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## Benefits to Schools and Users

- Provides your admissions staff with secure, online access to applicant data in real-time.
- Ability for your faculty to review candidates online.
- You gain exposure to a larger applicant pool, including from underrepresented populations.
- Helps direct students to open seats in participating programs.
- No cost for schools or programs.
- Refocus your resources on higher level interactions with applicants by streamlining the admissions process.
- You receive verified and standardized applicant information for easier review (references, test scores, transcripts).
- Allows you to customize the information you receive from applicants.
- Allows you to track where applicants reside.
- Provides program-specific and profession-wide reports on applicants.
- Provides web and dedicated phone support to your admissions officers and their applicants.
- Provides opportunities for you to share best practices among other member programs.

[www.nursingcas.org](http://www.nursingcas.org)

## What is NursingCAS?

Nursing's Centralized Application Service allows applicants to use a single online application and one set of materials to apply to multiple nursing programs at participating schools.

### How It Works:

1. Research Programs of Interest
2. Apply to Selected Programs
3. Submit Supporting Materials
  - Transcripts
  - References
  - Personal Statements
  - Supporting Documents
  - Licensure and Certification Data
  - Education History
  - Professional Experience

The application is submitted through the centralized application service, designed to make available applicant data to staff involved in the admissions process.

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Applicants pay a nominal fee to use the service:

### Undergraduate Programs:

First Program	\$50
Each Additional Program	\$35

### Graduate Programs:

First Program	\$70
Each Additional Program	\$40

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## Benefits to Applicants

- A convenient and efficient process to apply to multiple schools using a single web-based application.
- Comprehensive instructions to help applicants easily navigate application.
- Eliminates time and costs associated with duplicate applications, references, and transcripts.
- Provides applicants with a real-time status to check the receipt of their applications, transcripts, and letters of reference.
- A single online resource to research different schools using comparative data.
- A seamless electronic letters of reference process.
- Robust validation rules that reduce unintended applicant errors and omissions.
- Dedicated and knowledgeable support staff available throughout the application cycle.

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## Benefits to the Profession

- Compiles accurate statistics on the profession such as number of applicants, feeder schools, matriculation and applicant pool profile.
- Assists in developing workforce projections, future trends, and recruitment strategies through accurate data.
- Assists in managing pipeline development and underrepresented applicant recruitment.
- Compares and assesses statistical data with other professional applicant pools.
- Win-win process that benefits all constituents and enables AACN to provide a higher level of service to members.



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## Benefits to Health Profession Advisors

- Provides advisors with a secure portal that identifies status information on individual applicants from their institutions, pending authorization from the applicant.
- The use of a single application for multiple schools helps advisors to better guide applicants through the admissions process.
- Helps to promote the profession and foster good will among advisors by providing them with real-time data on their applicants.
- Provides feedback to advisors on the admissions trends and standards of the profession and their programs.

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