

**General Information on the 4-year
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Program
MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
"Orange Sheet"**

- The Department of Nursing admits **40 students once a year** to the BSN program. This number is set by the Missouri State Board of Nursing and is based upon an evaluation of the number of faculty and the clinical facilities we have available.
- Applications for the BSN program are due by 5:00 p.m. on January 31 of the year you plan to come into the program that summer. Only those students with a completed portfolio for admission are considered by the admissions committee (see checklist for application requirements).
- Admission to the BSN program is highly competitive due to the large number of qualified applicants. The primary criterion used for selection for admission to the BSN program is **combined cumulative grade point average (GPA)**. This includes all previous college course work.
- While the minimum *GPA* for application to the program is 2.75, the average *GPA* for students admitted to the program is much higher. The *GPA* of the applicant pool changes each year and we can not predict what the minimum *GPA* for admission will be in any year. Earning the minimum *GPA* of 2.75 **does not** guarantee admission.
- The Department of Nursing does maintain a waiting list of eligible students whose *GPA* ranks just below those selected for admission in any given year. Students on the waiting list are offered admission only if an admitted student declines the offer of admission.
- Students with a completed application portfolio who are not offered admission (including those on the waiting list) may re-apply in the following year. However, no advanced standing or guarantee of admission is offered to those who re-apply.

- The Admissions committee does **not** consider previous health care experience, letters of reference, essays, source of prerequisite courses, or interviews in the selection process.
- The Department of Nursing Faculty and Staff are here to help you. We want all students interested in a career in nursing to be successful. We also want students at Missouri State University to have a realistic understanding of the selectivity and limitations of our BSN program.
- Students interested in the BSN program in nursing at Missouri State University should make an appointment to discuss the program and its requirements with an advisor in this department each semester. All students interested in nursing should be prepared to apply to several schools of nursing in order to increase their chances of admission.

I have read and understand the above information regarding the application and selection process for the *Generic BSN Program* at Missouri State University.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____