

Nursing Associate - Admission Criteria

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

The Priority Deadline for ADN is January 31. All application steps listed below must be completed prior to January 31 for consideration. Candidates who apply after the priority deadline will only be evaluated if there are remaining slots available on a rolling admissions basis.

- Follow the Steps to [Apply and Enroll](#).
- Meet the [Testing requirements](#) and complete all required transition/support courses.
- Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a scale of 4.0 on the most recent academic transcript with at least 10 hours of college credit. If you do not have college credits, your cumulative grade point average will be taken from your high school transcript.
- As a **SELECTIVE ADMISSIONS** program, there is only one entry point into the program annually. The TEAS test is required for Nursing applicants and must score a 65 or above. Applications will be ranked using the [Health Sciences Admissions Rubric](#).
 - Have completed high school algebra or a transferable college math course with a grade of “C” or higher or earned equivalent RISE placement test scores.
 - Hold a documented, current, unrestricted credential in a healthcare field.
 - Have successfully completed Anatomy and Physiology I (BIO 168) within the past five years with a grade of “C” or higher and completed ACA 122 or received a waiver of this course prior to the Priority Application Deadline of January 31st.

Those individuals who are notified of provisional acceptance to the program must attend a mandatory orientation session and have SCC health forms completed by the appropriate medical personnel indicating the candidate is mentally and physically capable of performing the job duties required by this profession.

Once accepted into the program, students will be required to complete an onboarding process, which will include a criminal background check and drug testing prior to participation in the clinical component. If any clinical facility refuses to allow the student to participate in clinical experiences, for any reason, the student will not be able to progress in the program. Each student completing a health science program may be required, by an external agency, to submit a criminal background check and/or drug test prior to a state or national licensing/ certification board approving the graduate to sit for exams.

Due to the rigorous nature of the curriculum, where possible, students are encouraged to have successfully completed general education courses prior to enrolling in program specific courses: BIO 169, BIO 175, ENG 111, ENG 112, PSY 150, and PSY 241 with a "C" or better. See your advisor for acceptable general education substitutes.

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