

Application for Direct Admission to the Nursing Major

Students intending to major in nursing at the time of application to St. Olaf College may be considered for direct admission to the nursing program as a first-year student. Direct admission as a first-year student is conditional, limited, and competitive.

Students seeking direct admission to the nursing program must complete an additional application to the program at the same time they submit an application to St. Olaf College.

Applications for the nursing program will be reviewed at the same time as your application for admission to St. Olaf College

[Direct Admission Login Link](#)

1. **Submit your application to the nursing program** along with your regular college application by:

Early Decision 1: November 15
Early Decision 2: January 6
Regular Decision: January 15

2. Students considered for direct admission to the nursing major will be contacted by the Nursing Department to schedule a virtual interview.
3. Students will be notified by the admissions office regarding admission decision to St. Olaf College and direct admission to the nursing major around the same time, according to the following schedule:

Early Decision 1: December 15
Early Decision 2: February 5
Regular Decision: March 15

Students directly admitted into the nursing program must meet the following criteria by the time they matriculate in the department's spring-semester, majors-only, 200-level classes:

1. A minimum of eleven (11) earned or transferred St. Olaf credits.
2. A minimum cumulative St. Olaf GPA of 2.85.
3. A minimum cumulative GPA in the major's prerequisite courses of 2.70. Only one (1) prerequisite course may be repeated for the purposes of meeting this requirement, and this course may be repeated only once. If a course is repeated, the final attempt's semester grade is the one of record for this purpose.

Conditional acceptance will become final at the end of the second year if the above criteria are met.

Should a student not meet these conditions, the student may reapply for admission to the nursing major the following year. Their application will be considered in the next pool of applicants but will not be given advantage or guaranteed admission.