Profile of Successful ABSN Applicants

The following statements should help applicants conceptualize the criteria in which Admission Committee looking for in a successful candidate. Reasons for not being accepted could be limited to one of the criteria and/or a combination of several factors. Application to ABSN is very competitive with the average GPA of accepted students being a 3.4. Some applicants maybe a good fit for the program but we simply do not have enough room for all the applicants.

1. Applicants should have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (includes all college level courses).
2. Applicants should have hand-on experience in the patient care setting. For example: CNA, EMT, PCT, CCE/Health Scholar, etc.
3. Applicants should have A’s and B’s in the science prerequisites.
4. Applicants should not have more than 2 (two) prerequisites in progress by the application deadline.
5. Applicants should not show many C’s, D’s, or F’s in regular college coursework.
6. Applicants should have minimal remedial work (retaking courses).
7. Applicants must show that they are willing to dedicate 15 months to an accelerated program.
8. Applicants should have a very teachable, flexible attitude regardless of their educational and/or professional background.
9. Applicants must show that they are a good fit for the program. If selected for an interview, applicants should be well prepared for the group interaction, questions, and essay components.
10. References should not only be positive but in depth with specific comments about the applicant’s capabilities in relation to nursing field and/or the program.
11. Statement of Intent should be articulate with correct grammar and should focus on the applicant’s interest and aptitude for the program, by answering all questions posed.
12. Applicants must be fluent in English with strong oral and written communication skills.
13. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure all application materials are received in the Admissions Office by the application deadline.