

Policy Title	College Admissions/Readmissions
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I. Mission, Vision and Values

This policy reflects our commitment to human dignity, integrity, compassion, stewardship, and service by guiding decisions and actions that uphold respect for all individuals and promote excellence in our work.

This policy aligns with our mission of extending the compassionate ministry of Jesus by improving the health and well-being of our communities and providing good help to those in need, especially the poor, dying, and underserved by ensuring that our practices support ethical, effective, and accountable service across all areas of the organization.

II. Policy

College Admissions/Readmissions

III. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide the requirements for admission/readmission to Southside College of Health Sciences (SCHS).

IV. Scope

This policy applies to all applicants and students of SCHS.

V. Policy Details

To be eligible for admission to the College, the application and all required materials must be received in the Office of Admissions by the deadlines as published on the College website. Qualified applicants are considered for admission without regard to race, color, religion, age, marital status, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, military veteran status or disability.

Applicants must comply with policy ACA 1.02 – Essential Technical Standards.

Admission into the programs of the College is competitive. An applicant who meets all admission requirements is not guaranteed admission to the selected program.

Upon acceptance to a program of the College, students must meet any additional requirements (e.g., passing a criminal background check); otherwise, the student will be dismissed from the program.

International Applicants

International students seeking admission to the College must have a visa that allows study in the United States (e.g., Green Card). SCHS is not a Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) approved institution.

Applicants with Non-U.S. Credentials

The College requires that any non-U.S. transcript or documentation issued be evaluated formally by a National Association of Credential Evaluation services (NACES) agency. A list of NACES approved international transcript evaluation agencies can be found at www.naces.org.

Readmission

A student who has officially withdrawn from the College may reapply. Students who reapply must meet College and programmatic requirements established during his/her absence. Students are not eligible for readmission if they were dismissed or administratively withdrawn from the program as a result of disciplinary actions. Readmitted students must complete the program within 150% of attempted credit hours.

1. Submit a completed application for admission.
2. Completion of the application form is not a guarantee of readmission.

VI. Definitions

None

VII. Attachments

N/A

VIII. Related Policies and Procedures

ACA 1.02: Essential Technical Standards

IX. Regulatory Notices

Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between Bon Secours Southside College of Health Sciences (SCHS), a department owned and controlled by Bon Secours Mercy Health Petersburg, LLC (d/b/a Southside Medical Center), and any party. SCHS, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.

X. Version Control

Version	Effective Date	Next Review Date	Description	Supersedes, if applicable	Prepared By
1.0	8/1/2021	N/A	Revised and new template	N/A	Student Services
1.1	8/1/2023	N/A	Revised and New Template	1.0	Dean of Student Affairs
1.1	3/23/2024	3/23/2027	Reviewed – No Changes	1.1	Dean of Student Affairs
1	3/23/2024	3/23/2027	Version changed – BSMH Template Adopted/Ownership Changed	1.1	Dean of Enrollment Management

This policy/procedure/guideline is not intended to establish a standard of clinical or non-clinical care or practice. Rather, this policy/procedure/guideline creates a general tool to help guide decision-making with the understanding that different action(s) may be necessary in response to the totality of the circumstances presented.

Sites revised 05/06/2025- Bon Secours Mercy Health adopts the above policy, procedure, policy & procedure, guideline, manual / reference guide / instructions, or principle / standard / guidance document for all Bon Secours Mercy Health entities including, but not limited to, facilities doing business as Mercy Health – St. Vincent Medical Center, St. Vincent – St. Charles Hospital, St. Vincent – St. Anne Hospital, Mercy Health – Perrysburg Medical Center, Mercy Health – Tiffin Hospital, Mercy Health – Willard Hospital, Mercy Health – Defiance Hospital, Mercy Health Allen Hospital LLC, Mercy Health - Lorain Hospital, Mercy Health St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital, Mercy Health St. Joseph Warren Hospital, Mercy Health - St. Elizabeth Boardman Hospital, Mercy Health - St. Rita's Medical Center, Mercy Health – Springfield Regional Medical Center, Mercy Health - Urbana Hospital, Mercy Health - Anderson Hospital, Mercy Health - Clermont Hospital, Mercy Health – Fairfield Hospital, Mercy Health - West Hospital, The Jewish Hospital – Mercy Health, Mercy Health – Kings Mills Hospital, LLC, Mercy Health - Lourdes Hospital LLC, Mercy Health – Marcum and Wallace Hospital, Chesapeake Hospital Corporation DBA Rappahannock General, Maryview Hospital, Bon Secours Richmond Community, Bon Secours Memorial Regional Medical Center, Bon Secours – St. Mary's Hospital, Bon Secours St. Francis Health System, Bon Secours St. Francis Medical Center, Bon Secours Mary Immaculate Hospital, Bon Secours - Southside Medical Center, Bon Secours Mercy Health Franklin, LLC, Southern Virginia Medical Center, and Bon Secours Harbour View Medical Center. This also may apply to Bon Secours Mercy Health Medical Group LLC and its medical group affiliates.