

02 ADMISSION

Within the limits of its resources, the University shall be open to all academically qualified students. If the number of students to be admitted must be restricted for lack of adequate staff or facilities, admission shall be based as far as possible on individual merit and, in the case of special programs, on other relevant criteria. The only departure from a completely nondiscriminatory admission policy that is consistent with the University's educational mission is one that is imposed by its public, tax-supported character. Consequently, duly qualified New Hampshire residents are to be given preference as state law now requires. Students from other states and foreign countries are approved for admission every year in accordance with the University's long-standing interest in maintaining a diverse student body.¹

02.1 Entrance Conditions

02.11(fs) Entrance classifications

Students may qualify for participation in University coursework under any one of three different classifications:

1. Bachelor's degree candidacy
2. Associate's degree candidacy
3. Special student status

The specific criteria for acceptance to the above classifications are set forth in the University catalog. The director of admissions may approve the admission of students who do not fully meet these criteria, provided there is adequate evidence that they are capable of pursuing their proposed curriculum satisfactorily.

02.12(fs) Transfer admission

Candidates who have matriculated or enrolled at another accredited college and/or completed more than 16 college-level course credits prior to admission but following completion of high school will be considered as transfer candidates for admission. Students enrolled in an associate degree program at Thompson School of Applied Science, UNH Manchester, UNH Preadmission Program or any associate degree program will also be considered as transfer candidates. Their credit and class standing at the University of New Hampshire will be determined by the quantity and quality of work completed at the previous institution.¹ (See 06.231(fs).)

02.13 Entrance health requirements

Undergraduate students who have been formally accepted for bachelor's or associate degree candidacy and who register for 12 or more semester credit hours must have a complete health record on file with University Health & Wellness. This record consists of a confidential computerized medical history questionnaire to be completed prior to matriculation.

Students wishing exemption from this requirement on religious grounds must make a written request to the executive director of Health & Wellness.

¹ Transfer candidates may also be considered for a second degree. (See 06.232(fs).)