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Policy Title: Undergraduate Admission

In the interest of admitting students who will be successful in the program, the following policies are implemented.

Admission Status – Applicants are considered for admission into the upper-division nursing program according to criteria specified in the following categories:

Full Admission

- a. Completion of all prerequisite courses (sixty semester hours).
- b. Minimum grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale in all prerequisite courses.
- c. A minimum grade of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for prerequisite science courses.
- d. A grade of “C” or better in each prerequisite taken at another accredited college or university.
- e. A minimum score of 550 (on the paper exam), 213 (on the computer-based exam) or 86 (on the internet-based exam) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam (if applicable).
- f. One official copy of the Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSIA) score (if applicable).
- g. A standardized entrance test is required for applicants to the basic nursing program.

Provisional Admission

Provisional admission may be granted to RN-BSN applicants who have not completed all the requirements for full admission. Each student is reviewed on an individual basis. Provisional admission may be granted at the discretion of the Baccalaureate Council only for RN-BSN applicants who have a deficiency of one or two prerequisite courses – excluding chemistry, anatomy and physiology I-II, microbiology and statistics. All other courses must be completed prior to admission.

In order to be removed from provisional admission, the student must complete all outstanding prerequisites with a minimum grade of “C” by the end of the second term. Students who fail to complete and submit evidence of completion of all requirements for full or conditional admission during the specified time period are not allowed to continue in the program.

Non-degree Admission

The non-degree category is designed for students who wish to take courses without seeking a degree. Permission must be obtained for enrollment in Undergraduate courses from the Bacallaureate Council. The student may apply for admission at any point during enrollment, but must complete the admission process and meet all criteria.

After full admission, the student may petition the Bacallaureate Council for a maximum of nine (9) semester hours of coursework with a grade of “C” or better to count toward their degree program.

Transient Students

The transient student category is designated for students who are enrolled and in good academic standing in another nursing program and who wish to enroll in selected courses at UTHealth Cizik School of Nursing. Permission must be obtained from the Bacallaureate Council for enrollment as a transient student. Transient student status may be obtained by providing:

- a. Written consent from the Dean at the parent institution.
- b. Written consent of the Instructor of the course at the UTHealth Cizik School of Nursing.
- c. Prerequisite Equivalents – Lower division course equivalency credit may be granted at the discretion of the Bacallaureate Council
- d. Eligibility – Any applicant who has attended another nursing program and is not in good standing and/or is not eligible to continue/return to that program will not be eligible for admission into the UTHealth Cizik School of Nursing.