



**OLYMPIC COLLEGE**

**Practical Nursing**

**Virtual Information Session**

# Admissions



January							February							March						
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- Application process is separate from the application to Olympic College
- Application is due August 31<sup>st</sup> each year
- 20 students admitted each year
- Starts in January
- 4 quarters in length (done in December)
- Receive a certificate of specialization
- Qualified to take NCLEX to become licensed practical nurse



# What do you need to apply?

- **Apply to Olympic College**
- **Complete Reading Comprehension Accuplacer**
- **Complete prerequisite and support courses**
- **Submit all official transcripts**
- **Complete and submit application**



# Get Ready!

ACCUPLACER, PREREQUISITES, TRANSFER CREDITS, COURSE  
REVIEWS

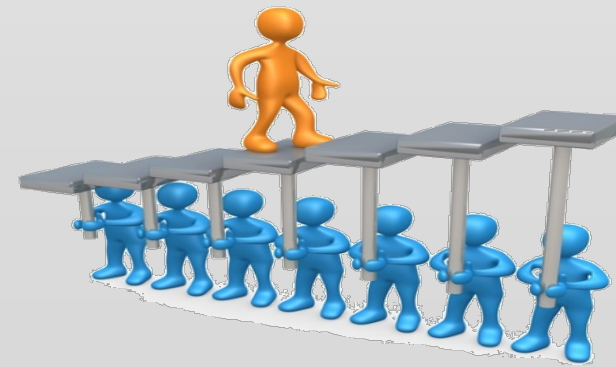
# The Accuplacer

## New to college?

- Take the entire Accuplacer!
  - Places you for Math and English classes
  - **You many need developmental classes. Build the foundation!**

## Done with prerequisites?

- Take the Reading Comprehension Accuplacer!
  - All applicants must take the Reading Comprehension part of the Accuplacer and submit scores with their application.
  - **Minimum score to apply = 260 (Next Generation Accuplacer)**



# Prerequisites

Prerequisites give you the knowledge base to make sense of the nursing curriculum.

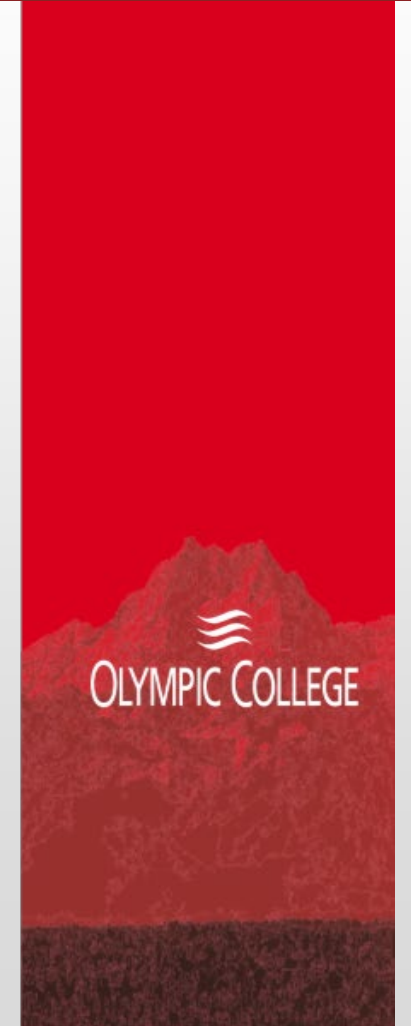
- **Must be complete by August 31<sup>st</sup>**
  - ENGL& 101 – Composition I
  - PSYC& 100 – Introduction to Psychology
  - BIOL& 241 – Anatomy and Physiology I
  - BIOL& 242 – Anatomy and Physiology II
- **Minimum 2.0 GPA required**



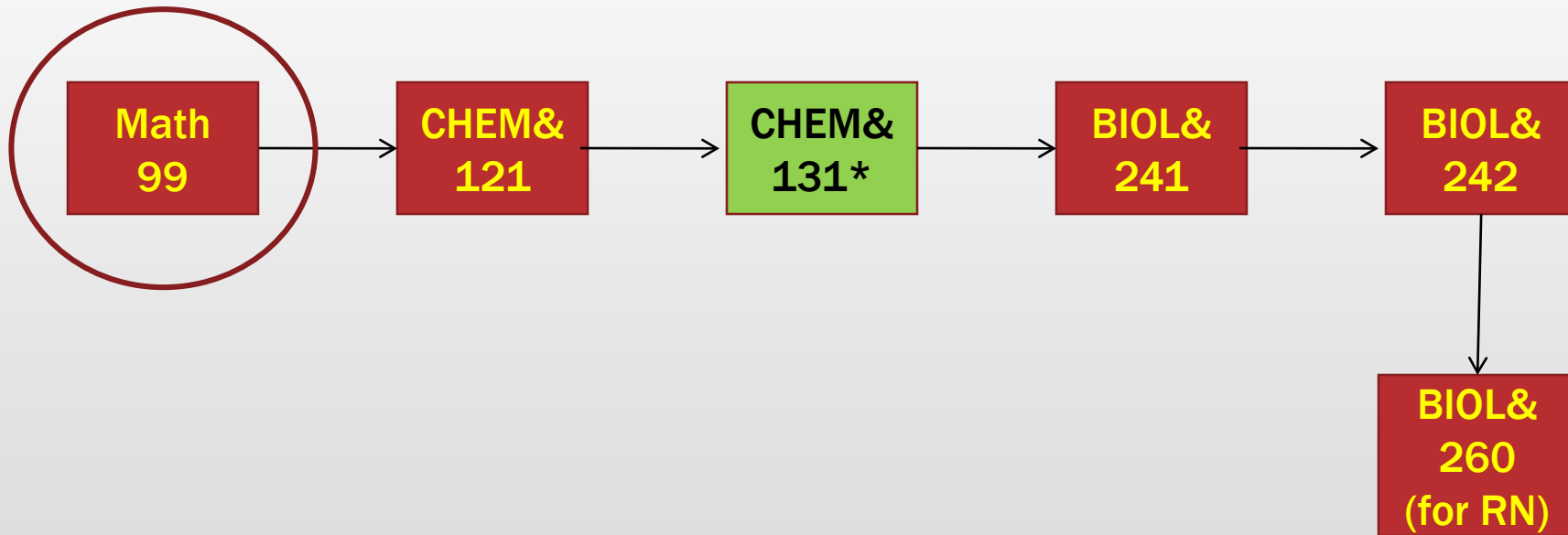
  
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# Required and Optional Classes

- **Required before you start the program**
  - NURSE 151 – Dosage Calculations (3.7 grade required)
  - NURSE 152 – Intro to Pharmacology (2.2 grade required)
- **Required by end of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter**
  - NURSE 118 (or NUTR& 101) – Nutrition
- **Optional Class**
  - ENGL& 102 – Composition II



# Completion plan for sciences at OC

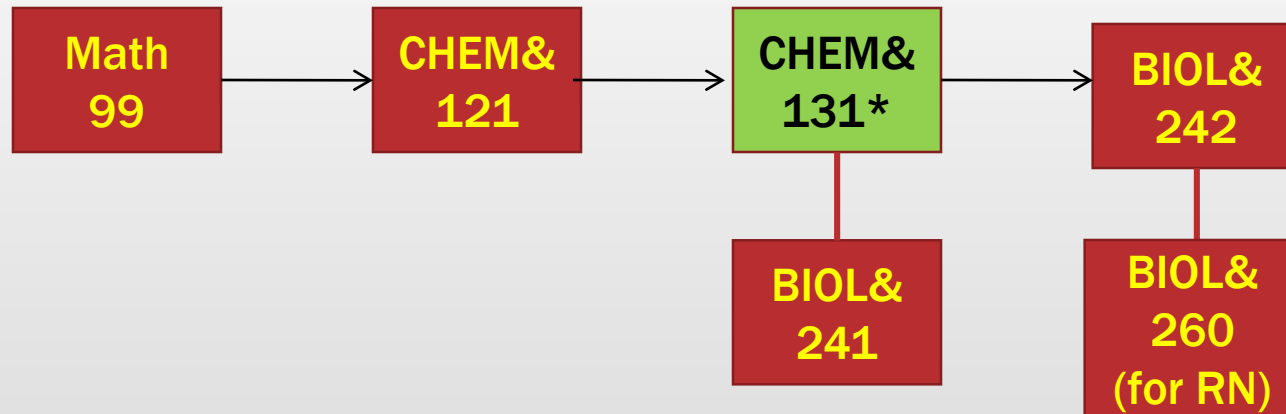


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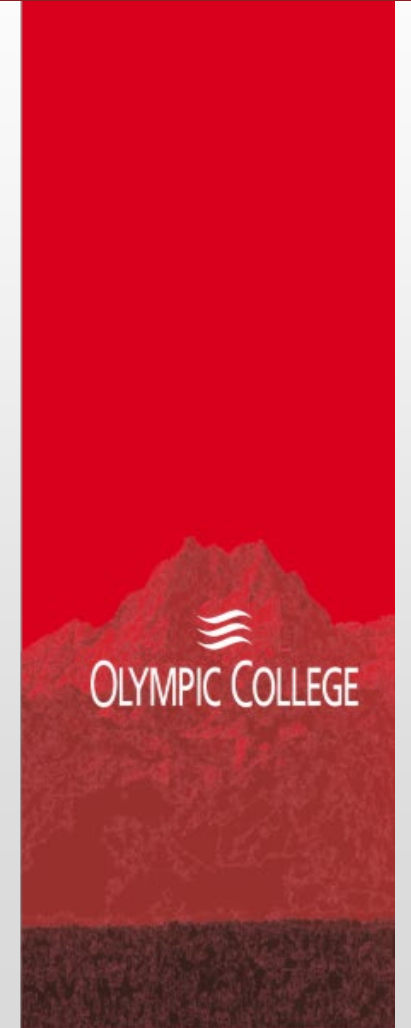




# Optional completion plan (not recommended)



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# Transferring Credits

- **Who needs to supply transcripts?**
  - Anyone who has attended a post-secondary institution.
  - Submit directly to the Admissions office – Bremerton campus or [evaluators@olympic.edu](mailto:evaluators@olympic.edu)
  - You must also submit a Transcript Evaluation Request form
    - Not an automatic process!
    - <https://www.olympic.edu/programs-classes/transfer-oc/transfer-credit-evaluation>



# Out of State Biology and Chemistry?

- **You need a course review!**
  - If you took Biology or Chemistry from an out of state college/university (or The Evergreen State College), the credits must be evaluated for equivalency by an Olympic College faculty member
- **What's the process?**
  - Email Ashley at [ablake@olympic.edu](mailto:ablake@olympic.edu)
  - Provide course syllabus and unofficial transcript
  - Sent to the science faculty to determine equivalency
  - Allow three weeks for results



# Credits from other colleges/states

Transcript Evaluation	Course Review
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For the entire college</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For Nursing Program only</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Determines transferability for general credit at the college</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Determines equivalencies for specific Biology or Chemistry classes taken out of state or at The Evergreen State College</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Must be requested once you are registered or apply to the program</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Can be done any time prior to application</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Official transcripts and transcript request form to <a href="mailto:evaluators@Olympic.edu">evaluators@Olympic.edu</a></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Send class syllabus and unofficial transcript to <a href="mailto:ablake@olympic.edu">ablake@olympic.edu</a></li></ul>



# Other Details

- **Retaking a class**
  - OC policy is three attempts; we will take your most recent attempt
    - If it is below a 2.0, you are not eligible
  - NURSE 151 (Dosage Calculations) – two attempts to get 3.7 or above
- **Expiration of credits**
  - For nursing, there is no expiration
- **Application fee**
  - None for PN application

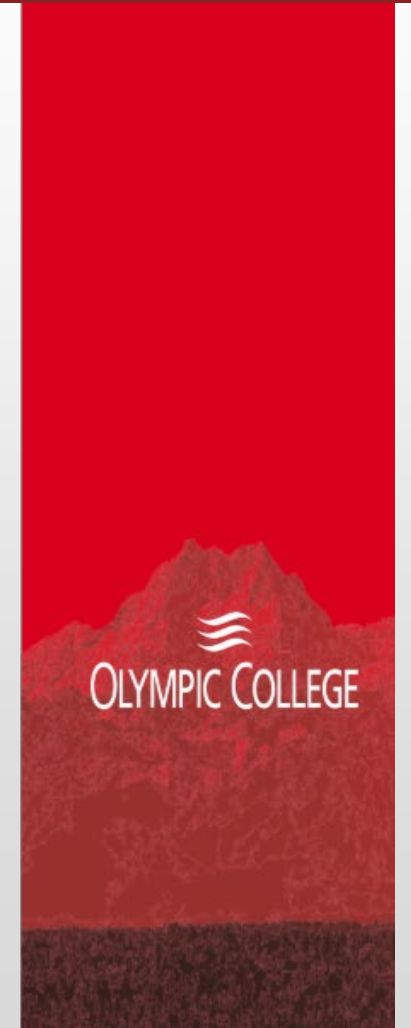


# Apply!

THE APPLICATION AND THE FACTOR SYSTEM

# After you've completed prerequisites...

- **Complete the PN application**
  - Application may be submitted when all prerequisite courses are complete – OR – when currently attending last prerequisite course (Summer quarter)
- **Include an official copy of your Accuplacer Reading Comprehension scores.**
- **Official transcripts from any institution after high school**
- **Application deadline is August 31<sup>st</sup>**



# The Factor system

- The factor system is points based.
- All courses must be completed by August 31<sup>st</sup> to receive points (except NURSE 151 and 152)
- Cumulative GPA of prerequisite courses
  - ENGL& 101, PSYC& 100, BIOL& 241, and BIOL& 242
  - 4 points possible depending on GPA

GPA	2.0 – 2.5	2.6 – 3.0	3.1 – 3.5	3.6 – 4.0
Points	1	2	3	4



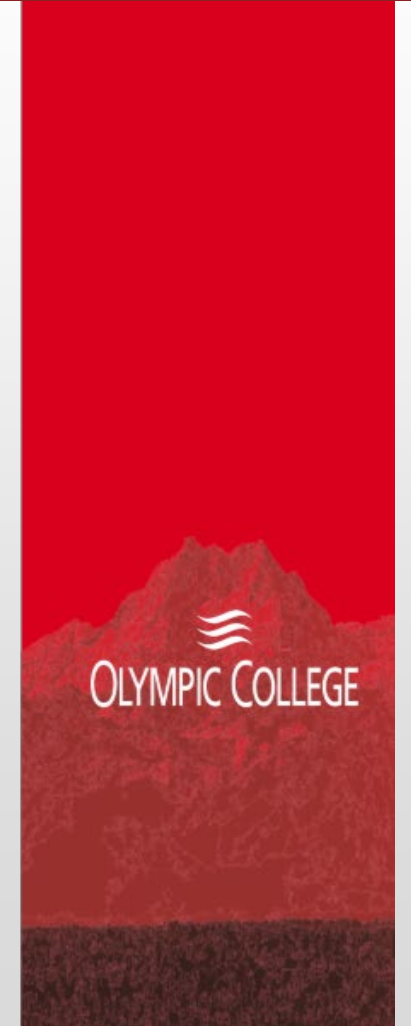


# The Factor System (continued)

- NURSE 118 (or NUTR& 101) – Nutrition = **1 point**
- ENGL& 102 – Composition II = **1 point**
- Certified Nursing Assistant License = **1 point**
  
- Rollover (for applicants who are eligible but not accepted on their first attempt) = **1 point**

**1<sup>st</sup> time applicant – 7 points possible**

**2<sup>nd</sup> time applicant – 8 points possible**



# Factoring Student #1

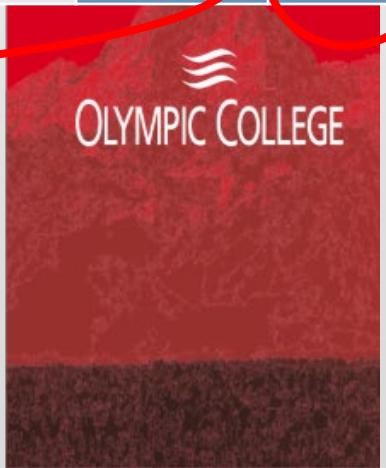


ENGL& 101	PSYC& 100	BIOL& 241	BIOL& 242	GPA	GPA pts	ENGL& 102	NURSE 118 or NUTR& 101	NAC	Rollover	TOTAL	Max
4.0	4.0	3.7	3.5	3.78	4	1	1	1	1	8	8



# Factoring Student #2

ENGL& 101	PSYC& 100	BIOL& 241	BIOL& 242	GPA	GPA pts	ENGL& 102	NURSE 118 or NUTR& 101	NAC	Rollover	TOTAL	Max
3.5	3.3	3.0	3.70	3.37	3	1	1	1		6	8



# The PN Program

WHAT TO EXPECT ONCE YOU GET IN AND WHAT WE EXPECT OF YOU!

# Types of classes

- **One Theory Credit = 1 contact hour per week per credit**
  - Lecture and class activities
  - Most classes are 3 credits, so 3 hrs./week
- **One Lab Credit = 2 contact hours per week per credit**
  - Practicing Skills
  - Classmates as “patients” (non-invasive!)
- **One Clinical Credit = 2 contact hours per week per credit**
  - In a facility like a hospital, care center
  - REAL patients!!
  - Simulations



# Time Commitment

- **Class time**

- 9 credits of theory
- 2 credits of lab
- 3 credits of clinical

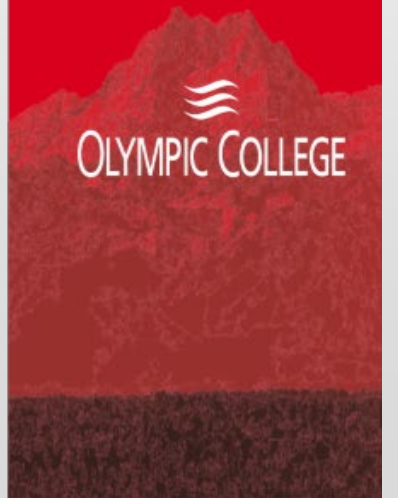
- **Study time**

- For each hour in class, you need about 2 hours to study



# Grades

- **Grade requirements**
  - Minimum 2.0 for PNURS courses
- **What happens if I don't achieve the required GPA (2.0) in a PNURS class?**
  - The student will have the option of petitioning the faculty for reentry to the Nursing Program.
  - If a failure in a clinical course occurred due to safety concerns petition for readmission is not an option.



# For clinical classes

- Students must provide evidence of the following before beginning **clinical** experiences:
  - BLS for Health Care Providers
  - Malpractice & Liability Insurance
  - Health Insurance
  - Immunizations
  - Background Inquiry



**These things are NOT necessary to apply to the program.  
It is recommended you wait to hear if you are admitted  
to the program before gathering these items**

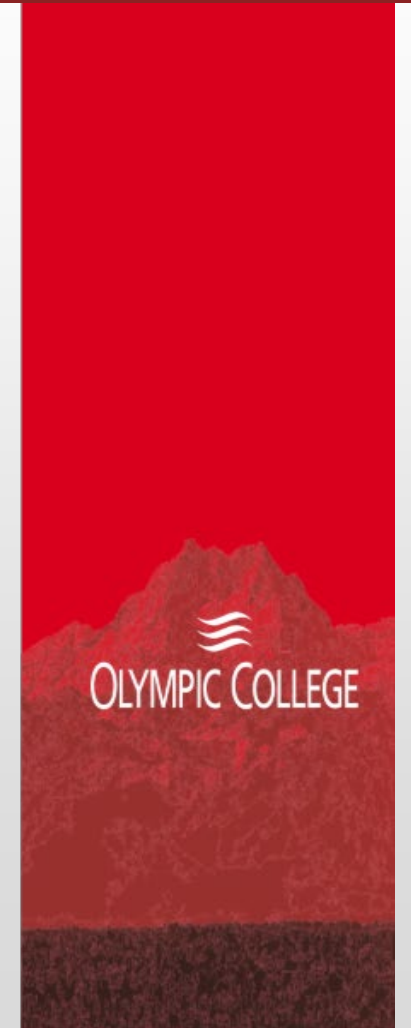


# Essential Functions of a Student Nurse

- **Students will be asked to perform the essential functions of a student nurse (motor, sensory, communication, cognitive, behavioral/emotional, professional conduct).**

## **Motor duties may include:**

- **Sitting**
- **Standing**
- **Walking**
- **Lifting**
- **Bending**
- **Twisting**
- **Squatting**
- **Carrying**
- **Pushing**
- **Pulling**
- **Reaching**
- **Writing**
- **Typing**
- **Pinching**
- **Gripping**
- **Bimanual dexterity**



# Essential Functions of a Student Nurse (continued)

- Student nurses are responsible for **communication** with families, caregivers, and other staff, be it written, verbal, electronic demonstration or other media in relation to their assignment.
- Students must possess **emotional health** for the adequate use of intellectual abilities.
- Students must possess the ability to **reason** and practice nursing according to the **Professional Code of Ethics**.

Reasonable accommodations will be afforded to eligible student nurses with disabilities as described under federal and state laws. Contact Access Services (360-475-7540) or [AccessServices@Olympic.edu](mailto:AccessServices@Olympic.edu) for information on accommodations for students with disabilities.



# If you accept admission to the PN Program...

- You must agree to the following conditions that may occur during the year in the program:
  - Attending classes during the day or evening on weekdays, and even weekends.
  - Participating in clinical experiences day, evening, or night shifts, M-F or on the weekends.
  - Traveling to clinical sites that may be over 50 miles away.
  - Making your program and clinical schedules your top priority, taking precedence over work and personal schedules.
- **If you cannot commit to these, please DO NOT ACCEPT your provisional acceptance into the PN program**



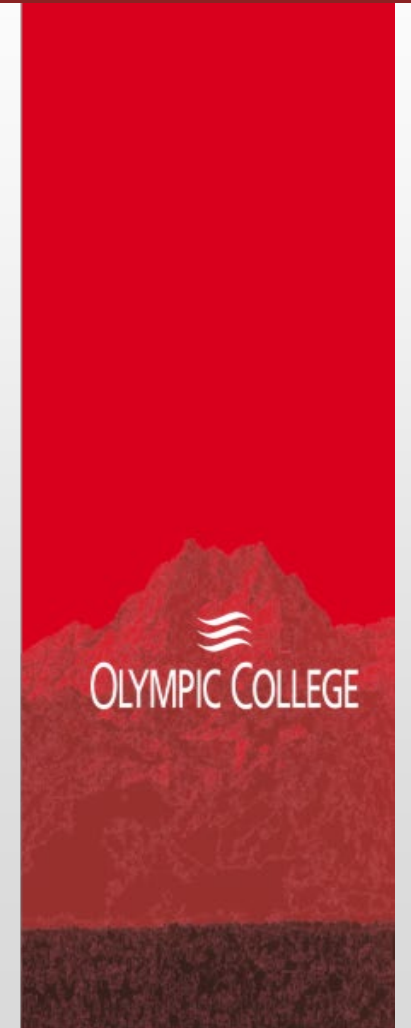
# Technology Expectations

## ▪ What

1. Email
2. Word Processing
3. Internet, Intranet, library and database searches
4. CANVAS®
5. Electronic Medical Records (EMR)
6. Simulations

## ▪ Why

1. Communicating with professors, classmates, etc.
2. Writing papers, studying
3. Information gathering for client care, papers and assignments
4. Accessing class materials, lecture information, hybrid course work, testing
5. Clinical documentation
6. Developing clinical thinking



# Technology Expectations

## What

1. Email
2. Word Processing
3. Internet, Intranet, library and database searches
4. CANVAS© (Gen-S 097)

***If you are not familiar with items 1-4, it is highly recommended to familiarize yourself with them prior to acceptance in to the Nursing Programs.***

## Why

1. Communicating with professors, classmates, etc.
2. Writing papers, studying
3. Information gathering for client care, papers and assignments
  1. NURSE 102 summer quarter
4. Accessing class materials, lecture information, hybrid course work, testing

# Success!

RESOURCES

# Success – What will help you get there?

- **Good organizational/time management skills**
- **Support systems**
  - **Family**
  - **Employer**
  - **Classmates**
- **Experience in the field**
- **Good study habits**
- **Grit!**



- **Questions?**
- **[ablake@olympic.edu](mailto:ablake@olympic.edu)**

**Thank you for  
attending!**

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