This checklist is to be used as a guide for prospective nursing students. Please understand that it is the student’s responsibility to fully read and comprehend the Admission Policies and Procedures for details. The criteria listed in this packet are valid for the application year 2019-2020.

If you have questions, please seek assistance from a BCC academic counselor or the Nursing Department.

1. Read and understand Nursing Criteria
2. Apply to college
3. Complete ACCUPLACER Test (if required)
4. See Student Services Counselor
5. Obtain Transcripts
6. Complete Pre-requisites
7. Complete TEAS Test
8. Attend a Program Information Session

AFTER ACCEPTANCE

9. Orientation
10. CPR, Health Form and Immunizations (Submit by July 1, 2020)
11. Background check/drug test

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BLADEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ASSOCIATE DEGREE & PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAMS

ADMISSION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Bladen Community College subscribes to an “open door” admission policy. However, due to the complexity of health care, legal responsibilities of nursing practice, and required academic standards, there are selective admission criteria for the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) and Practical Nursing (PN) programs. The ADN and PN programs adhere to the college policy of providing nondiscriminatory, inclusive access for all qualified students who meet these selective admission criteria. Students are admitted to the programs in the fall semester. Student applications will be processed only after all requirements have been met. All requirements must be completed prior to the application deadline in order to be considered for admission in the fall semester. The Associate Vice President of Student Services and staff are responsible for administering all admission policies. The nursing applicant is responsible to ensure that all requirements are met by the established deadline of March 1, 2020.

Guidelines, policies, and deadlines apply equally to all students; thus, there can be no exception. All applicants to the Associate Degree and Practical Nursing Programs must complete the following:

1. Admission Criteria – Nursing Admission Criteria Checklist is available on the Bladen CC home page www.bladencc.edu Go to Academics, Health Sciences, Practical Nursing or Associate Degree Nursing.

2. Application- Complete general college application requirements in the Office of Student Services. Please complete the nursing application on the day of your scheduled entrance test, the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS). (See TEAS schedules)

3. Placement Test – Students must have ACCUPLACER Math scores of 7 or more on DMA-010, DMA-020, DMA-030, DMA-040, and DMA-050; and a composite ACCUPLACER Reading, Writing, and essay score of 151 or higher. If these scores are not met, the applicant must complete the recommended sequence of developmental courses before March 1, 2020. NOTE: Refer to ACCUPLACER Test schedule or the BCC General Catalog for possible exemptions.

4. Program Counseling - Immediately following the ACCUPLACER Test, applicants will be counseled by a member of the Student Services Counseling Staff.

5. High School Transcript - Applicants must have an official high school or high school equivalency transcript sent to the college.

6. College Transcripts – Applicants should have official transcripts from all post-secondary education courses sent directly from the forwarding institution to the college. Student copies are not acceptable.

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7. **Pre-requisites (courses required prior to admission)** - Applicants must have completed the following courses or their equivalents as determined by the Registrar. High School Biology or BIO 110 or BIO 111 must be completed (even if BIO 168, BIO 169 have already been completed). ED2GO classes will not be accepted.

- **Associate Degree Nursing**
  1. *Nursing Assistant Level I Certification with current listing on the North Carolina Nurse Aide Registry, without substantiated findings by May 20, 2020.*
     
     **NOTE:** Applicant must complete the NA I course, testing, and be on the registry prior to the March 1 deadline, unless provisional for May 20, 2020.
  2. ENG 095/DRE 098 or an equivalent
  3. MAT 070/DMA 010-050 or an equivalent
  4. *High School Biology within the last seven years or equivalent- Biology 110 or 111 with a grade of C or better- Must be taken AFTER June 15, 2013.

- **Practical Nursing**
  1. *Nursing Assistant Level I Certification with current listing on the North Carolina Nurse Aide Registry, without substantiated findings by May 20, 2020.*
     
     **NOTE:** Applicant must complete the NA I course, testing, and be on the registry prior to the March 1 deadline, unless provisional for May 20, 2020.
  2. ENG 095/DRE 098 or an equivalent
  3. MAT 070/DMA 010-050 or an equivalent
  4. *High School Biology within the last seven years or equivalent- Biology 110 or 111 with a grade of C or better- Must be taken AFTER June 15, 2013.

*Provisional Admission Opportunity: Students must check "yes" for "Are you a Provisional Student?" checkbox on the nursing application to be considered for provisional admission. Students may be accepted under provisional admission provided students are on the North Carolina Nurse Aide Registry, without substantiated findings, and have completed High School biology, BIO 110 or BIO 111 with a C or better by May 20, 2020. STUDENTS FAILING TO MEET PROVISIONAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR THE ADN OR PN PROGRAMS.

8. **Nursing Entrance Test:** Assessment Technologies Institute, LLC offers the **Test of Essential Academic Skills – ATI TEAS®** for short. This test has four parts:
   - **Reading** – paragraph comprehension, passage comprehension, and inferences/conclusions (53 items, 64 minutes)
   - **Math** – whole numbers, metric conversion, fractions, decimals, algebraic equations, percentages, and ratio/proportion (36 items, 54 minutes)
   - **Science** – science reasoning, science knowledge, biology, chemistry, anatomy, physiology, and general science (53 items, 63 minutes)
   - **English and Language Usage** – punctuation, grammar, sentence structure, contextual words, and spelling (28 items, 28 minutes)

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*Students must score a minimum of 58 on the ATI TEAS Test to be eligible for admission.*
A total of four (4) TEAS scores will be considered for admission. Students are eligible to take one test and submit one TEAS score for each of the following time periods:

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Note: In some instances, more than one TEAS test will be taken during a time period. If this occurs, the TEAS test taken on the earliest date during one of the four time periods will be deemed the eligible score and may be used for the nursing admissions criteria. All other TEAS tests taken during the designated time period will be deemed an invalid score and may not be considered as part of the nursing admissions criteria.

The TEAS is paid for online, with a debit or credit card, on the day of the test. Copies of the ATI TEAS Study Guide, Registration Form, and Testing Schedule can be found by going to the BCC Home Page, by clicking “Menu,” then “Academics,” then “Health Sciences,” and then “Associate Degree Nursing” or “Practical Nursing.” For more information, contact Carlton Bryan, BCC Testing Director, (Building 8 Room 4) at cbryan@bladenc.edu or call (910) 863-6002.

**ACCEPTANCE TO THE PROGRAMS**

1. **Acceptance letters** - Acceptance letters, letters to alternates, and letters to those not accepted to the programs will be sent by **April 15, 2020.** In the event that any student selected declines acceptance, or fails to register during the designated registration period, alternates will be granted admission based upon their rank and the number of positions available.

2. **Orientation** - Prior to the fall semester, students accepted to the ADN and PN Programs must attend a nursing program orientation at BCC in **May 2020.** Handbooks, policies and procedures, uniform and supply information, and other pertinent data will be discussed. Information regarding this orientation will be attached to the acceptance letter.

3. **CPR and Health Evaluation Form** - Submit current health/physical form with proof of current immunizations, TB skin test, and documentation of a seated American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR certification by **July 1, 2020.** Students who fail to submit the required student records by the designated due date may forfeit their seat in the program. Students will not be allowed to enter class until all student records are received. Please note CPR certification must be obtained through a seated course that includes a skills practice component.

4. **Criminal Background Check and Drug Testing** - Be advised that most clinical agencies now require background checks and drug testing before a student may enter their facility. Clinical agencies reserve the right to deny any student access to a facility based on their criminal background or a positive drug test. *If access is denied to the clinical facility, the student

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will be unable to complete the requirements of the nursing program, which will result in immediate dismissal from the program.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND SCORING PROCESS
A point system is used as an objective means for evaluating Associate Degree and Practical Nursing candidates. Applicants are ranked based on a formula that assigns numerical values to specific criteria.

Acceptance into the ADN and PN programs will be based upon the highest composite score on the TEAS Test. In addition to the TEAS score, points are awarded for the following:

- Highest degree obtained (One year allied health degree, two year or four-year degree)
- Any Allied Health Certificate (Phlebotomy, NA II, Medication Aide, EMT, and Pharmacy Tech)
- Attendance to one Information Session

Additional points are also awarded for a grade of “B” or better for the completion of the following related courses. Additional points will only be considered for courses completed prior to December 31, 2019. **BIO and CHM courses must have been completed after June 15, 2013 to be considered in the scoring or evaluation process.**

Additional points for both the ADN and PN programs:

- **BIO 110** Principles of Biology or **BIO 111** General Biology
- **BIO 168** Anatomy & Physiology I
- **BIO 169** Anatomy & Physiology II
- **BIO 275** Microbiology
- **CHM 151** General Chemistry
- **ENG 111** Expository Writing
- **ENG 114** Professional Research and Reporting
- **HUM 115** Critical Thinking
- **MED 121** Medical Terminology I or **OST 141** Medical Terminology I
- **MED 122** Medical Terminology II or **OST 142** Medical Terminology II
- **NUR 117** Pharmacology
- **PSY 110** Life Span Development
- **PSY 150** General Psychology
- **PSY 241** Developmental Psychology
- **Information session July 18, 2019 at 9am (Building 20, room 108)**
- **Information session August 8, 2019 at 9am (Building 20, room 108)**
- **Information session November 7, 2019 at 6pm (Building 20, room 108)**
- **Information session January 6, 2020 at 9am (Building 20, room 108)**

Points are calculated and maintained in the Office of Student Services. A waiting list is **not** maintained from year to year; therefore, interested students must re-apply each year if not accepted in the nursing programs.

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Any questions regarding Readmission or Transfer in the nursing programs should be directed to Sharron Thomas, by email at stthomas@bladencc.edu

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*Courses may be taken prior to admission to the program

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