

PRACTICAL NURSING

Selective Admission Process: this program requires a separate application in addition to the admission to the college; all application deadlines are firm

Application Period: January 20, 2022 through April 8, 2022

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE EACH ACADEMIC YEAR

Special Note from the Dean of Health and Human Services office:

Due to potential effects of the COVID-19 crisis, the below described Fall 2022 selection processes to CFCC's health sciences are subject to change. If any changes arise involving CFCC's ability to adhere to the information below, CFCC will reserve the right to make adjustments and will make every effort to communicate these to the applicants in a timely manner.

The Practical Nursing (PN) curriculum prepares individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to provide nursing care to clients and groups of clients throughout the lifespan in a variety of settings.

Graduates of this program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN), which is required for practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). Employment opportunities include a wide variety of health care settings such as hospitals, long-term care facilities, clinics, physician's offices, industry, and community health agencies.

APPLICATION PROCESS

It is the nursing applicants' responsibility to ensure that all requirements are met by the established deadline. Nursing deadlines, guidelines, and policies apply equally to all students; thus, there can be no exceptions.

The Practical Nursing faculty conduct detailed information sessions that are held during the spring semester of 2022 (see PN website for specifics). Note: attendance is beneficial but does not provide points for the Fall 2022 application period.

Admission to any and all educational programs offered by Cape Fear Community College is made without regard to race, color, sex, national origin, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status or other irrelevant factors.

The Practical Nursing program at CFCC requires a separate application as it is selective admission. Students must complete an "Intent to Apply" during the application period. This is done electronically and can be accessed at the program website: www.cfcc.edu/practical-nursing.

Prior to completing the "Intent to Apply", prospective students must first be accepted for general admission to Cape Fear Community College. Below are the steps for acceptance to CFCC:

1. Complete the CFCC General Admissions Application, which includes the Residency Determination Application. For students that have applied to or have taken classes at CFCC previously, the application has to be active. If the prospective student has not attended classes at CFCC for one year (12 months) or longer, they must reapply and be accepted prior to filing an "Intent".

2. Request official transcripts from a regionally accredited high school/High School Equivalency agency. High School/High School Equivalency transcripts must indicate the date graduated. Official transcripts are those received either electronically, by mail or by hand delivery to CFCC in the original, sealed envelope from the awarding institution or agency. If the prospective student graduated from a North Carolina public high school within the past three years, they may request that an official high school transcript be sent electronically to the Admissions Office via the College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) website at www.cfnc.org. The official school administrator for home schooled students must submit a copy of the home school's approved registration from the state in which they are registered (if applicable), and a home school transcript with graduation date. All students selected to the program must have graduated from high school at the start of the program or have earned the equivalent credentials.
3. Request official transcripts from **all** colleges and/or universities attended (if applicable) be mailed or electronically sent to the Admissions and/or Records Office. These will be reviewed for possible transfer credit. Note: transcripts from Masters or Ph.D. programs are not required. Transcripts from colleges that are not regionally accredited may be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Once accepted to CFCC, students must meet the minimum requirements listed below and then need to file an "Intent to Apply" electronically during the application period:

1. **Applicants must meet minimum English and Math requirements.** Any parts of the criteria below can be combined to meet the requirements. *Official transcripts and/or test scores are required.*
 - An Associate's Degree or higher **OR**
 - An unweighted U.S. High School GPA of 2.8 or higher regardless of graduation year or NC Community College Adult High School (AHS) unweighted GPA of 2.8 or higher **OR**
 - New: High School Career and College Ready Graduate (CCRG) Enhanced English IV score of 80 or higher on Tiers I and II AND
 - High School CCRG Math score of 80 or higher on Tiers I, II, and III OR Math 3 End of Course (EOC) score of 4 or higher **OR**
 - Completion of **English Composition I or higher** (or its equivalent; i.e. ENG-111 in the North Carolina Community College common course library) **and College Algebra or higher** (or its equivalent; i.e. MAT-171 in the North Carolina Community College common course library) with a grade of "C" or better at a regionally accredited college (Note: if both requirements are met via CFCC transfer credit, then skip to bullet no. 2 on page 3) **OR**
 - Successful completion of Developmental (Transitional) English and Math classes at a North Carolina Community College (only) that would allow placement into ENG -111 and MAT-171 **without co-requisites** **OR**
 - Completion of an NCDAP, Accuplacer (Classic, not Next Gen.), RISE, or COMPASS Placement Test with English and Math placement into ENG -111 and MAT-171 **without co-requisites**, regardless of completion date.

	NCDAP Placement Test	Accuplacer Classic (Not Next Gen.)	RISE PT	COMPASS
ENGLISH	English Composite score of 151	Reading Comprehension and Sentence Skills combined score of 166	Score of 70 in Tiers I and II	Reading + Writing= 151
MATH	Score of 7 in DMA Modules 10-60	Arithmetic score of 55 AND Elementary Algebra score of 75	Score of 70 in Tiers I, II, and III	Pre-Algebra= 47 AND Algebra= 66

- ACT or SAT English and Math scores that would allow placement into ENG -111 and MAT171 **without co-requisites** (see charts below).

	ACT After 03/2014	ACT 2012-02/2014	ACT 2010-2011
ENGLISH	English Score is 18+ OR Reading Score is 22+	English Score is 18+ OR Reading Score is 21+	English Score is 22+ OR Reading Score is 22+
MATH	Math Score is 22+	Math Score is 22+	Math Score is 22+

	SAT After 03/2016	SAT 2012-03/2016	SAT 2010-2011
ENGLISH	Evidence Based Reading/Writing Score is 480+	Critical Reading Score is 500+ OR Writing Score is 500+	Reading Score is 510+ OR Writing Score is 510+
MATH	Score of 530+	Score of 500+	Score of 510+

Other tests:

“GED Credential 2014+” version: Score of 165 or higher in all 4 subject areas; versions prior to “GED Credential 2014+” are not approved by the NC Systems Office for placement (official GED transcript is required to be sent to CFCC).

HiSet Diploma: Score of 15 or higher on all 5 subject areas AND a score of 4 on Essay (official HiSet Transcript is required to be sent to CFCC).

Any placement tests may be taken only twice within twelve (12) consecutive months. If an applicant has tested more than twice in twelve consecutive months, only the first two attempts will be considered in the application process. Placement test scores which violate the testing policy will be disregarded.

If a placement test has been taken at another community college, it is the student’s responsibility to ensure that an official copy of the score report is received by Cape Fear Community College prior to the application deadline.

Accommodations for testing due to a documented disability may be made with the Disability Support Services office in the Union Station Building (U-218) or call (910) 362-7012 or (910) 362-7158.

2. **Students must have an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher in all post-secondary coursework completed at Cape Fear Community College.** After an “Intent to Apply” has been filed, the student must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 to enter the program in the fall. If the student’s CFCC cumulative GPA is below 2.5 at the time of filing an “Intent to Apply” and they have not been enrolled in CFCC for one year (12 months) or longer, they may be eligible for *Academic Forgiveness* (see 2021 – 2022 catalog for more information).

3. **FILE “INTENT TO APPLY”**

An “Intent to Apply” for the Practical Nursing Program may be completed **ONLINE** during the application period of January 20, 2022 through April 8, 2022. Students must visit the programs’ website (www.cfcc.edu/practical-nursing/), study the instructions, and click on the “File My Intent” button to proceed. Students must make sure to complete all required fields/areas all the way to the end and then

submit the form. If the “Intent” is approved, i.e. all eligibility requirements are met, the student will receive information in their CFCC e-mail account explaining the next steps. This e-mail includes instructions on how to register for the PSB test. Applicants must file the “Intent to Apply” prior to the end of the application period. Students who file an “Intent to Apply” and do not meet the minimum requirements will receive an e-mail addressing the missing items. Once eligible, they may re-file their “Intent” as long as it is prior to the end of the application period. Note: If technical difficulties are encountered, students may contact the CFCC Helpdesk at 910-362-4357.

“Intent to Apply” Checklist for the Practical Nursing Program:

- Admitted to CFCC (by Admissions) or that the application status is active
- Official high school transcript is on file at CFCC
- Official college/university transcripts (if applicable) are on file at CFCC
- Meet English and Math eligibility (see pages 2-3)
- Overall GPA at CFCC of 2.5 or higher (criteria waived if there is no established GPA at CFCC)

Note I: Having an active registry of CNA I or II is not part of meeting minimum requirements to apply; it awards points (see page 6 for details).

Note II: Having completed all general education courses that are part of the PN program is also not required in order to complete the selective admissions application to PN.

Note III: If general education courses are completed prior to the start of the program, this does not decrease the number of semesters required for this program. It takes three semesters to complete all nursing classes.

4. **PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES BUREAU (PSB) ADMISSIONS EXAM**

Students who meet the minimum application requirements will receive instructions on how to register for the Practical Nursing PSB exam following the successful completion of their “Intent to Apply”. Due to testing limitations related to COVID-19, **applicants to the PN Program may take the PN PSB only ONCE for this application period.** Those who have taken the Practical Nursing PSB for PN in previous years should be aware that only score totals from the two most recent eligible attempts within the last 5 years from the date the “Intent to Apply” is filed will be considered. **The highest overall score of the two most recent eligible tests will be used on the point count. We will not create a new score using the highest points in each test category. If a student is planning to use a test taken at another college, the official test report must be on file by April 21, 2022. NOTE: ALL TESTING MUST BE COMPLETED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 21, 2022 and must be on file in the Health Science Enrollment Center at CFCC in order to be considered for the PN program. Test results received after April 21, 2022 will not be accepted.**

Note: There are three types of tests offered by the PSB testing company: a test for RN, for PN, and for the Health Occupations (HO). Students need to make sure they select the PSB for PN during the application process.

Flexible Testing Options:

Applicants may take the PN PSB exam off campus at any available Pearson Test Center or on campus on a limited basis at the CFCC Union Station Testing Center.

Note: Students are encouraged to file an “Intent to Apply” to the PN program as early as possible during the application period to ensure that they have multiple testing options to choose from. Once on campus test dates are full, the only option for testing may be off-site.

PSB has indicated that the current cost of the PN PSB test will be \$60.00 for the CFCC on campus option and \$100.00 when using an offsite Pearson test center (additional fees may apply). CFCC does not determine the cost of the test and will not function as payee. Payment for the test will be part of the test registration process (Financial Aid does not cover the cost of the test). CFCC will have access to test results upon completion of the test for both options. In terms of the selection process, one option does not provide a point count advantage over the other.

All available on campus test sessions for the PN PSB application period will be displayed on a scheduling calendar that will be accessible after the student’s “Intent to Apply” is approved.

An off campus option to test at any available Pearson Test Center will also be available as a choice. It may provide a greater number of testing dates, times, and locations. If an applicant who has completed a successful “Intent to Apply” indicates that the off campus option would best fit their needs, they may have a “testing window” of up to 30 days to complete the off campus testing process.

Regardless of the 30 day “testing window” that Pearson allows for the off campus option, ALL TESTING MUST BE COMPLETED ON OR BEFORE April 21, 2022 in order to be considered for the PN program. Test results received after April 21, 2022 will not be accepted.

After filing an eligible “Intent to Apply”, students needing accommodations for the PSB, should contact Disability Support Services (DSS). Testing must not be scheduled via the above described scheduling calendar. The scheduling of the accommodated test must be coordinated by the staff of DSS and CFCC Testing Services. Note: Offsite testing may not guarantee appropriate accommodations.

Detailed information about the PSB registration process for BOTH options will be provided in the email correspondence the student will receive after the “Intent to Apply” is approved (check CFCC email inbox thoroughly and frequently).

Students are not allowed to schedule multiple test dates (on campus or off campus) with the intent of making adjustments at a later time. If it is determined that multiple tests are scheduled for one potential applicant, all test reservations will be cancelled.

Rescheduling a previously confirmed test date is strongly discouraged. If a critical emergency should occur, the student will need to request that their test date be removed (by contacting Testing Services for on campus tests; for off campus follow test company’s guidelines). At that point, they may then be able to schedule a new test date using the initial testing registration process described above.

Note: It is the student’s responsibility to schedule their test in a timely manner. CFCC cannot guarantee testing availability on campus as seat capacity is limited. If testing is not completed and the official test result is not received by the Health Science Enrollment Center at CFCC on or prior to APRIL 21, 2022, the student’s “Intent” will become ineligible for the PN selection process.

A study guide for the PSB Exam can be accessed at: <https://cfcc.edu/testing-services/take-the-psb-exam/>. It is recommended that students purchase a PSB study guide. These are available for purchase online and in some book stores. **In addition, the staff in the CFCC Learning Lab (910-362-7496) may be able to provide**

resource materials to help prepare for the PSB exam. The student may also visit the testing company website at psbtests.com.

In order to be considered an applicant to the Practical Nursing Program, a student must meet the minimum score requirements on the PSB of the **30th percentile** in each of the following **six (6) areas: Verbal, Arithmetic, Non-Verbal, Spelling, Judgment and Comprehension, and Natural Science.** The Vocational Adjustment Index section of the PSB does not require a cutoff score, however, percentile scores in this section will count towards the total PSB percentile score on the point count. Students are encouraged to do well in all areas in order to increase their PSB point count total.

Students will have access to test scores after they complete the PSB exam. If the applicant has met the minimum scores of the 30th percentile in the six required areas, they will be invited to review their point count electronically **after the application deadline and after all point counts are completed.** Students will receive a copy of their point count from the Health Science Enrollment Center via CFCC email late Spring 2022, including instructions on how to agree to or recheck the total point count.

Note: Students who meet the cut off score requirement on the PSB test will automatically become *Qualified Applicants* for the PN application pool. No additional application form is required.

Note: If eligible, a student may file an “Intent to Apply” into multiple health science programs. If selected into more than one, the student is required to commit to the program of choice by the deadline stated in the correspondence sent by the Health Science Enrollment Center. Failure to do so in writing will result in the loss of the seat.

Note: Depending of the Health Science program neither federal law nor North Carolina law permits undocumented individuals or those with DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) classification to receive professional licenses. See 8 U.S.C. § 1621(a) and (c)(1)(A). This does not prevent a DACA student from enrolling in a Health Science program but may prohibit the student from receiving a professional license. If students have any questions about eligibility for professional licensure please contact the professional organization’s website.

PRACTICAL NURSING SELECTION PROCESS

The point system was implemented as an objective means for evaluating nursing applicants. ALL documents needed for points must be on file at CFCC prior to the application deadline (April 8, 2022). Points will not be awarded for documentation received after the application deadline. **No points will be awarded for documentation received after the application deadline. If students are currently or were previously enrolled in another college, it is their responsibility to ensure that the final transcript is received by CFCC prior to the application deadline.**

Practical Nursing applicants will be ranked based upon points earned, and the students with the highest number of points will be selected. If two or more students have identical point count totals, the date and time that the “Intent to Apply” form was successfully submitted (i.e. eligibility criteria were met) will be the determining factor.

1. Section A: Non-Coursework (not a minimum requirement- only used for point count)

Nurse Aide

To gain points, proof of current Nurse Aide I **OR** Nurse Aide II Certification must be on file at the Health Science Enrollment Center prior to the application deadline. Students may obtain a copy of their Nurse Aide I certification at www.ncnar.org or a copy of their Nurse Aide II certification at www.ncbon.com.

Successfully completing a CNA I or CNA II course does not satisfy this requirement; certification must be on file.

2. Section B: College Coursework (not a minimum requirement- used for point count and to satisfy program General Education coursework)

High School GPA

Students must currently be a senior in high school and have an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher. If they graduated prior to the end of the application period, points will not be awarded.

College Level Classes

College courses completed prior to the application deadline with a grade of “C” or better will earn the applicant points. Points will also be awarded for credit earned based on AP (Advanced Placement) and/or CLEP examinations. (For point distribution, refer to the attached point count worksheet).

Note: Courses completed in the spring semester (after application deadline) will not earn points.

SPECIAL NOTES:

BIO 163, BIO 168 and BIO 169 must have been taken in the last five (5) years of start date of the Practical Nursing Program. Only the first attempt with a letter grade of “C” or better will be considered for the point count. Points will be awarded if students complete either BIO 168, BIO 169 or both. For 2022 applicants: only valid for points and towards graduation if taken Fall 2017 or after.

If students plan to take BIO 168 and 169 during the Practical Nursing program in lieu of BIO 163, both BIO 168 (with at least a grade of “C”) and BIO 169 (with at least a grade of “C”) *must be completed* by the end of the fall semester of the program.

Note: Students who have questions or concerns regarding transfer credits from other colleges and/or universities must address and resolve their concerns prior to the end of the application period (please contact a staff member at the CFCC Health Science Enrollment Center).

3. Section C: PSB Admissions Test (to be taken once during the specified timeframe after the “Intent to Apply” is approved)

Points are based on the **percentile scores** of all **seven (7)** areas of the PSB Exam -- **Verbal, Arithmetic, Non-Verbal, Spelling, Judgment and Comprehension, Natural Sciences, and the Vocational Adjustment Index** are used in calculating the total number of points earned in this section.

4. Calculation of Total Points

The applicant’s total points are calculated using points for Nurse Aide Certification, academics and the grand total of the PN PSB. The highest grand total of the two most recent eligible PN PSB tests within the last 5 years from the date the “Intent to Apply” is filed will be selected for this calculation. Please refer to

the point count sheet for details. APPLICANTS WHO FAIL TO RESPOND TO THE REQUEST TO REVIEW THEIR POINT COUNT WILL WAIVE THEIR RIGHT TO CONTEST THEIR POINT TOTAL. *Applicant's point counts are confidential; to protect the student's privacy, point count totals can only be discussed with the applicant.*

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Thirty (30) new students may be conditionally admitted to the Practical Nursing Program each fall semester. Students whose status is “alternate” are admitted to the program **only** if someone who was originally accepted, declines the offer of admission, or if someone who was originally accepted becomes disqualified (refer to disqualifying factors). If a student did not meet minimum requirements, was not accepted, or declined admission, he/she must re-apply the following year.

The 30 selected students will be notified when to complete the following information:

1. **Medical Reports**

All completed health/medical reports must be received by specified date as explained during the orientation.

2. **Drug Screen**

A urine drug screen is mandatory. Testing positive on the drug screen, or evidence of tampering with a specimen, will disqualify a student from participation in the clinical assignment, thus resulting in dismissal from the PN program. **Information on obtaining a drug screen will be provided in the orientation.** For further information, students should see the “**Drug and Alcohol Policy**” in the **CFCC Student Handbook**.

3. **CPR**

Students must also submit documentation of current 2-year CPR certification for health care providers (must include infant, child and adult). No online courses accepted. Details will be provided at the orientation.

4. **Criminal Background Check**

Clinical sites require a drug screening and a criminal background check prior to allowing students into the clinical setting (any associated fees will be the responsibility of the student). In addition, certain criminal activity, as evident by a criminal background check may also disqualify a student from clinical participation. Please be aware that failure to participate in a clinical assignment based on either the drug screening or criminal background check will result in dismissal from the Practical Nursing Program. **Information on obtaining a criminal background check will be provided at the orientation.**

A. PROGRESSION POLICY

Students admitted to the Practical Nursing Program must achieve or have achieved a “**C**” in each course in the curriculum in order to progress semester by semester.

Grading Policy

A	Excellent	92-100
B	Good	84-91
C	Average	76-83
D	Poor	68-75

Credits in the PN Program are determined as follows:

Class	1 hour credit for each hour class
Lab	1 hour credit for three hours lab
Clinical	1 hour credit for three hours clinical

A semester credit hour is equivalent to 16 hours of classroom instruction or 48 hours of laboratory or clinical instruction.

B. PHYSICAL AND COGNITIVE EXPECTATIONS OF A STUDENT NURSE

Nursing is a practice discipline with cognitive, sensory, affective, and psychomotor performance requirements. For purposes of nursing program compliance with the **1990 Americans with Disabilities Act**, a qualified individual with a disability is one who, with or without reasonable accommodation or modification, meets the essential eligibility requirements for participation in the nursing program.

Disability Support Services at CFCC provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified students with disabilities, as long as such disabilities, as determined on a case-by-case basis, do not preclude the student from meeting the qualifications considered essential to the program. The essential functions (Technical Standards) are listed below.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

Criterion	Standard	Examples of Necessary Activities (Not all Inclusive)
Critical Thinking	Critical Thinking ability sufficient for clinical judgment	Identify cause-effect relationships in clinical situations, develop nursing plans
Interpersonal	Interpersonal abilities to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and Intellectual backgrounds	Establish rapport with patients/clients and colleagues
Communication	Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal and written form	Explain treatment procedures, initiate health teaching, document and interpret nursing actions and patient/client responses
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room and maneuver in small places	Moves around in patients rooms, work spaces, and treatment areas, administers cardiopulmonary procedures
Motor Skills	Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care	Calibrate and use equipment; position patients/clients
Hearing	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs	Detects monitor alarm, emergency signals, auscultatory sounds, cries for help. Responds to patients in need.
Visual	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care	Observes patient/client responses (i.e. detects change in skin color). Draws correct quantity of medicine in syringe
Tactile	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment	Perform palpation, functions of physical examination and/or those related to therapeutic intervention, e.g. insertions of a catheter

Students who feel they need accommodations should contact the staff of the Disability Support Services office in the Union Station Building (Room U-218) on the Downtown Campus or call 910-362-7012 or 910-362-7158.

C. DISQUALIFYING FACTORS

Students may be denied admission to nursing programs for any of the following reasons:

- A. Physical or emotional health, which indicates impairment in ability to provide safe nursing care to the public.
- B. Conduct not in accordance with the standards of a licensed practical nurse:
 1. has given false information or has withheld material information;
 2. has used any drug to a degree that interferes with his or her fitness to practice nursing;
 3. has deceived or defrauded the public;
 4. has engaged in conduct which endangers the public health.

Accepted applicants will be required to take a **drug screen and submit a criminal background check** prior to starting the program. The college follows agency protocol regarding drug screening and criminal background checks. Without access to the clinical facilities, students will not be able to complete nursing courses with a satisfactory grade.

Students who register for practical nursing classes after acceptance and then withdraw before classes begin or during the first semester will be given the opportunity to apply only one additional time.

D. LEGAL LIMITATIONS OF LICENSURE

Students who enroll in the PN Program should be aware that their application for licensure at the completion of the program may be denied or restricted by the North Carolina Board of Nursing for the following reasons:

- The student practiced fraud or deceit in attempting to procure a license to practice nursing.
- The student has been convicted of a misdemeanor/felony (excluding a minor traffic violation).
- The student is mentally or physically incompetent or uses any drug to a degree that interferes with fitness to practice nursing.
- The student engages in conduct which endangers the public health.

Resources/Assistance

For questions or concerns regarding the selective admissions process, please contact a staff member at the Health Science Enrollment Center at the Wilmington Campus in the Union Station Building (Room U-297); healthsciences@cfcc.edu; 910-362-7139.

TUITION & FEES

Payment methods: cash, check, money order, VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, financial aid, payment plan or third (3rd) party sponsorship. All forms of payment must be received by the Business Office to be officially registered.

Tuition is established by the North Carolina State Legislature and is subject to change without prior notification.

CREDIT HOURS	IN-STATE TUITION	OUT-OF-STATE TUITION	STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES	PARKING & SECURITY FEE	TECHNOLOGY FEES
1	76.00	268.00	35.00	40.00	3.00
2	152.00	536.00	35.00	40.00	6.00
3	228.00	804.00	35.00	40.00	9.00
4	304.00	1072.00	35.00	40.00	9.00
5	380.00	1340.00	35.00	40.00	12.00
6	456.00	1608.00	35.00	40.00	15.00
7	532.00	1876.00	35.00	75.00	18.00
8	608.00	2144.00	35.00	75.00	21.00
9	684.00	2412.00	35.00	75.00	24.00
10	760.00	2680.00	35.00	75.00	27.00
11	836.00	2948.00	35.00	75.00	30.00
12	912.00	3216.00	35.00	75.00	33.00
13	988.00	3484.00	35.00	75.00	36.00
14	1064.00	3752.00	35.00	75.00	42.00
15	1140.00	4020.00	35.00	75.00	45.00
16 OR MORE	1216.00	4288.00	35.00	75.00	36.00

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE: \$15.00 PER SCHOOL YEAR (Health Science Students)

FULL TIME: 12 CREDIT HOURS

3/4 TIME: 9 CREDIT HOURS

1/2 TIME: 6 CREDIT HOURS

Financial Aid

CFCC applies the Department of Education guidelines when awarding financial aid. Financial Aid is calculated based on credit hours or clock hours. The Practical Nursing program uses clock hours to determine eligibility. This means that since the nursing courses do not transfer to the two-year associate degree program, the credit hours have to be converted into clock hours and Pell grant funds are paid based on the number of clock hours.

The college has determined that the program is eligible for financial aid, and funds will be dispersed on this conversion. This means that students will receive less funding than the credit hours indicate.

In addition, the Financial Aid office monitors a policy that is based on federal regulations that establishes a maximum time frame for completion of a program of 150 percent of the published length of an educational program. This means that as a student majoring in Pre- Practical Nursing or a Pre- Health Science program, the student will need to pay careful attention to the number of hours attempted prior to actual admission into the program of choice. Depending on the number of hours attempted prior to admission into Practical Nursing or a Health Science program, a student may not be eligible for enough financial aid to complete the program after they have been admitted.

To make sure students understand this policy and plan ahead in order to use their financial benefits in a wise and timely manner, students are encouraged to consult with the financial aid office located in the Union Station Building (Room U-138) on the Wilmington Campus or in the McKeithan Center (Room NA-100) on the North Campus.

PN CURRICULUM IN SEMESTERS

FALL	PREFIX	PN CURRICULUM COURSE TITLE	CLASS	LAB	CLIN	SEM.HOURS CREDIT
	BIO 163*	INTRO TO ANATOMY/PHYSIOLOGY/MICRO	4	2	0	5
	NUR 101	NURSING I	7	6	6	11
	PSY 150*	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	3	0	0	3
						19

SPRING	PREFIX	PN CURRICULUM COURSE TITLE	CLASS	LAB	CLIN	SEM.HOURS CREDIT
	ENG 111*	WRITING & INQUIRY	3	0	0	3
	NUR 102	NURSING II	7	0	9	10
	PSY 241*	DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	3	0	0	3
						16

SUMMER	PREFIX	PN CURRICULUM COURSE TITLE	CLASS	LAB	CLIN	SEM.HOURS CREDIT
	NUR 103	NURSING III	6	0	9	9
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TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 47

*May be taken prior to the acceptance to the program; only BIO-163 or BIO-168 and 169 expire after five years (for 2022: only valid for points and towards graduation if taken Fall 2017 or after). The other General Education classes do not expire. If General Education courses are completed prior to acceptance in the program, this will not reduce the length of the 3 semester program.

A credit hour equals:

- 1 hour of class
- 3 hours of lab
- 3 hours of clinical

A semester credit hour is equal to 16 hours of classroom instruction or 48 hours of laboratory or clinical instruction

ESTIMATED EXPENSES CFCC PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM

FIRST SEMESTER (FALL)

TUITION/FEES <i>(IN-STATE)</i>	\$1,374.00
TUITION/FEES <i>(OUT-OF-STATE)</i>	4,446.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE	15.00
BOOKS	1,100.00
UNIFORM - BOUGHT BY STUDENT	155.00
STETHOSCOPE	35.00
SCISSORS	10.00
WATCH	35.00
SHOES - BOUGHT BY STUDENT	50.00
LAB KIT	100.00
PHYSICAL	150.00
MISC. FEES	200.00
CERTIFIED BACKGROUND PACKAGE	97.00
KAPLAN PACKAGE	180.00
TOTAL IN-STATE	\$3,501.00
<i>TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE</i>	<i>\$6,573.00</i>

SECOND SEMESTER (SPRING)

TUITION/FEES <i>(IN-STATE)</i>	\$1,374.00
TUITION/FEES <i>(OUT-OF-STATE)</i>	4,446.00
KAPLAN PACKAGE	180.00
MISC. FEES	200.00
TOTAL IN-STATE	\$1,754.00
<i>TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE</i>	<i>\$4,826.00</i>

THIRD SEMESTER (SUMMER)

TUITION <i>(IN-STATE)</i>	\$ 821.00
TUITION <i>(OUT-OF-STATE)</i>	2,549.00
PIN	50.00
LAMP	15.00
CAP	15.00
UNIFORM/PINNING	50.00
GRADUATION FEE	25.00
NCLEX – PN FEE	200.00
LICENSURE	75.00
CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK	38.00
MISC. FEES	200.00
TOTAL IN-STATE	\$1,489.00
TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE	\$ 3,217.00

TOTAL IN-STATE COST OF PROGRAM	\$ 6,744.00
<i>TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE COST OF PROGRAM</i>	<i>\$14,616.00</i>

PRACTICAL NURSING POINT COUNT WORKSHEET FALL 2022

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

(to include but not limited to; see admissions requirements):
 Overall CFCC GPA of 2.5 mandatory
 PSB (minimum cut scores required) mandatory

SECTION A: NON-COURSEWORK

Current Nurse Aide 1 Certification (5 pts) _____
OR
 Current Nurse Aide II Certification (10pts) _____

SECTION B: COLLEGE COURSEWORK

Courses required prior to or during the program as outlined in the college catalog. Points apply if taken prior to the application deadline.

Current high school senior with an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher (15pts) _____

*BIO 163 Basic Anatomy & Physiology (5 sem hrs) A (15pts) _____
B (10pts) _____
C (5 pts) _____

OR
 *BIO 168 Anatomy/Physiology I (4 sem hrs) A (7.5pts) _____
B (5 pts) _____
C (2.5 pts) _____

AND
 *BIO 169 Anatomy/Physiology II (4 sem hrs) A (7.5pts) _____
B (5 pts) _____
C (2.5 pts) _____

***Only the first attempt with a letter grade of "C" or better will be considered for the point count; courses expire if older than five years prior to the start of the program (i.e. must have been taken after August 2017); therefore, points will not be awarded AND cannot use courses towards graduation.**

PSY 150 General Psychology (3 sem hrs) A (15pts) _____
B (10pts) _____
C (5 pts) _____

PSY 241 Developmental Psych (3 sem hrs) A (15pts) _____
B (10pts) _____
C (5 pts) _____

ENG 111 Writing & Inquiry (3 sem hrs) A (15pts) _____
OR Expository Writing B (10pts) _____
C (5 pts) _____

Total Points _____
 (Maximum total for sections A and B is 70)

SECTION C: PSB ADMISSIONS TEST

	Percentile Score
Verbal	_____
Arithmetic	_____
Non-Verbal	_____
Spelling	_____
Natural Science	_____
Judgement and Comprehension	_____
Vocational Adjustment Index	_____

Percentile Score Total _____

(Maximum total for section C is 693)

Please refer to the cut-off scores as outlined in the information packet.

SUMMATION OF POINT TOTALS

Sections A & B _____

Section C _____

Grand Total _____

NOTE 1: If students have the same point count total, the date and time that the Intent to Apply was submitted will be the deciding factor.

NOTE 2: In order to receive points in any of the areas above, all documentation must be on file at CFCC as outlined in the information packet (by the deadline and in the required format).

