

**University of South Dakota
Associate Degree Nursing Program**

Final Admission Criteria to Associate Degree Nursing

1. Unconditional admission to the University of South Dakota (i.e. student is not on probationary status).
2. Receipt of completed application for the USD Nursing Program to the specific USD Nursing campus (Vermillion, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Pierre, Watertown, Distance). If applying to more than one USD Nursing campus, a complete application must be submitted to each campus.
3. Application for the USD Nursing program must be received by the published deadlines. Applications received after the deadline will be considered on a space available basis.
4. A minimum of 2.7 cumulative GPA.
5. Testing is only completed at one campus.

After meeting all minimum requirements, applicants are rank-ordered using a point system based on:

1. Academic record
 - a. A grade of C or above is required in all general coursework
 - b. Students failing (D or F) or withdrawing from general courses receive a deduction in total points.
2. Assessment testing
3. Work experience in healthcare
4. References and written statement

Admission is competitive. The number of students admitted is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available. Applications to multiple campuses will be considered by the rank order noted on your application. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

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