Accelerated Second Degree CEIN/BS Prerequisite Checklist
(Effective 10/2020)

1. CEIN/BS Online Application through the Nursing CAS system:
   http://www.nursingcas.org/
   Pay a $55.00 application fee directly to CAS to utilize the CAS system.

2. Application fee of $75.00 to the School of Nursing – Pay online at:

3. Current Curriculum Vitae or Resume

4. **3 letters of recommendation**: At least one must be academic and one must be professional. The third letter can be either academic or professional. All must address your background, perseverance, potential for academic success, potential as a nurse, and ability to successfully work independently and in groups. Follow directions in the CAS system for letters of recommendation. Start this process at least 4-6 weeks before your desired application date. Double check that references have been completed and uploaded. Missing references will prevent review of your application.

5. **Bachelor’s degree with an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or better is preferred.** Performance in the prerequisite courses is also evaluated.

6. **Write your personal statement – (500 words).** Write a personal statement that you will add to your CEIN/BS application. In this statement:
   - Tell us about yourself.
   - Talk about why you want to be a nurse and what influenced your decision.
   - Write about qualities you have that will contribute to your success in the program, and in nursing.
   - Relate some of your work & life experiences to nursing.
   - Describe your short and long-term goals.

7. **Official transcripts** from all institutions of higher learning showing evidence of prior degrees and courses completed. Prerequisite courses must have the required grades listed below – for example, a B- will not be accepted if the required grade is B.
   Double check that transcripts have been uploaded to CAS after you order them. Missing transcripts will prevent review of your application.

   - **Biology**: MUST be a B or BETTER - within 8 years (lab not required)
     UConn BIO 1107, CT Community College BIO 121, University of Phoenix BIO 101 or 350, or equivalent

   - **Microbiology**: MUST be a B or BETTER – within 8 years (lab not required)
     UConn MCB 2610, CT Community College BIO 235, or equivalent

   - **(Human) Genetics**: MUST be a B or BETTER - within 5 years (lab not required)
     UConn MCB 2400, 2410, CT Community College BIO 260, or equivalent

   - **Chemistry with lab***: MUST be a B or BETTER – within 8 years
     UConn CHEM 1122, CT Community College CHEM 111, or equivalent
     * We will accept University of Phoenix CHEM 150 or 151 taken Summer 2020 - Summer 2021 only.

   - **Anatomy and Physiology I with lab*** : MUST be a B or BETTER – within 8 years
     UConn PNB 2264 or 2274, CT Community College BIO 211, or equivalent
     * We will accept University of Phoenix BIO 290 and 291 taken Summer 2020 - Summer 2021 only.
- **Anatomy and Physiology II with lab**: MUST be a B or BETTER – within 8 years
  UCONN PNB 2265 or 2275, CT Community College BIO 212, or equivalent
  *We will accept University of Phoenix BIO 290 and 291 taken Summer 2020 - Summer 2021 only.*

- **Undergraduate Statistics**: MUST be a C or BETTER – within 8 years
  UCONN STATS 1000Q, 1100Q, CT Community College MATH 167 or MATH 165, or equivalent

8. **TOEFL scores, if applicable, must be within two years prior to application.** A TOEFL (IBT) exam is required if born or educated outside of the United States of America (USA). Permanent residents of the USA who attended English speaking USA schools beginning in the 9th grade are waived from this requirement. Applicants born in the following countries are waived from this requirement: Australia, Canada (except Quebec Province), New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, United Kingdom and the USA. If you went to school in an English-speaking country where dialects were predominantly used for conversation, a TOEFL exam may be required. **Passing TOEFL scores are as follows:** A total score of 92 with the following breakdown: a minimum of 26 in both the listening and speaking sections and a minimum of 20 in both the reading and writing sections. Please upload your official test scores in the CAS system.

   **Duolingo English Test, must be within two years prior to application.**
   We require at least a score of 115. Scores must be sent directly to Heather Spottiswoode at heatherspo@uconn.edu. These scores need to be submitted before your application can be reviewed.

9. **Complete this health form and prepare to submit by 10/1/21 for Jan 2022 cohort:**

   It is imperative that you view the health requirements and deadlines at the preceding link. If you are not able to meet these requirements, you will most likely not be able to complete the required clinical/residency experience of the program. The financial costs of meeting these requirements are your responsibility. Completion of the Hepatitis B requirement can take months to complete if your titer is negative for immunity. This can result in you not being placed in clinical and deferred to the following year. Have your titers drawn by May-June in order to complete health requirements on time.