

TO: Future Excelsior College Nursing Students from Illinois
FROM: Excelsior College Admissions Office
RE: Current Illinois State Board Status

The Illinois Board of Nursing does not allow licensure by examination for Excelsior graduates. Graduates are eligible to apply for licensure only by endorsement. The Board requires two (2) years of practice in RN clinical nursing as a qualification for licensure. The Board of Nursing regulations state, “a year of clinical practice consists of not less than 1500 hours of direct patient care”.

As a graduate you may apply for licensure by examination and work as an RN in another U.S. jurisdiction. Or you can apply for licensure by examination in another U.S. jurisdiction and work for a federal facility in Illinois, such as a VA hospital, military hospital, or federal correctional facility. After two years, you may apply for licensure by endorsement.

In order to process your undergraduate application for admission to the School of Nursing, select one of the options listed below. Then sign and return this document for processing.

- I am aware of the current policy of the Illinois Board of Nursing regarding licensure of graduates of the Excelsior College School of Nursing. **Please proceed with my application and/or enrollment.**
- I have decided NOT to enroll in Excelsior College at this time. **Please return my application form and fee and/or enrollment.**

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

Excelsior College ID # _____

ID# required. It can be found at www.excelsior.edu/myexcelsior.

Please return signed copy back via the Message Center.

Other options:

FAX: Admissions Office, 518-464-8833, available 24 hours a day

MAIL: Admission Office, Excelsior College, 7 Columbia Circle, Albany, NY 12203-5159

If you have any questions, call the Admissions Office at 888-647-2388, ext. 27.