## **Opticianry - Admission Criteria**

## **ADMISSIONS CRITERIA**

All application steps listed below must be completed to be considered for admission. Applications will only be accepted until incoming cohort slots are filled. Applications received after available openings are filled will be waitlisted.

- Follow the Steps to Apply and Enroll.
- Meet the Testing requirements and complete all required transition/support courses.
- Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher on a scale of 4.0 on the most recent academic transcript for the last 10 hours of college credit. If you do not have college credits, your cumulative grade point average will be taken from your high school transcript.
- This program has **SELECTIVE ADMISSIONS** and can only accept 10 students each year. Applicants will be evaluated based on the <u>Health Sciences Admissions Rubric</u> after the Priority Deadline. Although the TEAS test is NOT required for admissions to this program, it can increase the likelihood that a student will be accepted into the program. Please talk with your advisor to determine your best course of action for admission.

Those individuals who are notified of provisional acceptance to the program must attend a mandatory orientation session and have SCC health forms completed by the appropriate medical personnel indicating the candidate is mentally and physically capable of performing the job duties required by this profession.

Once accepted into the program, students will be required to complete an onboarding process. Each student completing a health science program may be required, by an external agency, to submit a criminal background check and/or drug test prior to a state or national licensing/ certification board approving the graduate to sit for exams.

Due to the rigorous nature of the curriculum, where possible, students are encouraged to have successfully completed general education courses prior to enrolling in program specific courses: ACA 111, BUS 110, CIS 110, ENG 111, ENG 114, HUM 115, MAT 143 and PSY 150 with a "C" or better. See your advisor for acceptable general education substitutes. Additionally, students may take certificate coursework, where appropriate, prior to acceptance into a Selective Health Sciences Program.

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