

*Mercer County Community College*  
*Division of Science and Health Professions*  
*Nursing Program*

READMISSION TO THE NURSING PROGRAM

Purpose: To provide an equal opportunity for readmission into the nursing program, utilizing standardized readmission criteria for all qualified students.

Procedure:

1. Readmission to a nursing course(s) is not guaranteed. Qualified students are readmitted on a space available basis after all progressing students are accommodated.
2. Students who fail or withdraw from a nursing course(s) must submit a letter of intent to return at the end of the semester in which they were unsuccessful or withdrew. Students may continue the next semester in the subsequent specialty course (e.g. NRS122 or NRS222) while repeating the course in which they were unsuccessful or withdrew. This applies only to courses in the second or third semester of the curriculum, and is NOT the recommended strategy. Students may also choose to return and complete only the course(s) in which they were unsuccessful or withdrew. This is the recommended path for students. No specialty course is offered in the fourth semester. Students must have successfully completed all courses before progressing to the fourth semester.
3. Students requesting readmission will be required to complete a HESI exam. Students requesting to return to NRS120, 121 or 122 will be required to complete the Fundamentals HESI. Students requesting to return to NRS220 or beyond will be required to retake the Med/Surg HESI. Testing dates/times will be arranged by the Nursing Director and the students will be required to pay a \$21.00 fee to retake the exam.
4. Readmission to the program will be based on total points earned utilizing the re-admission rubric. Points will be assigned to students based on the following:
  - Date began Nursing I for the first time
  - Current Cumulative GPA
  - Number of Previous Nursing Courses Failed
  - HESI (either Med/Surg or Fundamentals)

Students will be ranked according to the total points received and will fill available seats after all progressing students are accommodated.

Effective Date: February 1, 2012

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