



# Practical Nursing (PN)

## Admissions Information

Pending final approval from the North Carolina Board of Nursing (NCBON), Piedmont Community College (PCC) will be starting a Practical Nursing (PN) diploma program in the Spring of 2024.

### General Information about the PN program

- **Three semester diploma program**
  - Anticipated start: Spring 2024 (January each year)
  - Anticipated graduation: Fall 2024 (December each year)
- **Slots available**
  - There will be approximately 48 students admitted to each cohort

### Prerequisites to Admissions

- **To be completed before applying to the PN program**
  - Apply to Piedmont Community College (PCC)
  - Submit official high school and college transcripts to PCC
  - Apply for Financial Aid
- **Meet course placement requirements by one of the following ways**
  - Provide proof of an unweighted high school GPA of 2.8 or higher
  - Transfer college credit for English and Math
  - Provide proof of completion of an Associate's or Bachelor's degree
  - Provide proof of satisfactory scored on ACT, SAT, GED, HiSET, NCDAP, COMPASS, ASSET or ACCUPLACER
  - Demonstrate mastery on RISE English placement test 2 and RISE Math placement test; or successfully complete ENG 002 through Tier 2 and MAT 003 through Tier 1

### General Education Requirements

- **ENG 111: Writing and Inquiry** (3 credits)
- **MAT 110: Math Measurement and Literacy** (or higher-level equivalency) (3 credits)
- **PSY 150: General Psychology** (3 credits)
- **BIO 163: Basic Anatomy and Physiology\***(5 credits) *BIO must be completed prior to admissions.*
  - *\*Note: Students considering pursuing additional nursing degrees are strongly encouraged to take BIO 168: Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credits) and BIO 169: Anatomy and Physiology II (4 credits) (with a grade of "C" or higher)*

## Applying to the PCC PN Program

- Admission to the PN program is based, in part, on the allocation of quality points as listed below:
  - **Grade in BIO 163 or BIO 168/169:**
    - A = 20 points
    - B = 15 points
    - C = 10 points
  - **Grade in ENG 111**
    - A = 12 points
    - B = 9 points
    - C = 6 points
  - **Grade in PSY 150**
    - A = 12 points
    - B = 9 points
    - C = 6 points
  - **Grade in MAT 110**
    - A = 12 points
    - B = 9 points
    - C = 6 points
  - **Resident status**
    - Caswell County = 5 points
    - Person County = 5 points



**Maximum Total Points = 61**

## Program Core Course Information

*Note: The following PN core courses can only be taken once officially admitted into the PN program.*

- **Spring: NUR 101: Practical Nursing I (11 credits)**
- **Summer: NUR 102: Practical Nursing II (10 credits)**
- **Fall: NUR 103: Practical Nursing III (9 credits)**

## Timelines for Admission

Complete application packets must be submitted to the PCC Admission department no later than **September 1**. Applicants will be notified of admission decisions by **November 1**. Applying does not guarantee admission. Returning students must reapply and will follow the current plan of study if the readmission is approved.

## Contact Information

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