

## **Applying to the Nurse Education Program**

SUNY Corning Community College's (SUNY CCC) Nursing (RN) A.A.S. program is a fall only start program. All applicants meeting the admission requirements by the application deadline will be considered. SUNY CCC maintains a selective admissions process for this program based on academic history, TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills) score, and personal letters of recommendation.

Applicants who are not admitted to the program are encouraged to meet with the Nursing Department Chair or an Enrollment Specialists to identify options moving forward.

We have compiled some of the most common questions we get from prospective students and other information potential applicants may find helpful. If you have any additional questions, please contact the Nurse Education program at (607) 937-1323 or email at [cccnursing@corning-cc.edu](mailto:cccnursing@corning-cc.edu)

### **What personal characteristics are needed to be successful in the nursing field?**

Students who are successful in the nursing program are emotionally mature, academically prepared, self-disciplined, and willing and able to devote a considerable amount of time to the nursing program.

Those most successful in a nursing program:

- Have a strong foundation in the sciences especially in the fields of biology and chemistry
- Thrive under pressure and adapt well in stressful situations
- Employ strong time management skills
- Work well with others but can also be effective working independently
- Enjoy working with and serving people

### **What is the application deadline?**

The Nurse Education Office at the Health Education Center (HEC) must **receive** the application for fall 2022 admission by March 1, 2022 at 11:59 P.M.

### **What basic academic skills are needed in nursing?**

Students successful in nursing have good skills in verbal communication, reading, writing, mathematics, and science.

### **What's the difference between pre-nursing and nursing?**

Students who enroll at SUNY CCC to obtain an Associate in Applied Science in Nursing enter the college as a "pre-nursing" student. Pre-nursing students begin their studies at SUNY CCC enrolled in the Community and Public Health program to prepare to enter the nursing program. Students who do not have the appropriate academic background to begin their studies in the Community and Public Health program at SUNY CCC may be initially placed into a liberal arts major.

Pre-nursing students become nursing majors when they have successfully completed the separate Nursing Program Application and been accepted into the Nurse Education program. This application is reviewed by the Nurse Education Department and notification of admission status is communicated by the Director of the Nurse Education Department.

For students who are entering the college with the prerequisite courses and minimum grades already met, they may apply to the Nurse Education program once they have completed the new student application and been admitted to the college.

The new student admissions application can be found online at

[www.corning-cc.edu/admissions-future-students/application-new-students.php](http://www.corning-cc.edu/admissions-future-students/application-new-students.php)

### **What do I need to apply to the nursing program at SUNY CCC?**

To be considered for admissions to SUNY CCC's Nurse Education program, all prerequisites must be met prior to submitting the Nurse Education Application. *Additional courses identified below are recommended as successful completion of those courses will be considered in the admission process for the nursing program.*

## **Nurse Education Admission Requirements**

All prerequisite courses or equivalent transfer credit must have a minimum grade of "C" for eligibility for admission and must be completed prior to the application deadline. **Meeting these requirements does not guarantee admission to the Nurse Education program.**

To apply for admission to the Nurse Education program, students must:

- Be a matriculated SUNY CCC Student (Admitted to the college through the New Student Admissions Application)
- A minimum cumulative college GPA of 2.75 or minimum high school average of a 77% (or 2.75 HS GPA) is required to be considered for admissions to the program. Grades from all previous college coursework including grades from other colleges will be used to calculate the GPA.
- Be eligible to take ENGL 1010 and MATH 1150 or higher.
- Have completed the following **prerequisite courses**:
  - **Biology:** In the past five years have completed a high school biology/living environment (with a grade of 75% or letter grade of 'C' or higher) OR a college level biology course that is equivalent to Human Biology or Anatomy and Physiology I or Anatomy and Physiology II (with a grade of 'C' or higher). If this requirement is not met then students must complete the following: **Note: For Fall 2022 applicants only this requirement must have been met in the past seven years (successfully completed between 2015 and present)**
    - BIOL 1050 Human Biology or its transfer equivalent at another college or university with a grade of 'C' or higher.
  - **Chemistry:** In the past five years have completed a high school chemistry course (with a grade of 75% or letter grade of 'C' or higher) OR a college level chemistry course that is equivalent to Chemical Principles or Intro. to Organic & Biochemistry (with a grade of 'C' or higher). If this requirement is not met then students must complete one of the following courses: **Note: For Fall 2022 applicants only this requirement must have been met in the past seven years (successfully completed between 2015 and present)**
    - CHEM 1020 Intro to Organic & Biochemistry or CHEM 1010 Chemical Principles with a grade of 'C' or higher:
- Official transcripts, including high school, AP, IB, CLEP, dual credit, and any coursework completed at other institutions, must be on file with the Admissions Office by the application deadline for transfer credit evaluation.
- Be a US citizen or have Permanent Resident Status by the application deadline date

### **Can I apply to the nursing program if I am currently taking prerequisite courses?**

It is required that all prerequisite work must be **completed prior** to applying to the Nursing program. For full consideration to the nursing program all prerequisite coursework must be completed by the end of the winter term prior to beginning nursing coursework in the fall.

### **When are applications opening for the following year?**

Applications are open online in mid-January for admission for the fall entrance for the coming year. For example, applications for fall 2022 will open on January 15, 2022.

*Students must reapply again if not selected for the upcoming semester or if declining admission.*

### **What is the minimum grade point average, GPA, required for admission?**

A cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher is required to be considered for admissions to the program. Grades from all previous college coursework including grades from other colleges will be used to calculate the GPA.

### **What is the minimum TEAS score (Test of Essential Academic Standards), required for admission?**

**IMPORTANT: The TEAS exam is required to be completed PRIOR to submitting the nursing program application.**

A TEAS score greater than 58.7% is strongly recommended. The TEAS exam is not a pass or fail test. There is no minimum requirement for the TEAS score but nursing students who have scored a 58.7% or higher have shown a greater likelihood for success in the nursing program. This factor is taken into consideration in combination with a student's entire academic background along with any supplemental information submitted by the applicant when determining admission status to the Nursing Education degree program. The TEAS exam may be taken two times within one year.

### **Once I meet the prerequisites, how do I apply?**

You must apply to and be accepted to SUNY Corning Community College as a student **before** you submit an application to apply specifically to Nursing. To apply to SUNY Corning Community College please complete the new student application found online at:

[SUNY CCC Admissions Application](http://www.corning-cc.edu/admissions-future-students/application-new-students.php)  
([www.corning-cc.edu/admissions-future-students/application-new-students.php](http://www.corning-cc.edu/admissions-future-students/application-new-students.php))

Admission and enrollment in the Nurse Education program requires completion of the Nurse Education application after initial admission to the college. The selection for entry into the nursing program (courses and clinical) will be determined based on a review of the Nurse Education Application. The application and details of eligibility can be found online at:

[SUNY CCC Nurse Education Information](https://www.corning-cc.edu/academics/nursing/nursing-aas.php)  
(<https://www.corning-cc.edu/academics/nursing/nursing-aas.php>)

### **Beyond the prerequisites, what other courses should I complete that will improve my chances of being admitted to the Nurse Education program at SUNY CCC?**

In addition to completing the prerequisites identified above, successful completion with a grade of 'C' or higher in the following coursework or their equivalents at another college will be considered by the Nurse Education Admission Committee in the admission process:

- ENGL 1010 - English Composition I
- ENGL 1020 - English Composition II
- Math 1150 or Higher
- PSYC1101 - Introduction to Psychological Science
- PHIL1300 - Current Moral Issues
- HLTH 1510 - Introduction to Nutrition
- BIOL 1210 - Anatomy & Physiology I
- BIOL 1210 - Anatomy & Physiology II
- BIO 2010 - General Microbiology

### **Once I apply, when will I hear if I have been accepted or not?**

Applicants who have submitted a completed application and provided all required supporting documentation will be notified of their admission status by the middle of April.

### **Do you admit once or twice a year?**

SUNY Corning Community College Nurse Education program admits once per year, students begin the Nurse Education program in the fall semester.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 1, 2022**

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### Application Checklist

- ☐ A cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher is required to be considered for admissions to the program. Grades from all previous college coursework including grades from other colleges will be used to calculate the GPA.
- ☐ Placement into ENGL 1010 or completion of ENGL 1010 or its equivalent at another college or university
- ☐ Placement into MATH 1150 or higher or completion of MATH 1150 or higher or a equivalent course at another college or university
- ☐ Transcript indicating that within the past five years a high school biology/living environment (with a grade of 75% or letter grade of 'C' or higher) OR a college level biology course with a grade of 'C' or higher has been completed that is equivalent to SUNY CCC's BIOL 1050 Human Biology or BIOL 1210 Anatomy & Physiology I or BIOL 1210 Anatomy & Physiology II; **Note: For Fall 2022 applicants only this requirement must have been met in the past seven years (successfully completed between 2015 and present)**
- ☐ Transcript indicating that in the past five years a high school chemistry course (with a grade of 75% or letter grade of 'C' or higher) OR a college level chemistry course (with a grade of 'C' or higher) has been completed that is equivalent to SUNY CCC's CHEM 1020 Intro to Organic & Biochemistry or CHEM 1010 Chemical Principles.
- ☐ Complete TEAS exam prior to submission of the nursing program application.
- ☐ Complete online application form.

#### Submit the following documents:

- ☐ Copy of High School Transcripts
- ☐ Copy of College Transcripts from SUNY CCC
- ☐ Copy of College Transcripts from all other colleges/universities attended including college coursework completed while in high school
- ☐ Copy of TEAS Score report
- ☐ Optional Essay
- ☐ Minimum of one professional letter of recommendation (please do not submit more than two letters of recommendation unless specifically requested by the Nurse Education Admissions Committee). *Letters of recommendation should come from a person who can attest your academic abilities, work ethic, and personal integrity (i.e. School Counselor, Employer, Teacher, etc.).*

#### IMPORTANT LINKS

- **SUNY CCC New Student Admissions Application**  
<https://www.corning-cc.edu/admissions-future-students/application-new-students.php>
- **SUNY CCC Nurse Education Application**  
<https://www.corning-cc.edu/academics/nursing/nursing-aas.php>
- **TEAS Testing @ SUNY CCC**  
<https://www.corning-cc.edu/community-business/testing-center/ati-teas.php>

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