

SACN Graduate Program Application Checklist

1. Applicants must first meet the following minimum requirements:

- ☐ A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale for undergraduate courses
 - ☐ For applicants who already have a graduate degree in nursing, a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in graduate-level courses
- ☐ Currently licensed as a Registered Nurse
- ☐ Successful completion of a baccalaureate degree in nursing OR successful completion of a baccalaureate degree in a major other than nursing and completion of the required nursing courses (N482, N484, N486, N488)
- ☐ Other requirements may apply if you have taken previous graduate nursing or professional health care courses, or if you have attended educational institutions outside of the United States. Contact admissions (GradAdmissions@sacn.edu) if you have questions.

2. If you meet the minimum requirements, you can apply! You will need the following documents in order to complete the [online application](#):

- ☐ A current resume
- ☐ A typed statement of professional, educational, and career goals. Statement should be 250-500 words. Include how completing this program at SACN aligns with your goals and how attaining these goals will enhance your professional practice.
- ☐ A copy of unencumbered RN license; APN license also if applicable

3. Once you submit the online application, make sure to complete the following steps:

- ☐ Pay the non-refundable application fee (\$75) – via personal check, in person, or by calling the Bursar's office using a debit/credit card (815-282-7900) Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30 pm.
- ☐ Submit three letters of intent from healthcare professionals prepared at the graduate level. **During the online application, you will be asked to provide the names and contact information of your evaluators.** Each evaluator will receive a secure link to complete and submit an electronic form on your behalf. It is suggested that at least one reference form should be from a collegiate level faculty member, preferably in the student's baccalaureate nursing or higher degree program. No personal references from family, peers, religious leaders, or friends will be accepted.
- ☐ Request official transcripts of all courses taken at postsecondary institutions be sent directly to Saint Anthony College of Nursing.
- ☐ Participate in an admissions interview with a faculty member; admissions will work to schedule this with you once you have submitted the rest of your application materials.
- ☐ If you have not already, complete at least one college-level statistics course; it is a pre-requisite to enrolling in the program's intermediate level statistics course (required for all programs except MSN Nurse Educator).

Remember to keep an eye out for email communications from Saint Anthony College of Nursing throughout the admissions process. Contact GradAdmissions@sacn.edu or 815-282-7900 with any questions. We look forward to receiving your application!