



Practical Nursing Program Beginning Fall 2012



APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR THE PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM

The Practical Nursing Program prepares individuals to practice within the legal scope of practical nursing under the supervision of a registered nurse or physician.

The graduate practical nurse is prepared to write the licensure exam for paractical nurse.

Admission is open to all qualified students regardless of economic or social status and without discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, marital status, beliefs, age, national origin, or disability.

All applicants should possess:

1. Sufficient visual acuity, such as needed in the accurate preparation and administration of medication and for the observation necessary for patient assessment and nursing care.
2. Sufficient auditory perception to receive verbal communication from patients and members of the health team and to assess health needs of people through the use of monitoring devices, such as cardiac monitor, stethoscope, IV infusion pumps, doptone, fire alarms, etc.
3. Sufficient gross and fine motor coordination to respond promptly and to implant the skills including manipulation of equipment required in meeting health needs.
4. Sufficient communication skills (speech, reading, writing) to interact with individuals and to communicate their needs promptly and effectively as may be necessary in the individual's interest.
5. Sufficient intellectual and emotional functions to plan and implement care for individuals.

Enrollment in the practical nurse program is selective and the number of admissions is based on available resources. Students are admitted to the program in the Fall and Spring semesters each year. **General education courses may be taken prior to admission.**

The fee schedule is in the ACTC catalogue. In addition to tuition, practical nursing students are responsible for transportation to various health agencies, purchase of books, liability insurance, uniforms and other required items. All students admitted to the program are required to submit documentation of immunizations, including Hepatitis-B, MMR, and results of a recent TB test. Healthcare Provider CPR certification is required before enrolling in the first course.

Applying:

It is the responsibility of the applicant to see that the following are on file in the admissions office no later than **March 1, 2012** for the Fall 2012 semester.

1. Completed ACTC Admissions Application
2. Official high school transcript or GED scores
3. Official transcripts of any post-secondary education
(TRANSCRIPTS ARE ONLY OFFICIAL IF MAILED FROM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL); ILLEGIBLE TRANSCRIPTS ARE CLASSIFIED AS UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS.
4. Results of the ACT or COMPASS exam (*see Preferences for details*)
5. Successful completion of a Medical Nurse Aid equivalent course within the past three (3) years or proof of active status on the Medicaid Nurse Aide Registry prior to the first day of NPN 101 class.
6. Practical Nursing Program application

You can logon to your ACTC Student Self Service account to check your file.

Admission will be made on the basis of a weighted point scale with the applicants receiving points for the following (if grade is a "C" or better):

Preference may be given to:

1. Candidates who demonstrate above average standing in high school or on the General Education Development (GED);
2. Applicants with ACT scores of 20 or above in reading, algebra, and writing or COMPASS scores of Reading (84-85), Pre-Algebra (64-69), and Writing (74);
3. Applicants who have completed 12 or more credit hours in the approve curriculum with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better from any regionally accredited college.

Selective Admissions Process:

1. 5 points each for math and/or science courses (above 100 level).
2. ACT scores 5 points in Reading, English and Pre-algebra (Equivalence for COMPASS). Score of 20 minimum in each area listed.
3. Points will be awarded for GPA starting at
2.50 - 2.99 - 15 points
3.00 - 3.99 - 30 points
4.00 - 45 points
4. 5 points for completion of minimum of 12 credit hours of the Practical Nursing curriculum
5. Recent HS graduates/GED recipients only:
a. 10 points for ACT above 20 in Math and Science
b. 20 points for HS GPA 3.5 or greater). GED recipients: (2500) 470 or greater.

2012-2013 This policy supersedes any prior ones.

General education courses may be taken prior to admission. If general education courses are not completed prior to admission they must be taken in the sequence stated below:

NAA 101	Nurse Aide Training OR Evicence of 75 Hour Training Requirement within the previous three (3) years OR active status on the Medicaid Nurse Aid Registry	3 CR
CIS 100	Computer Literacy	3 CR
PSY 110	General Psychology	3 CR
BIO 137	Anatomy & Physiology I (with lab) (BIO 135 may be substituted)	4 CR

NURSING I

CLA 131	Medical Terminology OR Equivalent (AHS 115 or OST 103 may be substituted)	6 CR
BIO 139	Anatomy & Physiology II (with lab)	4 CR
PSY 223	Developmental Psychology	3 CR
NPN 101	Nursing Fundamentals	6 CR
NPN 111	Pharmacology I	3 CR
NPN 125	Mental Health	3 CR

NURSING II

NPN 201	Child Bearing Family	3 CR
NPN 202	Med-Surg Alterations I	6 CR
ENG 101	Writing I OR	3 CR
COM 252	Interpersonal Communications OR	
COM 181	Basic Public Speaking	3 CR

NURSING III

NPN 206	Medical Surgical Alterations II	6 CR
NPN 210	Practicum	4 CR
NPN 215	Nursing Trends & Issues	1 CR

For Program Details, contact Assistant Professor Elizabeth McGinnis at 606/326-2150 or e-mail: ewood0017@kctcs.edu
College applications and class schedules are on the web:

www.ashland.kctcs.edu

FOR THIS TERM ONLY: Application materials received after the MARCH 1, 2012 deadline will not be considered and the application would be incomplete. GPA is based on all college work completed prior to MARCH 1, 2012.

I wish to apply to the Practical Nursing Program at Ashland Community and Technical College.

Name _____ Student IDNUMBER _____

Social Security Number (required) _____

Current Mailing Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Application requirements (i.e. ACT or COMPASS scores, transcripts) received after the March 1st or October 1st deadline will not be considered. GPA is based on college work completed before the deadline for application.

Please note the following:

Admission to the Practical nursing program is **SELECTIVE**. Please secure the Practical Nursing Information Brochure regarding the selection procedures. Applicants with ACT/SAT/COMPASS scores and/or GPAs below the minimum requirement are encouraged to take additional college work and repeat the test as needed prior to applying again.

I know I must have the following credentials on file no later than MARCH 1, 2012 for the Fall 2012 semester in order to be considered for admission to the Practical Nursing Program:

___ ACTC Admissions application

___ High school transcript or GED scores

___ ACT or ___COMPASS identifying scores for Reading, Writing, and Math **OR**

evidence of satisfactory completion of developmental courses in Reading, Writing, Math

___ Official transcripts of any post-secondary education (includes Vocational or Technical Colleges):

Name of School _____

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___ Copy of Nurse Aide certification (if applicable unless completed MNA 100 or NAA 100)

_____ Student Signature _____ Date