

Hillsborough Community College Dale Mabry Campus Health Sciences Admissions

ADMISSION CYCLES - DEADLINES		
Nursing Basic (ASN) January start/Spring – August 15 August start/Fall - May 15	Nursing Transition (LPN) May start/Summer - January 15	

NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION CHECKLIST

We appreciate your interest in the HCC Nursing Program. You need a *complete application* packet to be considered for admission. Note that applicants must be at least 18 years old before or by the first day of the Program's start. The checklist below will help you verify and ensure you completed **ALL** the <u>admission requirements</u> before sending your application to Health Sciences Admissions. Use your initials **only** in the sections that apply to the Program or term you are applying. *Write N/A in the ones that do not apply to you*.

#	ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS	Initials
1	HCC online general admission application: Students who have not attended HCC within the last academic year -three terms or more— must complete a new college admission application. Recent graduates need an active program code. In addition, it is highly recommended that new students complete an HCC Orientation. Click on <u>Orientation</u> International students – Access International Students for admission information. Additional admission requirements might be needed.	
2	Nursing Program application. The student must complete a separate application if applying to more than one Program.	
	 \$53 Health Sciences application fee: (Non-refundable fee) - Send a copy of the application's payment receipt or print screen with the application. Online payment: Access Pay Online for Health Sciences Application. No convenience fee applies. \$10 application fee for the second or additional application form for the exact start term. 	
4	Official high school transcript or GED scores Applicants with an awarded college degree (associate, bachelor, or master, etc.) are not required to submit an official high school transcript. However, an official transcript showing degree must be received before or by the program deadline to waive the high school transcript requirement.	
5	Official transcripts for ALL post-secondary education attended. HCC transcript is not required. If your transcripts have been received, you can check your student account [WebAdvisor - under "My documents"] or check with the Admissions Office at any of the HCC campuses. US college, university, technical institute or center, etc. – All coursework and degrees awarded. Dual Enrollment – College courses completed at a college or university while in high school. A college/university transcript is required. Foreign transcripts - High school and post-secondary out-of-country transcripts will require evaluation and translation by an approved service. Access www.naces.org to find an evaluation/translation service. If HCC has ALL your transcripts, you do not need to resend them. IMPORTANT: It is your responsibility to ensure they are official and are up to date. Click on Transcripts for information on how to submit your transcripts. Requiring transcripts with plenty of time is highly recommended to ensure they are received before the deadline. Late transcripts are not considered.	
6	 AP, IB, CLEP, or AICE scores: Tests completed during high school or college, and the student received college credit. Scores showing successful completion of a prerequisite course must be received before or by the program deadline. Students must request the scores with plenty of time to be received by the deadline. For example, testing sources could take about 10-14 days to process your request. Scores/grades listed on transcripts from other academic institutions are not considered official. 	
7	Completion of ALL prerequisite coursework before or by the program deadline. – New policy – Math and Science prerequisites must be retaken if older than seven (7) years before the deadline. Check Health Sciences Programs Handbook 13 and 14 and meet with an academic advisor.	
8	 TEAS test scores: Students are allowed three (3) attempts per calendar year (January through December) to achieve a passing score of <u>60 or higher</u>. Students must have at least 30 days between attempts. TEAS exams completed before the allowed 30-day interval between attempts will not be accepted for admission, and the application will be incomplete. If the student does not have a prior passing test score, they cannot retake the TEAS <i>until the following calendar year</i>. Passing the TEAS test does not guarantee admission, but not passing assures that the applicant will not be considered for admission. You should access the <u>TEAS test</u>. You will find information about the test and the ATI Testing link to register. 	
9	Copy of current LPN License/certification card. (Applies to Nursing Transition applicants)	
10	Employment verification: (Applies to Nursing Transition applicants) If you completed your LPN Program more than five years ago, you must include an employment verification letter (on official employer letterhead) or an email as proof of 6 consecutive months of full-time employment as an LPN during the last three years.	
11	Other requirements to consider; minimum prerequisite GPA of 2.8 for admission, health requirements for the clinical, background check, and drug	1

IMPORTANT ADMISSION DETAILS:

Deadline: Complete application packet will be accepted no later than 11:59 pm on the deadline date. Applications missing prerequisites or other requirements or documents received after the deadline will be late, not considered, and the application will be incomplete for admission.

Submit your application packet(s): Download the application, complete, save it in PDF file format, and send it as an attachment by email to healthsciences@hccfl.edu. Do not send the application page by page or save through Sharepoint. Remember to use your Hawkmail to send your documents. No other email is accepted. The email subject must have your name, student ID, Program, and term applying. Sending your application by email is the preferred and most efficient method to ensure that your documents are received in a timely manner—no drop-off on campus.

Selection criteria: Admission is based on a complete application packet received before or by the program deadline and the calculated prerequisite GPA. Cumulative/overall GPA is the tiebreaker. Qualified students will be ranked and selected in order of highest to lowest prerequisite GPA. Meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission. Applications will be incomplete if missing transcripts, fee payment, prerequisite, test scores, proof of attendance, license, or received after the deadline. Recommendation letters, voluntary services, college degrees are not considered for admission.

Repeating/Withdrawing from a prerequisite course: (a) New policy. Starting 2022 admission cycles, math and science prerequisite courses MUST BE completed within seven (7) years before the program deadline. It would be best if you visited https://www.hccfl.edu/academics/subjects/health-and-medical/health-sciences-admissions and checked the Health Sciences Programs Handbook pages 13 and 14. In addition, you may review updated information about retakes, deductions, and first successful attempt policies. (b) Deduction will apply to students with more than two retakes seven years or less prior to the deadline. If you have questions, you can contact Health Sciences Admissions or meet with an academic advisor.

<u>Communication:</u> <u>All</u> communication should come and will only be sent to the student's <u>HCC Hawkmail</u>, not Canvas, nor personal email or mail, and it would help to include your HCC student ID. It is highly recommended students monitor their Hawkmail regularly. The admission status notification email will include time-sensitive information; if responses are not received by the deadline given, students will jeopardize the opportunity of admission to the Program.

SIGNATURE

I acknowledge that I have read the information above and submitted all the items listed under the Admission Requirements section.

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NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Fill out this application, and be sure to complete all the requirements before or by the program deadline. Missing requirements will make your application incomplete for admission. Remember to always use your Hawkmail.

PROGRAM ENTRY: When a deadline date falls on a weekend or a holiday, automatically, it is moved to the next business day. Please select the Program and admission cycle you are applying for by checking the appropriate box below. Check only one Program. If you wish to apply to more than one Program, you MUST complete a separate application and pay an additional \$10 application fee.

Fall term (August start) – May 15 deadline

NURSING TRANSITION (LPN)

Summer term – (May start) - January 15 deadline

Spring term (January start) – August 15 deadline

GENERAL INFORMATION: Personal information provided below will be used for admission — not your personal information listed in HCC records. * Required field.							
*Last name	*First Name	Middle Name		*Student ID #		#	
*Previous name (If any)	*Date of birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)		*HAWKN	MAIL:			
*Address:		*City:			*State:		*Zipcode:
*Cell phone:	Home phone:			Othe			

*Applicants must be 18 years old before or by the first day of classes of the Nursing Program.

TRANSCRIPTS: List high school or GED, and ALL post-secondary institutions attended, including HCC and out-of-country institution(s).					
Name of College/University	Attendance	Degree	Name of College/University	Attendance	Degree

As an applicant, you are responsible for ensuring that official high school transcript, GED scores, and official transcripts from all post-secondary (college, university, vocational, technical, military) are submitted to HCC or Health Sciences Admissions before or by the program deadline. An official college transcript is required if you completed college courses while in high school (dual enrollment). An HCC transcript is not required, but you must mention it above. If HCC has already received your transcripts, you do not need to resend them but ensure that your HCC records have your transcripts up-to-date.

TEAS TEST SCORES: List your TEAS test attempts. If you took the TEAS test outside HCC, include a copy of your test(s) scores with your application packet. Important: Students are allowed three (3) attempts per calendar year (January through December) to achieve a passing score of 60 or higher. Students must have at least 30 days between attempts. TEAS exams completed before the allowed 30-day interval will not be accepted for admission, and the application will be incomplete. If the student does not have a prior passing score, they cannot retake the TEAS until the following calendar year. There are no exceptions. TEAS test scores do not have an expiration date.

Facility/Institution	Date	Score	Attempt

ADDITIONAL HEALTH SCIENCES APPLICATIONS
Is this the only limited access Health Sciences Program you are applying this term? Yes, Program No
If no, then please list all other programs for which you will or have applied:,,



NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

PROGRAM SELECTION: Please identify the Nursing Program you are applying by checking the appropriate space.

Nursing Basic (ADN): Program will be offered at the Dale Mabry, Plant City, and SouthShore campuses. Students will not be assigned to a cohort. Students will select their classes based on campus availability during registration (as it is now with registration to general education classes). Therefore, campus time preference cannot be guaranteed.

Nursing Transition (LPN to ADN): Program is for licensed practical nurses, offered at the Dale Mabry Campus only; evening classes will start in the summer term.

NURSING PROGRAM ORIENTATION

Students will be notified of the scheduled date of the Program Orientation in the admission status notification email. The approximate dates for the orientation are: Nursing Basic: Fall term – scheduled in mid-July (second to the third week)

Spring term – scheduled in last week of October or first week of November

Nursing Transition: Summer term - scheduled in late March or early April

Program Orientation could be virtual or in-person. Applicants should not make plans that might interfere with their attendance or participation in the Programs Orientation. Attendance is MANDATORY. No exceptions are made. Failure to attend the orientation will result in the forfeiture of the seat.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR CLINICAL

Upon acceptance into a limited-access Health Sciences Program, students will be required to complete additional admission requirements for clinical participation. For example, a physical exam certified by a licensed physician, up-to-date immunizations, proof of health insurance, and a CPR certification (Basic Life Support for Health Care Providers.) Online CPR courses are not accepted. In addition, CPR certification must follow the American Heart Association guidelines.

HCC does not require the Covid-19 vaccine. However, most hospitals and medical facilities to which a student may be assigned to meet the clinical program requirements will require the vaccine. Also, a student may be required to care for patients ill with Covid-19 during the clinical experience. In addition, an admitted student MUST provide proof of completed vaccination or the start of vaccination by a given deadline or FORFEIT their seat in the Nursing Program.

After the admission status notification emails are sent, the Clinical Liaison Office will provide further information about the health documents required for clinical and instructions on how to complete these requirements.

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION AND DRUG TEST SCREENING

<u>Upon acceptance</u> into the Nursing Program, the student will be required to complete a background check/fingerprint. DO NOT COMPLETE a background check until a notice of acceptance into the Program has been received. The Nursing Program admission status notification email will include the information on how to complete your fingerprints/background check. The cost of the fingerprints/background check is approximately \$50.00. The applicant is solely responsible for the cost of this background check. Background checks are **ONLY** valid for the term you are applying to. Fingerprints/background checks completed outside HCC, or taken for other HCC programs, will not be accepted for admission, clinical sites, or placed for clinical/practicum.

Please be advised that certain certifying agencies for health science professions require that individuals disclose their prior arrest/conviction records. Some agencies will not permit individuals with prior arrest/conviction records to become certified. Should you have a prior arrest/conviction record, you may wish to contact the certifying agency for your Program of choice to clarify whether your record will affect your certification or licensing eligibility. Some of the charges that affect admission and clinical participation, but are not limited to, are felony charges, pending charges, and disqualifying misdemeanors. You may contact Health Sciences Admissions with your questions.

HCC requires all new students to a limited access Health Sciences Program, like the Nursing Program, to be administered a drug screening. The drug test will be administered <u>unannounced</u>. The cost of the drug test is \$38. The drug screening will provide proof that the student is free from the use of any illegal drug and un-prescribed controlled substance. <u>Medical marijuana is</u> <u>not permitted</u>. Students taking any prescribed, controlled medication must provide documentation if requested. A student who fails to complete the required drug screening or the results are positive, will be dismissed from the Program. If interested, the student is eligible to re-apply for the next admission date.

COMMUNICATION

- All communication(s) to and from Health Sciences Admissions will be through HCC Hawkmail, not Canvas or personal email.
- Always include your name and student ID in your emails.
- It is highly recommended students begin to regularly check their HCC Hawkmail after applying. The admission status notification email will include timesensitive information.
- Students who do not respond by the given deadline in the admission notification will jeopardize and forfeit their seat for the Program.
- If you have questions about admissions BEFORE the program deadline, you can email Health Sciences Admissions.
- AFTER a program deadline, inquiries about the status of an application, documents/transcripts, or admission status will NOT be responded to.

PROGRESS OF APPLICATION = WEBADVISOR

- Evaluation period begins after the program deadline. You should check the <u>Admissions Flyer</u> at the end of the application to understand the admission process.
- When the Health Sciences Admissions team reviews and evaluates students' applications, documents and requirements will appear in the student account -- WebAdvisor – My Documents section.
- Not all documents will show as received until they have been reviewed or evaluated by our team. Some forms or requirements take more time to review and show a "Not Received" in the status column. Students might receive an *automatic* email informing them about a missing document or requirement that is required "ASAP." If you know that you sent and completed all the admission requirements, it would be best and help to give time for our team to complete their evaluation. Some documents will show an "UNDER REVIEW" message below or beside the document description. Documents will remain with a "Not Received" status until our team reviews all students' applications. Once they finish their assessment of the document(s), the document/requirement status will be updated.



REMINDERS:

- 1. Applications missing requirements or requirements received after the program deadline will not be considered for admission, and the application will be incomplete.
- 2. Meeting the minimum admission requirements does not guarantee admission to a limited access Health Sciences Program.
- Applicants are encouraged, not required, to submit their Nursing Program application, fee, TEAS test scores, and ALL official transcripts at least 30 days in advance.
- 4. Although screening is not the college's responsibility, the Health Sciences Admissions team will attempt to screen applications for deficiencies. However, the attempt to screen the applications is not guaranteed.
 - It is highly recommended you use the application checklist to ensure the completion of all the requirements. The Health Sciences Admissions team suggests students talk with a friend or family member to assist them and review the checklist and the application documents before sending them.
- 5. Remember to monitor and always use your HCC Hawkmail for all communication about your application(s).
- 6. For general information or questions about your application *before* the program deadline, contact Health Sciences Admissions at <u>healthsciences@hccfl.edu</u>.
- 7. Deadlines are crucial for admission and during your participation in the Program
- 8. No information about a student's admission status, documents, requirements, or GPA will be provided after the deadline.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I certify that all statements in this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that the responsibility of submission, verification of receipt, documentation of submission of all forms, applications, fees, transcripts, evaluations, and certifications by the designated deadline is mine. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of Hillsborough Community College, as published in the Student's Code of Conduct.

I understand that HCC does not require the Covid-19 vaccine, but hospitals or health care facilities to which I might be assigned to meet the clinical program requirements will require the vaccine. Also, I may be needed to care for patients ill with Covid-19 during the clinical experience. In addition, I MUST provide proof of completed vaccination or the start of vaccination by a given deadline or FORFEIT their seat in the Nursing Program.

I also understand that the decision to allow entrance into an HCC program is in no way a guarantee of future employment or licensure. Should I have any questions concerning being licensed, I understand it is my responsibility to contact the **licensing board**.

SIGNATURE

STUDENT ID

DATE

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR APPLICATION, CONTACT THE HEALTH SCIENCES ADMISSIONS OFFICE <u>healthsciences@hccfl.edu</u>.



Hillsborough Community College is an equal access/equal opportunity employer that makes employment and education-related decisions without regard to race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, or any other bias that is or may be prohibited by laws. Employees and students who believe they have been a victim of discrimination or sexual harassment should contact: Ms. Cheryl S. Gonzalez

Chief Diversity Office

District Administrative Offices 39 Columbia Dr., Room 716 Tampa, FL 33606 (813) 253-7037 Email: cgonzalez159@hccfl.edu

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CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMED CONSENT

For acceptance into a Health Sciences program at Hillsborough Community College (HCC) and continuing through enrollment and program completion, you must not have been found guilty, regardless of adjudication, of an offense that would disqualify you from employment in health care or a healthcare setting. If you have unresolved offenses or are on probation, you may be ineligible to be placed in a clinical environment. You must meet all placement standards to participate in Health Sciences programs at HCC, which include requirements mandated by affiliation agreements with clinical sites.

You will submit fingerprints and information about yourself, including your Social Security number, for a Level 2 screening ("Consumer Report"). The results of the background screening will be sent to the HCC Health Sciences Admissions Office. Should you require an exemption from disqualification, you can appeal to the HCC Health Sciences Admissions Office. Not all offenses are disqualifying. If your Consumer Report lists a potentially disqualifying offense, the HCC Health Sciences Admissions Office will contact you for additional documentation or a more in-depth review. Your Health Sciences Licensure Board, where applicable, may or may not allow a graduate from a Health Sciences program who has a disqualifying offense, such as an arrest or conviction, to sit for licensure.

I understand that per the Fair Credit Reporting Act and the Federal Trade Commission, the Level 2 background check described in this Disclosure and Release (informed consent form) is considered to be a Consumer Report. To be eligible as an applicant/student to any HCC Health Sciences program or to continue as a student in a Health Sciences program at HCC, I cannot have a criminal history with a conviction of one or more crimes as outlined in Section 435.03, Florida Statutes.

I understand that effective July 1, 2009, pursuant to Section 456.0635, Florida Statutes, health care boards in Florida or the Department of Health will refuse to issue a license, certificate or registration and will refuse to admit a candidate for examination, as outlined in Section 456.0635, Florida Statutes.

I understand that admission into any HCC Health Sciences program on the basis of the Consumer Report is no guarantee I will be eligible for licensure or future employment. I acknowledge it is my responsibility to contact my Health Sciences Licensure Board to determine criteria based on criminal activity included in my Consumer Report.

I understand that this "Informed Consent" form serves as:

- 1. A clear and conspicuous disclosure by HCC that a Consumer Report, which includes a Level 2 background check, will be completed on me and will be obtained for admissions purposes into any HCC Health Sciences program and that a consumer reporting agency will provide the report to HCC; and
- 2. An authorization from me for HCC to procure the Consumer Report, and an agreement that I will pay for the Consumer Report.

I understand that information from the Consumer Report for admission purposes into any HCC Health Sciences program will not be used in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations.

I understand that HCC certifies that before taking adverse action in whole or part based on the Consumer Report for admission purposes into any HCC Health Sciences program, it will provide me a:

- 1. Copy of the Consumer Report; and
- 2. Copy of my rights, in the format approved by the Federal Trade Commission, which notice shall be supplied to HCC by the consumer reporting agency.

I understand that as an applicant/student, I will be responsible for notifying the HCC Health Sciences Admissions Office at the Dale Mabry Campus within five (5) working days of any arrests and convictions, regardless of adjudication that occur after the application deadline but before the first day of classes. The Chair of the Admissions and Appeals committee will communicate to me whether or not I will remain eligible to enter the Program and will notify the program manager if I am no longer eligible to enter the Program.

I understand that if I am accepted and/or enrolled in any Health Sciences program at HCC and arrested, on or after the first day of class, of any crimes, I must notify my program manager within five (5) working days of the arrest or conviction or any criminal charges pending against me that occur while I am in the Program.

I understand that my failure to notify the appropriate individuals shall be grounds for denial of admission to or permanent dismissal from an HCC Health Sciences program. Further, HCC may require a Consumer Report to be generated on me at any time while I am enrolled in any HCC Health Sciences program, which will be at no cost to me.

I understand that some clinical affiliates/partners/hospitals/agencies may require that the HCC Health Sciences program share the results of the background check, and I agree that HCC may share my results.

Student Signature:	Date:
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Printed Student Name: _____

Student ID #: _____

HCC reserves the right to make changes in the admission criteria and program information, as circumstances require. Original signature copy will be retained in the student's file.

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What happens to your Nursing application?

STUDENT FILE Application X 100'S

SEND YOUR APPLICATION VIA EMAIL to <u>healthsciences@hccfl.edu</u>. No drop-off.

Remember to use your HCC Hawkmail. No other email accepted.



Evaluation of applications. Students arranged and ranked by their prerequisite GPA, from highest to lowest.

Note this information is kept confidential until we complete our assessment and send the admission status notifications to the students Hawkmail.

No questions, information or details are given about an application, requirement or documents after the deadline. Remember, we are evaluating.



Your WebAdvisor will update you on the documents we have worked on.

Your documents are not showing in your WebAdvisor? **Do not panic.** It means we have not started to process and evaluate your application. You can see your documents or requirement but some are showing an ASAP or NOT RECEIVED message in the status column? Check if they have an UNDER REVIEW message beside or under the document. It means that we started to process your application and documents. They are in progress.

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After deadline

Evaluation period begins



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Give us, Health Sciences Admissions team, time to look through all applicants. Every student is different and there are several programs with the same deadline date.



Health Sciences Admissions will sent the *admission status emails* after the program evaluation period to *ALL applicants*. Be aware the evaluation period is subject to change and could be extended depending on the undetermined number of applications received by the deadline.

It is highly recommended you monitor your Hawkmail.

Admissions notifications will include time-sensitive information. What happens if you miss it? You will forfeit the opportunity of a seat in the program. There are not exceptions.



Before sending your application review the application checklist. Get help from a family member or a friend to go through the checklist and ensure you meet all the admission requirements. All specific program requirements and needed documents are listed for your review.

Always use your Hawkmail, your student ID. It helps us at HCC to confirm your identity. Remember to check frequently your Hawkmail until official admission notification is received. Do you have a problem with your student account, your Hawkmail? You should seek assistance and contact HCC Help Desk.

Do you have questions about a document or a requirement? You may email us at <u>healthsciences@hccfl.edu</u> **BEFORE THE PROGRAM DEADLINE**. For further assistance, you can meet with an academic advisor. *Be advised that NO information or details are provided* **after the deadline date**.

-- ALL prerequisite coursework must completed before or by the program deadline. New Prerequisites retakes/expiration policy. Math and sciences prereqs older than seven years Before the program deadline must be retaken. Check Health Sciences Handbook, pages 13-14, or contact an academic advisor.

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- -- Submit official transcripts from ALL academic institutions you attended.
- -- If you complete a prerequisite with AP/IB/CLEP/AICE scores, send them before the deadline. They are considered for admission.
- -- Scores or grades listed in a transcript from another academic institution are not official and do not count for admission.
- -- Nursing (Basic and Transition) students are ranked and selected based on the prerequisites GPA and completion of all the admission requirements by the program deadline. No exceptions.
- -- Minimum prerequisite GPA of 2.8 to apply and be considered for admission.
- -- Be advised, meeting minimum requirements do not guarantee admission. The program is highly competitive. Note that the cut-off prereq GPA varies every term. Do your best!
- -- Recommendation letters, voluntary work, college degree are not considered for admission. Do not have give you additional points or any advantage for acceptance into the program.
- **Evaluation period It can be about 5 to 8 weeks after the deadline date. Be aware, the evaluation period is subject to change depending on the undetermined number of applications received by the program deadline.
- -- Admission status notification will ONLY be sent to your HCC HAWKMAIL, not Canvas, nor personal email.

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