current enrollment is not required for consideration.

• Meeting the Admissions requirements for a Health Professions Program does not guarantee admission into the program due to a limited number of seats in each program.

• All admission requirements must be in and/or complete by the deadline date for priority consideration—**February 1st.**

### New Applicants:

**Step 1:** Submit Application for Admission along with $30 fee.

**Step 2:** Send in official high school, GED, college or other school transcripts to the Admissions Office.

**Step 3:** Take our Course Placement Assessment in Reading, Writing and Math. If you have taken a college Math and/or English course with a 2.0 or better grade you may apply for a waiver. For more information regarding the Assessment, please visit our website at [http://www.sunyorange.edu/counseling/assessment.shtml](http://www.sunyorange.edu/counseling/assessment.shtml).

**Step 4:** Once you apply to the college, you will receive an Admissions packet containing a Health Professions Admissions Eligibility Form. The packet will also include a flyer listing dates, times and locations for the department specific required pre-admission orientations. Bring admission eligibility forms to pre-admission orientation and submit to department representative. Pre-admission orientation dates and locations can also be found at the website listed above.

**Step 5:** For Dental Hygiene, Occupational Therapy Assistant, and Physical Therapist Assistant applicants only - Find the enclosed form for the required documentation of clinical observation. Bring completed and signed form with essay (essay for OTA and PTA only) to your pre-admissions orientation.

### SUNY Orange Students:

SUNY Orange students must meet all Academic and Department Specific eligibility requirements for admissions consideration. **A new Admissions Eligibility Form must be submitted each year before the February 1st deadline for consideration into your program of choice.** Eligibility forms for 2009 will be available in the Admissions Office starting in July 2008 for students to pick up.

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**Important Note for both New and Continuing Students:**

In addition to application to the college, students must apply for admission into the Health Professions programs through the Admissions Office. Admission to all Health Professions programs is competitive. **Students are considered for admission into the programs based on the completion of all mandatory academic and department specific requirements (see selection process).** All requirements must be completed before February 1st in order for a student to be given priority consideration for admission into the program for the fall semester.
The Associate Degree Nursing program provides for the development of those competencies expected of registered nurses at the technical level. Emphasis is on direct patient care. Our Nursing graduates are currently employed in hospitals, doctor’s offices, medical centers, nursing homes, schools, private patient care and private industry. Students who are already LPN’s should contact the Admissions Office about the requirements and application deadlines as they are different from those listed below.

### Program Facts about Nursing
- The Nursing program was established in 1952.
- The first associates degree Nursing program in the nation to be established at a community college.
- Professional nursing courses are scheduled both day and evening hours.
- The college accepts 96 day and 32 evening students into the Nursing program each Fall semester.
- Over the past several years approximately 90% have passed the National Council Licensure Examination.
- This program has articulation agreements with Mt. St. Mary College, The Sages, NYU, Dominican College, SUNY New Paltz and Pace University.
- Evening Nursing Program students may not take more than 11.5 credits per semester once they start the program.

### Admissions Requirements

#### Academic Requirements:
- High school diploma or GED.
- Eligible to take Freshman English I (ENG 101).
- Eligible to take Intermediate Algebra (MAT 102), or have completed Elementary Algebra (MAT 101) or equivalent with a 2.0 or higher.
- Completed High School AP Biology (score of 3, 4, or 5); Intro to Biology (BIO 110); General Biology (BIO 101- prior to Spring 2008); or Anatomy & Physiology I (BIO 111), with a grade of 2.0 or better. (Within 5 years of program entry).
- Students must attain a minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.5.

#### Department Specific Requirements:
- Attendance at a pre-admission orientation. At this orientation, students will receive and sign off on information pertaining to health forms, program standards, CPR certification, and criminal record & drug screening policies.
- Applicants for the Nursing program will be required to take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). Students may be required to take remedial courses in Nursing based on test results. Test times will be announced.
- The Nursing Department will review transcripts of those students who have been enrolled in a nursing program at SUNY Orange or another college.

### Selection Process
Students will be considered for admission into this program based on the completion of all mandatory eligibility requirements, highest combination of Cumulative GPA and credits completed towards the program (listed below), Orange County residency, and seats available. Students must meet all of the above requirements to be considered for admission into the program.

### All Nursing Admissions Eligibility Requirements must be completed before February 1st in order for a student to be given priority consideration for admission into the program for the fall semester.

*Though not admissions requirements, completing the courses below may enhance your eligibility (34 credits)*: Please be aware that if you have not taken the course within the timeframe listed below, or you received a grade lower than a 2.0 in any of the science courses below, you must retake the course.

- **ENG 101** Freshman English I (3 cr.)
- **ENG 102** Freshman English II (3 cr.)
- **PSY 100** Psychology of Adjustment (3 cr.) – must have been completed within 10 yrs of program entry
- --- **Social Sci. Elective** (3 cr.) – any social science other than psychology
- **BIO 111** Anatomy and Physiology I (4 cr.) – must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
- **BIO 112** Anatomy and Physiology II (4 cr.) – must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
- **CHM 120** Elements of Chemistry and Physics (3 cr.) – must have been completed within 10 yrs of program entry
- **MLT 106** Microbiology for the Health Professions (3 cr.) – must have been completed within 5 yrs of program entry
- **Elective** (3 cr.)
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- **PES 100** Concepts of Physical Wellness (1 cr.)
- **PES ---** Physical Ed. (Activity Course) (.5 cr.)
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Important Notes Regarding the Health Professions at SUNY Orange

- Number of Seats Available in Each Program:
  
  Dental Hygiene: 20
  Medical Laboratory Technology: 18
  Nursing (Day): 96
  Nursing (Evening): 32
  Occupational Therapy Assistant: 24
  Physical Therapist Assistant: 24
  Radiologic Technology: 24

- All Health Professions Programs are two year sequences. As a result, the length of the program will be two years from the fall in which you are accepted.

- All clinical and professional courses in the Health Professions Programs meet during the day with the exception of Evening Nursing (4-10pm).

- You may submit an Admissions Eligibility Form for one health program only. **If you are interested in Nursing, you must choose either Day or Evening Nursing.**

- Admissions requirements are subject to change each academic year. Please keep in contact with your academic advisor regularly in order to stay informed of possible revisions of admissions requirements. Students must submit an eligibility form each year they wish to be considered for admission.

- Please be aware that admission is not guaranteed as the number of eligible applicants often exceeds the number of available seats. **We encourage you to explore the possibility of other academic and career options.**

- All students accepted into a Health Professions program must successfully complete a physical examination which includes a Tuberculosis screening and 10 panel drug test. Information about this requirement will be distributed to students at the department orientation in the spring/summer after acceptance.

- Students who are applying for a second attempt in a Health Professions Program must submit a re-entry admission form available in the Admissions Office or at the website listed below.

For more information regarding the Health Professions or any other programs at SUNY Orange, please contact the Admissions Office at (845) 341-4030 or visit us on the web at http://www.sunyorange.edu/admissions/programs/healthreq.shtml.

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