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

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Getting from A to B

A

1. You have a genuine interest in becoming a Registered Nurse

B

2. Make an Appointment to meet with the Program’s Director

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

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

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

6. Take HESI Admission exam and meet entrance requirements with 75% or higher score.

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

**Point B**
- HESI Admission Exam with 75% or higher
  - 3.0 GPA in Pre-Requisite Courses
  - 17 Credit Hours
  - Nursing Application
  - Health Form
  - Latex Form
  - Endorsements

- Must be a Complete Application
- Due May 1 or December 1

CNA
**FSCC Nursing Curriculum**

- Anatomy and Physiology
- General Psychology
- English 101
- College Algebra or Applied Math for Nursing
- Nutrition 1

**Prerequisite Courses**

- Anatomy and Physiology: BIO 1255
- General Psychology: PSY 1013
- English 101: ENG 1013
- College Algebra or Applied Math for Nursing: MAT 1083 or ALH 2423
- Nutrition 1: NUT 1213

Total 17 CHrs

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
- Health Assessment: NUR 1213
- Psychology of the Human Lifespan: PSY 1023

Total 14 CHrs

**Second Nursing Semester**

- Child Bearing Family PCC: NUR 2312
- Pediatric PCC: NUR 2323
- Mental Health PCC: NUR 2333
- Pathophysiology: ALH 2263
- Pharmacology: NUR 2253

Total 14 CHrs

**Third Semester**

- Basic Med/Surg for Patient-Centered Care: NUR 1228
- Microbiology: BIO 1245

Total 13 CHrs

**Fourth Nursing Semester**

- Acute & Complex M/S for Patient-Centered Care: NUR 2518
- Leadership & Management of Patient Care: NUR 2542
- Capstone Clinical Immersion: NUR 2531
- English 102 or Public Speaking: ENG 1023 or SPE 1093

Total 14 CHrs

**Nursing 41 Hrs**

**General Education 31 Hrs**

Total 72 CHrs
Getting from B to C

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

The Faculty Selection Committee reviews files and worksheets.

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

The Program Director reviews all potential candidate files.

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!

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.

Order your Uniform from Meridy’s

Classes begin
Obtain CPR certification if not already certified
Plan A - Prepare

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, these courses are strongly advised prior to taking the HESI Admission 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.

Compliance with deadlines and program requirements are a direct reflection of your professionalism and ability to succeed in the nursing profession and directly reflect you as an individual.
Plan B – Application Tips

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.
FSCC does not have an LPN opt out option. We participate in the Kansas Academic Progression Model. 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
- Psychology of the Human Lifespan
- Microbiology

Fundamentals of PCC NUR 1118 is waived for the LPN certificate/license. LPNs are encouraged to take Basic Med-Surg NUR 1228, but do have the option to test out through a comprehensive med-surg exam.

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

RN to BSN

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 1\textsuperscript{st} and 3\textsuperscript{rd} semesters in the fall and 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 4\textsuperscript{th} 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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