



Student Selection Criteria – Adult Practical Nursing

IMPORTANT: Required for admission

Minimum 18 years of age when the program begins

Proof of high school graduation or higher education. Document(s) accepted:

- **Official U.S. High School transcript or GED-this is required regardless of other transcripts**
- Official Associate's or Bachelor's transcript
- Foreign transcript evaluation of high school graduation or higher education

Background Check and Drug Screening Clearance All Clinical Requirements Completed

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS):

- *Maximum 40 points*
- The TEAS (The Test of Essential Academic Skills) measures basic essential skills in the academic content area domains of Reading, Mathematics, Science, and English and Language usage.
- Proficient scores generally indicate a moderate level of health sciences-related content. Students at this level can require additional preparation for some objectives assessed on ATI TEAS. Proficient scores are considered between 58.7% - 77.3%. However, scores in this range do not guarantee acceptance. Scores are reviewed annually and are, therefore, subject to change based on current ATI® data. Points awarded are dependent on score earned (see Matrix).
- Practical Nursing applicants may schedule the TEAS in the CTC testing center.

Work Related Experience:

- *Maximum 15 points*
- Practical Nursing applicants will be awarded points based off of current healthcare worker status, a history of working in the healthcare field within the last 5 years or currently volunteering in the healthcare field. Letter from employer and/or volunteer supervisor required. This person cannot be a relative.

Education Background:

- *Maximum 15 points*
- Previous completion of High School Anatomy and Physiology will be awarded points.
- Previous completion of a CNA course will be awarded points. Copy of CNA License required.

Practical Nursing Program Information Session

- *Maximum 10 points*
- Applicants must attend the Practical Nursing information session.
- Students are to bring an updated RESUME to the session - points awarded.

*Tardiness will lead to a deduction in points.

Applicant Interview

- *Maximum 48 points*
- Applicants may choose to participate in the interview process in person or via Zoom meeting. A minimum of two Health Science faculty will conduct the applicant interview.

Professional Online Reference

- *Maximum 30 points*
- Applicants must request an Online Professional Reference submission via your professional reference's email address. It is much preferred that this email be their business email and NOT a personal email. Only professional references will be accepted and these include: co-worker, current or former teacher/instructor, or supervisor/manager, etc. These References will be kept completely confidential and the applicant will never be privy to the reference, even if accepted as a student.