Nursing Admission
How to prepare and apply to FSCC Nursing
Approved by: Kansas State Board of Nursing through 2018

Accredited by: Accrediting Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) through 2020
You have a genuine interest in becoming a Registered Nurse

Make an Appointment to meet with the Program’s Director, Mr. Bill Rhoads, RN, MSN.

Apply to the Nursing Department at FSCC’s Burke Street Campus. Indicate which campus is your first priority.

Apply to Fort Scott Community College online. Provide the Registrar’s Office with HS and any College Transcripts, ACT or Compass results.

Take Pre-Requisite Courses and have or obtain active CNA or MHT.

Take TEAS exam and meet entrance requirements with 58.7 or Proficient Category or higher.

3.0 GPA in Pre-Requisite courses

Applications are then reviewed with highest admission points filling available positions.
A to B – Getting Started

**Point A**
- College Algebra or Applied Math for Nursing
- English 101
- General Psychology
- Nutrition
- Anatomy and Physiology: within 7 years

**CNA**

**Point B**
- TEAS-Proficient Category or higher
- 3.0 GPA in Pre-Requisite Courses
- 17 Credit Hours
- Must be a Complete Application
- Nursing Application Health Form Latex Form
- 3 Endorsements

Nursing Application

Pre-Nursing

Due May 1 or December 1
# Course Sequence – Generic Student

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3.0 GPA required in these 5 courses/17 credit hours

TEAS-V exam prior to semester close when application is to be considered

CNA or MHT Certification prior to Nursing Semesters

## First Nursing Semester
- Fundamentals of Patient-Centered Care
  - NUR 1118
  - 8

- Health Assessment
  - NUR 1213
  - 3

- Developmental Psychology
  - PSY 1023
  - 3

  *CPR if needed*

## Second Nursing Semester
- Child Bearing Family PCC
  - NUR 2312
  - 2

- Pediatric PCC
  - NUR 2323
  - 3

- Mental Health PCC
  - NUR 2333
  - 3

- Pathophysiology
  - ALH 2263
  - 3

- Pharmacology
  - NUR 2253
  - 3

  *Total 14 Chrs*

## Third Semester
- Basic Med/Surg for Patient-Centered Care
  - NUR 1228
  - 8
  - (Microbiology
  - BIO 1245
  - 5

  *Total 13 Chrs*

## Fourth Nursing Semester
- Acute & Complex M/S for Patient-Centered Care
  - NUR 2518
  - 8

- Leadership & Management of Patient Care
  - NUR 2542
  - 2

- Capstone Clinical Immersion
  - NUR 2531
  - 1

- English 102 or Public Speaking
  - ENG 1023 or SPE 1093
  - 3

  *Total 14 Chrs*

**Nursing 41 Hrs**

**General Education 31 Hrs**

**Total 72 CHrs**
Our Administrative Assistant initially reviews files for missing application requirements and notifies students by letter. Students need to make sure we have correct contact information.

The Faculty Selection Committee reviews files and worksheets and enters information into an Excel Spreadsheet.

The TEAS score becomes the tie-breaker if needed when students have the same number of admission points.

The Program Director reviews all potential candidate files for completeness and creates a Excel worksheet that calculates admission points.

Students with highest admission points are selected until we reach capacity.

The Department sends out acceptance or denial letters prior to break for Christmas or Memorial Day.
Acceptance Letter will contain:
- Letter of Intent
- Deposit = 1st Semester’s Fee (non-refundable)
- Uniform Order Form
- Health Requirements
- Nursing Orientation Information
- Criminal Background Check

Getting from C to D

- Update immunizations that are required
- Get a TB Skin Test or Chest X-Ray
- Attend Nursing’s Student Orientation – Required!
- Order your Uniform from Meridy’s
- Classes begin
  Obtain CPR certification if not already certified

Return required forms within 10 business days. Program fees to be paid by loans, grants, or financial aid needs to be indicated on the letter of intent form.
Nursing uses knowledge from multiple disciplines, especially science, social sciences, and math.

A nurse must be a good reader who can comprehend and apply content. A nurse has to like and care for all kinds and types of people, the community, and global health concerns.

Although General Biology and Basic Chemistry are waived at FSCC, the content of these two courses is on the TEAS exam, and these courses are strongly advised prior to taking the TEAS exam.

Get yourself and your issues in order prior to starting. Nursing is a tough program on its own without any other life’s drama.

Make sure your family and friends will support you while you are in school.

Work out financial aid, scholarships, grants, loans, etc.

Come ready to work hard and to be rewarded for hard work.

Students are expected to come to class prepared.
Apply to the Nursing Department early; don’t wait until the last minute. Check with the Department to make sure we have received all of the required application documents.

Pay close attention to anything sent to you from the Department pertaining to your file and your application.

There are policies and procedures in place to insure that all students are treated fairly and ethically. Use the correct forms and submit them on time.

There is no guarantee of acceptance, even if one meets entrance requirements.

If taking non-FSCC courses that will be considered for admission, make sure the instructor is willing to email your course grade to the Nursing Department. Waiting for them to be posted to transcripts will be too late.

Respond to the letter of acceptance by the deadline. Your place may be given to the next person on the wait list.

If Financial Aid is paying for the deposit fee, indicate that on the Letter of Intent form.

If not accepted, inform the program if you wish to be considered for the next admission cycle.
LPNs and Advanced Standing

FSCC does not have an LPN opt out option.
We participate in the Kansas Articulation Agreement where up to 40% of the Nursing curriculum can be waived for Kansas licensed LPNs.
16 hours of Nursing courses in first and third semesters are held pending completion of the program, when they are then placed on transcript.
(8 hours of Fundamentals and 8 hours of Basic Medical/Surgical)

LPNs must complete the Generic Student entrance requirements and also take the following courses prior to entrance except for needing CNA certification:
- Health Assessment
- Developmental Psychology
- Microbiology

To enter at the appropriate level of the program, LPNs must score into Level II or III on the ATI, PN Comprehensive Medical/Surgical Exam. If 0 or Level 1, the LPN must also take Basic Medical Surgical Course.

LPNs also take the LPN to RN Transition Course in the summer prior to starting or between their two semesters.
Articulation Agreements

Information is available on Nursing’s webpage
Miami County Campus

Students are admitted to MCC only in the fall semester. Our Interactive Distance Learning (IDL) system broadcasts 1st and 3rd semesters in the fall and 2nd and 4th semesters in the spring.

All lab must be done at the Burke Street Campus in Fort Scott. To have equity for students, we cannot duplicate nursing labs at MCC. This is an approval and accreditation issue.

All clinical rotations are done through agencies of the Burke Street Campus in Fort Scott. We do not have access to south Metro KC area facilities related to existing competition for clinical sites by other nursing programs.

Students are always welcome to attend lecture at the Burke Street Campus. When lab days or skills check-offs are scheduled, the student is expected to be at the Burke Street Campus in Fort Scott.
Questions? More Information?

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