

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

NURSING PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE GENERAL INFORMATION

Petitions for Spring 2016 will be accepted during the following time frames:

Spring (eve/weekend program) – September 1 – October 1

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:

- Cumulative GPA (transfer or MCCC) of 2.5 or higher
- 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).
- Cumulative GPA (transfer or MCCC) of 2.5 or higher
- composite portion and 80% or higher on the math portion of the HESI Admission Assessment Exam, in three or fewer attempts, within the last 2 years.
- Attendance at a Nursing Program Information Session.

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 Spring 2016 evening/weekend nursing program will be notified of acceptance or non-acceptance, in writing, within 2 to 4 weeks following the end of the petition period (October 1st).

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.

