



Associate of Applied Science in Nursing

Program Information Session

We will get started at 5 pm

Agenda: Review Handbook Sections

- Program Overview
- Eligibility Requirements
- Point Criteria and Application Evaluation
- What's Next / Back-up Plan
- Questions and Answers

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Program Overview

Pre-nursing preparation is approximately 1.5 – 2 years (pre-requisites and support courses).

Nursing Program Summary (2 years):

- LPN (first year)----Certificate of Completion
- RN (second year)---Associates in Applied Science
- Exit point after LPN year*
- Exit point after RN year



*Readmission, Advanced Placement, and Transfer Pathways are available, but seats/space is limited.



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Selective Admissions: Application Eligibility

Application Requirement:

The nursing program is a cohort model (starts in Fall only) program – *admissions is competitive and enrollment is limited.*

- Application opens the Monday of spring term – link will be located on the Nursing Registration Info webpage
 - Deadline is 5pm the Monday following Spring term finals

ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE COMPLETE BY CLOSE OF APPLICATION DEADLINE
Spring term courses are counted toward application requirements – see back page of handbook if transferring credits in from another institution

- **Must submit a general application to COCC and submit official transcripts (if any) before applying.**



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Residency Requirement:

Must be an “in-district” student by the start of the nursing program. If you are not already living in-district:

- ***If they start taking classes as an out-of-district/out-of-state student,***
Students are considered “out-of-district” for **two** years
- Or, students may wait **one** full year after moving to the area ***before taking any*** classes at COCC, then they can apply as an in-district student
- *Applicants may be required to document in-district residency*

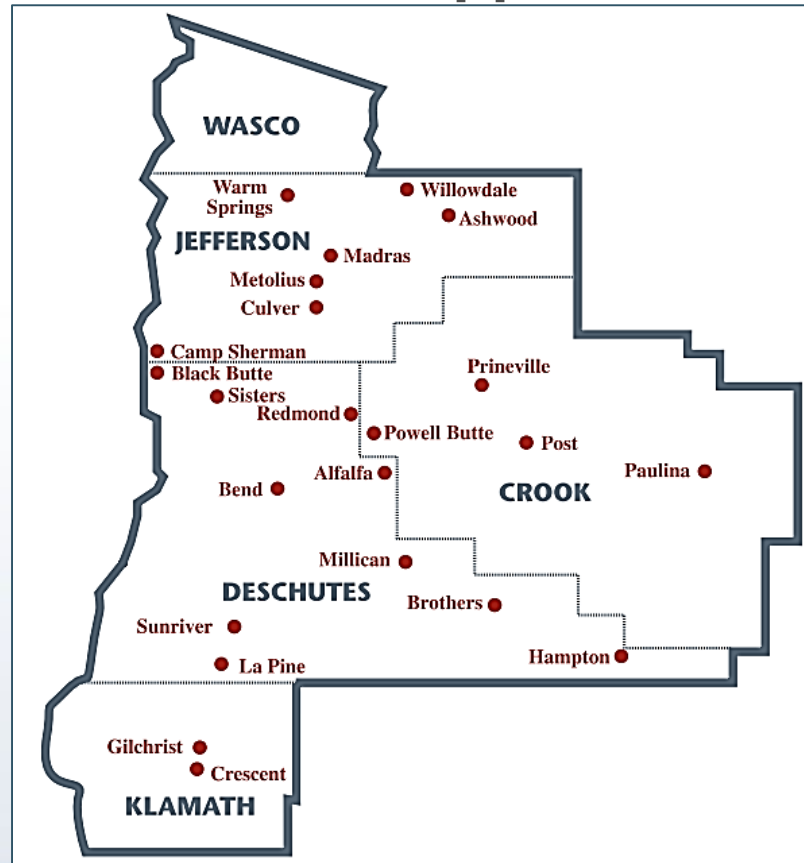
See district map on COCC’s website



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Residency Map:





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Selective Admissions: Application Eligibility

Pre-Requisite Course Requirements:

Must maintain a 3.0 GPA in these prerequisite courses to apply to the program (only whole grades are used in calculation).

- Anatomy & Physiology 1 (BI 231)*
- Anatomy & Physiology 2 (BI 232)*
- Anatomy & Physiology 3 (BI 233)*
- Microbiology (BI 234)*
- Math in Society (MTH 105) or higher
- Academic Composition (WR 121)

*These course cannot be older than five years.

- e.g. Five years from 2024 would be Fall 2019





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Selective Admissions: Application Points Criteria

Application Points:

Like most nursing program admissions, your application success is dependent on a certain amount of points.



Point Breakdown:

- Support Courses
(30 points maximum)
- HSRT-AD Score
(30 points maximum)
- ATI TEAS Score
(40 points maximum)



**Fall 2024 Nursing cohort: may be admitted under the '23-'24 or '24-'25 catalog year support course requirements, but not a combination of the two. Fall 2025 Nursing cohort: will be admitted under the '24-'25 catalog year support course requirements only.*

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Selective Admissions: Application Points Criteria

Support Courses – up to 30 points:

Must have a “C” or better in these courses to get points.

Highly encouraged to take ALL of these courses by the application deadline.

5 classes = 30 points
4 classes = 24 points
3 classes = 18 points
2 classes = 12 points
1 class = 6 points
No classes = 0 points

- FN 225
- WR 122 or WR 227
- PSY 215
- CH 104 or CH 221*
- AH 115, COMM 115, COMM 218 or COMM 219

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Selective Admissions: Application Points Criteria

Course Expiration Re-Cap:

All of these courses expire after five years:

- Anatomy and Physiology series
- Microbiology
- Chemistry



*Your English, math, psychology, human relations, and nutrition classes do not expire.



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HSRT-AD Exam – up to 30 points:

- Health Science Reasoning Test, Associates Degree
 - Scenario-based/critical thinking test
 - Up to 2 chances the first year you apply to the program; 1 chance per application year after (application takes highest score of all attempts) tests taken before your first application year will count toward your two total attempts.
 - Must be taken at COCC – seats fill quickly, reserve your seat early.
 - Download Critical Thinking Insight application for sample questions – choose the Sample Reasoning Skills Questions





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Selective Admissions: Application Points Criteria

ATI TEAS Exam – up to 40 points:

- Test of Essential Academic Skills
 - Scholastic aptitude test
 - Up to 2 chances the first year you apply to the program; 1 chance per application year after (application takes highest score of all attempts); tests taken before your first application year will count toward your two total attempts.





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Selective Admissions: Application Status

Application Status:

Application **EMAILS** will be sent by mid July (no earlier than July 15). There are four types of application statuses:

- Selected (approved to register in nursing courses)
- Alternate (up to 6 spots) – have guaranteed admission the following year
- Not selected – may reapply next year if desired
- Ineligible Applicants – application not considered for selection because application requirements not met by deadline (e.g. missing/expired pre-requisites, pre-req. GPA below 3.0, and/or out-of-district residency status); may reapply next year if desired



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Selective Admissions: Application Status

Selected Status:

Receive admittance package:

- Drug screening
- Criminal background check
- Immunizations
- Healthcare Provider (HCP) card through American Heart Association



If you decline your seat, you will be required to apply the following year, the program does not defer admissions

*See Nursing Program Entrance and Technical Standards and Policies document for criminal history and immunization info (on COCC's website).



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Alternate Status: Will be notified of their position on the wait list

- Will be granted conditional admittance if an admitted student declines (may be granted as late as a week before the term start date)
- Guaranteed admittance the following year; No action needed until acceptance packages are sent the following year
 - **If you decline your alternate seat, you will be required to re-apply the following year – the program does not defer admittance if you choose not to accept your alternate seat**



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Selective Admissions: Application Status

Message from Financial Aid: Plan Ahead!

Because the Nursing Program is longer than most, the credits per term vary between 9 and 11 credits (i.e. it will not be full time enrollment)

- Financial Aid is based on a student's enrollment status
 - 9-11 credits is considered 3Q Time
 - Grants and Scholarships = **50-70%** (depending on the fund)
 - The exception is the COCC Foundation Scholarship and some OSAC Scholarships
 - All other aid must follow federal regulations.
 - Will impact Veteran Housing Allowance as well
 - Always talk to your Academic Advisor, the Financial Aid Office and the Veteran Certifying Official before adding a course that is not **required** for your program.





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Message from Financial Aid: Plan Ahead!

- Timing is everything
 - Financial aid is “disbursed” (applied to student accounts) on the 2nd Friday of the term
 - Any refund is sent the 3rd week of the term
 - Books and Supplies
 - COCC Bookstore credits are available about 3-4 weeks prior to the start of the term. (As long as financial aid is fully processed and the student has sufficient funding)
 - Any pre-admission expenses – CPR certification, Immunizations, etc. – will need to be covered by the student until financial aid is available the 3rd week to reimburse those expenses (if sufficient funding exists)





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Not Selected or Ineligible Statuses: Will be notified with ranking or ineligibility reason

- Apply next year (need to submit a new application every year)
- Talk to your advisor; if ineligible, you may need to retake courses, provide transcripts or wait for in-district residency status
- ***Have a Back-Up Plan!***



Sign up for an info session:
<https://www.cocc.edu/departments/allied-health/>



Schedule An Appointment With Your Advisor

Once you apply to COCC and submit any transcripts, schedule an appointment with the Pre-Nursing Advisor in CAP Services.



Schedule an appointment by calling CAP Services at **541.383.7200**



Questions?

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