



FORT SCOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF NURSING

Advanced Standing/LPN Nursing Student Admission Procedure

Students transferring to FSCC from another nursing program or articulating as an LPN must meet the same requirements as generic nursing students. *A program of study is individualized based on each individual's academic preparation.* NOTE: FSCC requires at a minimum of 15 credit hours be completed at FSCC to qualify for graduation and program completion.

Step 1.

Fort Scott Community College is an equal opportunity institution. In order to be admitted to the community college, an applicant must:

- a. Complete the FSCC admission application.
- b. Submit to the Registrar's Office a high school transcript or GED.
- c. Submit to the Registrar's Office "official" transcripts from all colleges and/or universities attended.
- d. Complete the Accuplacer exam or submit placement test scores if needed.
- e. Admission to the college does not automatically mean admission to the nursing program.

Step 2.

The nursing program admits students selectively based on admission points determined by GPA in the prerequisite courses, performance on the HESI Admission Assessment Exam, a complete application file submitted by the deadline, and 1 point if all prerequisites are completed at FSCC. The number of admissions is determined by the Kansas State Board of Nursing and available faculty and clinical agencies.

- Students must complete the following prerequisite courses with a 3.0 GPA:
 - a. Anatomy and Physiology 5 credit hours
 - b. General Psychology 3 credit hours
 - c. English 101 3 credit hours
 - d. College Algebra or Applied Math for Nursing 3 credit hours
 - e. Nutrition 3 credit hours

FSCC must "front-load" the following courses related to semester scheduling for LPNs.

- f. LPNs – Health Assessment 3 credit hours
- g. Microbiology 5 credit hours
- h. LPN – Psychology of the Human Lifespan 3 credit hours

- Nursing does not use a cumulative GPA for determining admission points.
- Required science courses must be within seven years of admission.
- Students are allowed to repeat a course in the curriculum sequence one time. Students may only repeat a total of two pre-requisite courses to meet entrance requirements. Grades below "B" are considered failure for nursing courses and below "C" for general education courses.

- Students must submit a complete application by May 1st for a fall admission and by December 1st for a spring admission. A complete application includes:
 - a. Nursing Application form
 - b. Health Record form
 - c. Latex Allergy form
 - d. Three (3) Reference forms with positive endorsements.
- Students will complete the HESI Admission Assessment Exam with scores at or above the 75%. Students may take the exam a maximum of two (2) attempts per semester.
- The Kansas Nursing Academic Progression Model guides articulating Kansas LPNs into the program.
 - LPN students are encouraged to take the nursing semester for Basic Medical Surgical Nursing but may opt to test out of NUR1228 by successfully completing a Comprehensive Medical/Surgical Exam.
 - Upon successful completion of the Comprehensive Medical/ Surgical Exam, *16 credit hours for Fundamentals and Basic Medical/Surgical* nursing courses will be held in “escrow” until program completion, when they will be placed on the transcript for degree completion.

Step 3.

Acceptance is based on number of available openings and admission point ranking. Only applicants whose file is complete by the respective deadline will be considered. Only “official” transcripts with final grades will be used. In the event of a tie, the HESI Admission Assessment Exam score will be used to determine applicant selection.

HESI Category		All FSCC PreReq's	GPA (Prerequisites)	
90%	3 points	1 point	3.8 – 4.0	8 points
80%	2 points		3.7 – 3.79	7 points
75%	1 point		3.6 – 3.69	6 points
			3.5 – 3.59	5 points
			3.4 – 3.49	4 points
			3.3 – 3.39	3 points
			3.2 – 3.29	2 points
			3.0 – 3.19	1 point

Step 4.

Selection and acknowledgement:

- Selected applicants will be notified in writing and given ten (10) business days to accept their position by returning the Letter of Intent and non-refundable deposit.
- Applicants who are not selected will be notified in writing.
- In the event of a vacancy, the opportunity to enter the program will be given to the next highest qualifier.
- Applicants who were not accepted must reapply in writing and meet entrance requirements in place at the time of the new application process.
- Files of applicants who do not notify the department for reapplication will be discarded.