English Language Proficiency Requirement

Requirement
Applicants to the Pre-Licensure Program from non-English speaking countries must demonstrate minimum English proficiency requirements in one of the following ways:

- TOEFL iBT minimum score of 84 with a minimum speaking score of 26
- TOEFL PBT minimum score of 560
- IELTS overall score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 on all modules

Procedures
After receiving admission to the University, students below the School of Nursing’s minimum requirements must retest (TOEFL or IELTS). Applicants from non-English speaking countries are required to submit an official score report (TOEFL or IELTS) when making application to the Pre-Licensure Program. Students unable to achieve the minimum score(s) will be ineligible to apply.

Students are encouraged to utilize University resources to advance their English proficiency throughout the pre-requisite coursework. Students have opportunities to enroll in additional coursework through the Center for English Language Programs during fall and spring semesters. Summer courses may become available.

Additional Course Options:

- Advanced Level Reading
- Advanced Level Listening & Speaking Skills
- Advanced Level Grammar
- TOEFL Prep Courses

Students are encouraged to meet with an academic advisor to discuss their academic needs, course recommendations and plan of study.

Rationale
The School of Nursing’s minimum score requirements are intended to reflect the level of English language proficiency believed necessary for entry-level nurses to perform nursing responsibilities safely and effectively. The School of Nursing’s minimum English proficiency requirements were established using the recommendations set forth by the National Council of State Boards for Nursing.