Application Point Assignment

Applicants are ranked according to overall academic grade point average (GPA) from the Core Objective and Program Requirement courses. The objective system started in the Fall of 2013. **A minimum grade of "C-" is required in** *all* **Objective** *and* **Program Requirement courses.**

Points are awarded for grades in each of the pre-professional courses (***Objectives with an asterisk * are required objectives for the program***. The other Objectives (those without an asterisk) have courses that will satisfy the University Objectives and will be awarded points for grades.

No student will be selected for program admission that has not completed RS 1105, MATH 1143, PHYS 1100, BIOL 1101, BIOL 2227, BIOL 2228 and their respective labs with grades of "C-" minimum, prior to the commencement of professional course work, regardless of a student's total accumulated points. *Also, a minimum grade point average of 3.0 is required.* Students should **NOT** apply to the program if they are missing more than four courses.

**Students who completed COMM 1101 for 2 credits at ISU prior to the change of the credits to 3 shall have COMM 1101 weighted at 3 credits. Transfer courses for COMM 1101 shall be weighted in accordance with the credit hours of transfer but for no greater than 3 credits.

**Foreign language credits will be weighted at 3 credits for point assignment.

1. A grade of A is worth 4 points, B's are 3 points, C's are 2 points, D's are 1 point, and F's are 0 points. ***Plus (+) and minus (-) grades are converted to whole letter grades for point assignments.*** The points are then multiplied times the credit hour weighting of the course to determine the total points for each course. Credits transferred to ISU that are considered as equivalent to the ISU course(s) listed above, will be weighted according to the credit hours from the original institution, but no greater than the ISU course weighting. For example, if a student completed a four (4)-credit college algebra course at XYZ University and it is considered equivalent to the ISU MATH 1143 course, the weighting would be three (3) credits and not four (4). Quarter credit hour credits will be converted to "semester" credits for the purpose of weighting. One (1) quarter credit hour shall be considered to be 2/3 of a semester credit hour.

If a student tests out of a course or is otherwise given credit for a course by the ISU Registrar, including military credit, then the grade used for calculation of points shall be an "A" unless a different letter grade is earned (i.e. B, C, D, or F). If a student tests out of a course or is otherwise given credit for a course by the ISU Registrar, including military credit, but takes the course anyway, then the grade used for calculation of points shall be the grade earned in the course.

A passing "P" or a "TS" grade will be counted as a "C" unless proven otherwise with official documentation.

2. Residency - Idaho residents shall be awarded 4 points.

3. Students who have completed 17 or more of the Core Objective and Program Requirement courses **at ISU** will be awarded an additional 8 points. ***This is 17 classes, not credits.***

4. Students that have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and have completed all of the classes each year applied in Core Objective and Program Requirement courses will be awarded 50 additional points for each year that they have reapplied to the program. **Again, this will only be awarded if** ***all Core Objective and Program Requirement courses are completed the first time a student applies and the student has a minimum 3.0 GPA.***

5. The total points accumulated from the calculations in #1 through #4 above shall then be multiplied times the student's cumulative grade point average of the Core Objective and Program Requirement courses, for a total point value.

6. Interview: The top 30 ranked applicants will be contacted by email and an interview will be scheduled. Maximum of 100 points will be awarded for the interview process.

7. The students will be ranked according to the total points accumulated. The students with the highest accumulated points will be selected for program admission in accordance with the number of openings available. For example, if there are 20 vacancies then the top 20 students will be selected.

8. Alternates for admission will be selected on the basis of their ranking.

9. In the event of a tie during the selection process the following procedure will be initiated in the following order: a) preference will be given to the candidate that has applied during a previous year, b) the student with the highest number of the pre-professional classes taken at ISU, c) random drawing of name.