ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING CURRICULUM SHEET

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The Associate Degree Nursing Program has special admissions requirements. These requirements are in addition to those completed for PCC general admission. Until students complete the special admissions requirements and are accepted into the Associate Degree Nursing Program, they are enrolled as an Associate in General Education (AGE) major or special credit student.

PCC does not offer an LPN-RN transition program. PCC does not accept transfer students currently enrolled in another nursing program except for extenuating circumstances, such as military relocation.

The following steps must be completed **prior** to applying to the Associate Degree Nursing Program:

- □ Complete an application for general admission to Pitt Community College.
- □ Submit official transcript from high school or high school equivalency diploma. Applicants with a bachelor's degree are exempt.
- □ Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- □ Meet with assigned Advisor.
- □ Check your myPittCC email account for important announcements on a regular basis.
- □ Read the Health Sciences Essential FAQs.

By completing these steps, students have not applied for or been accepted into the Associate Degree Nursing Program. Applying to the Associate Degree Nursing Program is a separate process and not allowed until all of the following application criteria and minimum prerequisites are met.

Application Criteria:

- □ Must be a high school graduate or hold high school equivalency diploma.
- □ Must have a **minimum 2.5 GPA** in general education and recommended courses for the Associate Degree Nursing Program (see page 2).
- □ Proficiency in math required as exhibited by one of the following criteria:
  - high school GPA of 2.2 or higher within the past 10 years; or
  - successful completion of DMA 010-040; or
  - successful completion of MAT 070; or
  - completion of college-level math with a C or better; or
  - completion of MAT 003 with grade of P2.

  Applicants with a GPA older than 10 years that meet none of the math requirements listed must take the placement test and achieve a score of 70 or better. Applicants who score less than 70 must successfully complete MAT 003 with grade of P2.
- □ Must have a **minimum total score of 59% on the TEAS** within the past 3 years counting back from the date of enrollment in the program. *Applicants should consult an academic advisor to determine the best time to take the TEAS. Refer to the TEAS Testing Guide for information on preparing and registering for the TEAS.*

Minimum Prerequisites to Apply (must be completed or in progress at time program application is submitted):

- □ **BIO 168** with a C or better within the past 10 years counting back from the date of enrollment in the program.
- □ **BIO 169** with a C or better within the past 10 years counting back from the date of enrollment in the program.
- □ **ENG 111** with a C or better.
- □ **High school chemistry or one semester of college-level chemistry with a lab** with a C or better (no time out).

Once you meet all application criteria and minimum prerequisites for the Associate Degree Nursing Program, submit the online Associated Degree Nursing application. **Applications may be submitted from September 1 through 5 p.m. on February 15 for those applying for the following fall semester.** For assistance with the online application, contact Health Sciences Admissions at (252) 493-7473 or hltscadm@email.pittcc.edu.

Admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program is competitive. Applicants compete for admission based on the sum of quality points and points earned for TEAS. Applicants earn quality points by completing the general education and recommended courses required for the Associate Degree Nursing Program with a C or better (see page 2). To calculate quality points, multiply the number of credit hours for each general education course successfully completed with a C or better by the quality point value assigned to the grade earned (A=4, B=3, C=2). The best grade earned for general education and recommended courses is used to calculate total quality points and GPA. *Refer to the Health Sciences Essential FAQs for details on how quality points are calculated.* TEAS points are awarded based on the highest total score earned: total score of 90% or greater earns 20 points, between 76% and 89% earns 12 points, between 66% and 75% earns 6 points, between 59% and 65% earns 0 points.

- Pitt County Schools Health Sciences Academy (PCSHSA) graduates who participated in the Health Sciences Academy in their junior and senior years of high school, earned college credit for general education courses required for their program of interest with an "A" or "B," and fulfilled all responsibilities of the Health Sciences Academy program will receive a 10% increase to their quality point calculation. These points are awarded to PCSHSA graduates who have graduated within five years prior to enrollment in a health sciences program at PCC. PCSHSA graduates are not guaranteed acceptance into any health sciences program.

Applicants will be notified by email (myPittCC email) of their acceptance status no later than April 30. Please do not contact health sciences admissions regarding your acceptance status until this notification date has passed.

Applicants accepted to the Associate Degree Nursing Program will be required to submit active Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification from the American Heart Association by July 1. Instructions for submitting BLS Certification will be included in the acceptance letter.

General Education and Recommended Courses: The grades in these courses earn quality points toward admission to the program.

SEMESTER	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)	PREREQUISITES
F,Sp,Su	ACA 111*	College Student Success (1)	None
F,Sp,Su	BIO 168	Anatomy and Physiology I (4)	DRE 098 or ENG 002 with grade of P2 or ENG 111; and [DMA 010, DMA 020, and DMA 030] or MAT 003 with grade of P1
F,Sp,Su	BIO 169	Anatomy and Physiology II (4)	BIO 168
	CHM	High school chemistry or one semester of college-level chemistry with a lab	
F,Sp,Su	ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry (3)	DRE 097 or ENG 002 or BSP 4002; Corequisite: ENG 011 if applicable
F,Sp,Su	ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disc (3)	ENG 111
F,Sp,Su	HSC 110*	Orientation to Health Careers (1)	None
F,Sp,Su F,Sp,Su	HUM 115 or PHI 240	Critical Thinking (3) or Introduction to Ethics (3)	HUM 115: DRE 098 or ENG 002 or BSP 4002. PHI 240: ENG 111
F,Sp,Su	PSY 150	General Psychology (3)	DRE 098 or ENG 002 with grade P1
F,Sp,Su	PSY 241	Developmental Psychology (3)	PSY 150

*Course is not required. However, points are awarded toward admission.

You must be formally admitted to the Associate Degree Nursing Program to take NUR courses.

SEMESTER	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)		SEMESTER	COURSE	TITLE (CREDIT HOURS)
Fall I	NUR 111	Intro to Health Concepts (8)		Fall II	NUR 211	Health Care Concepts (5)
Spring I	NUR 112	Health-Illness Concepts (5)		Fall II	NUR 212	Health System Concepts (5)
Spring I	NUR 114	Holistic Health Concepts (5)		Spring II	BIO 271*	Pathophysiology (3)
Summer I	NUR 113	Family Health Concepts (5)		Spring II	NUR 213	Complex Health Concepts (10)

*BIO 271 must be taken in the spring II semester in conjunction with NUR 213.

Total Credits for AAS Degree: 69

A grade of C or better is required in all courses to graduate from the Associate Degree Nursing Program.
Exception: RIBN students must achieve a minimum grade of B in BIO 168 and BIO 169.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to complete a clinical practicum. Clinical facilities may require criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship prior to or during participation in the clinical portion of a program. Any expenses associated with these requirements are the responsibility of the student. Pending the outcome, clinical facilities may deny a student the opportunity to complete the clinical portion of a program. A student who is unable to complete the clinical portion of a program will not be able to graduate. Criminal background checks, drug screenings, credit checks, professional license checks, and/or proof of US citizenship may also be required after graduation by examination boards, state licensing boards, and employment agencies. Pending the outcome, a graduate may be disqualified from examination eligibility, state licensure, and/or employment.

Students admitted to health sciences programs are required to have a physical examination to determine if they are physically and emotionally capable of performing the essential functions of the program and must submit a completed medical form. A record of immunizations, including, but not limited to, an annual Influenza vaccine and the COVID-19 vaccine must be included with the medical form. A medical or religious exemption for vaccines must be approved by the clinical site(s). PCC does not grant vaccine exemptions in lieu of the clinical site(s) and does not guarantee vaccine exemptions will be approved by the clinical site(s).

Programs at PCC that prepare students for professional licensure are designed to prepare a student to apply for applicable licensure in North Carolina. In order to ensure whether the program meets requirements for professional licensure outside North Carolina, PCC recommends the student contact the program director prior to enrolling in the program.

It is the policy of PCC not to discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, handicap, religion, age, or national origin in the recruitment and admission of students; the recruitment, employment, training, and promotion of faculty and staff; and the operation of any of its programs and activities, as specified by federal laws and regulations. PCC is an equal opportunity institution.

Health Sciences admissions policies are not to be regarded as an irrevocable contract between PCC and students. PCC reserves the right to change any provisions or requirements at any time. Every effort will be made to minimize the inconvenience such changes create for students.