

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING
3.6.1.a. EDUCATION GUIDELINE
Criteria for Determining Student Enrollment

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Rule 214.8 related to *Students* and Rule 215.8 related to *Students* sets forth the requirements for student enrollment.

Rule 214.8 (a) related to <i>Students</i> requires that “The number of students admitted to the program shall be determined by the number of qualified faculty, adequate educational facilities and resources, and the availability of appropriate clinical learning experiences for students. Programs shall not accept admissions after the third day of class.”	Rule 215.8 (a) related to <i>Students</i> requires that, “The number of students admitted to the program shall be determined by the number of qualified faculty, adequate educational facilities and resources, and the availability of appropriate clinical learning experiences for students.”
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The following questions are **EXAMPLES** of criteria to be considered in the determination of student enrollment.

1. Does the program have adequate fiscal resources to accommodate the desired number of students?
2. Does the program have an adequate number of nursing faculty with appropriate academic expertise to deliver didactic courses in an educationally sound manner?
3. Does the program have an adequate number of nursing faculty with appropriate clinical expertise to manage clinical instruction?
4. Does the program have appropriate physical resources (classrooms, desks, chairs, skills labs, computers, equipment) to accommodate the desired number of students?
5. Does the program have appropriate human resources (counselors, clerical, technical support) to accommodate the desired number of students?
6. Does each clinical site have the required client variation and adequate client census available to accommodate the desired number of students?
7. Does the program have adequate clinical instructors/clinical teaching assistants/preceptors to maintain the mandated nursing faculty/student clinical ratio in clinical learning experiences involving direct patient care?

IMPORTANT: Please be aware that references to Rule 214 and Rule 215 are not all inclusive.