

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

NURSING PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE GENERAL INFORMATION

Petitions for Fall 2015 will be accepted during the following time frames:

Fall (day program) – March 15 – April 15

Petitions **will not** be accepted before or after the above dates.

Criteria for Acceptance into the Professional Phase

In order to be considered for admission to the professional phase of the program, **you must have completed all academic foundations courses and ESL courses**. Students must be matriculated as a Health Science-Nursing major. The following general principles are applied to ensure fairness and objectivity in the acceptance process:

MCCC's Nursing Education Program uses a rubric for admission to the nursing program. Point values will be assigned to petitioning students based on:

- GPA (transfer or MCCC) of 2.5 or higher in semester 1 courses only (ENG101, Math elective, CHE107, BIO103)
- HESI Admission exam score (English language composite and math only)

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- achieve a C+ or higher in BIO 103 (A&P I), BIO 104 (A&P II) and BIO 201 (Microbiology). The C+ requirement for BIO 103, BIO 104 and BIO 201 will go into effect with students who take these classes starting in Summer 2015; for students who have already completed the courses (in or prior to Spring 2015), the passing grade of C is sufficient.
- Successful completion of semester 1 courses (ENG101, CHE107, BIO103, MAT elective).
- GPA (transfer or MCCC) of 2.5 or higher in semester 1 courses (ENG101, CHE107, BIO103, MAT elective) for students petitioning for Spring 2016 and beyond. ***Students petitioning for the Fall 2015 class will use their MCCC cumulative GPA.***
- Score of 80% or higher on the English Language composite portion and 80% or higher on the math portion of the HESI Admission Assessment Exam, in three or fewer attempts.
- For students who are petitioning for Fall 2015 ***only***, and who took the HESI exam ***prior to March 10, 2015***, we will accept either a cumulative HESI score of 80% or higher OR 80% or higher on the English Language Composite and 80% or higher on the math portion. As of March 10, 2015, all students will be required to obtain 80% or higher on the English Language composite portion and 80% or higher on the math portion of the HESI Admission Assessment Exam.

Transfer Credits

Applicants are responsible to ensure that all applicable transfer credits have been evaluated and that any transfer credits have been entered on your Mercer transcript prior to petitioning.

Program-Specific Information

Once an applicant is selected for admission to the professional phase of the Nursing Program, there will be additional health and other requirements that must be completed prior to beginning the nursing program. Please refer to the Nursing Program Admission Information Packet for the specific requirements.

Nursing courses may be attempted only twice. Students who wish to repeat a course must meet the same admissions requirements as all other students. **Readmission is on a space-available basis after all newly qualified and continuing students are registered.**

Notification of Students

All students petitioning for the Fall 2015 daytime nursing program will be notified of acceptance or non-acceptance, in writing, within 2 weeks of the completion of the Spring 2015 semester (May 10, 2015). Please allow sufficient time for processing.

This information is also available at MCCC's nursing website: www.mccc.edu/nursing. For clarification or additional details, contact the Nursing Office (MS127) x3391 or via email at nursing@mccc.edu.

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PETITION TO COMMENCE THE PROFESSIONAL PHASE NURSING PROGRAM

Instructions: Carefully read the information page before completing this petition. Complete this form indicating the required math and science courses you will have completed by the desired starting date. You must attach your HESI score report to the petition. Deposit the completed form in the lockbox outside of MS127 by the appropriate deadline.

NAME _____ MCCC ID# _____

ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ MCCC STUDENT E-MAIL _____

1. Provide current status in the following courses (only show courses completed or in progress):

<u>COURSE</u>	<u>SEMESTER</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GRADE*</u>	<u>COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY</u>
MAT 125 or MAT 141 or MAT 135 or MAT 140 or MAT 200	_____	_____	_____	_____
BIO103 Anatomy & Physiology I	_____	_____	_____	_____
ENG101 English Composition I	_____	_____	_____	_____
CHE107 General & Physiol. Chem.	_____	_____	_____	_____
HESI Exam Overall Score**	_____	_____	_____	
Date Attended Information Session	_____			

*If you are currently registered or enrolled, leave grade blank or write "IP" for in progress. Be sure your MCCC transcript includes transfer courses.

** Attach copies of your HESI Admission Exam score report.

2. Are you an LPN? YES _____ NO _____

3. Signature _____ Date: _____