



MCC's Nursing (RN) A.A.S. program is offered in both the Spring and Fall semesters; 70 students are admitted each semester. All applicants meeting the minimum admission requirements by the application deadline will be considered (see "Admission Requirements" below). MCC maintains a competitive admission process for this program based on a point system. When there are more applicants than seats available, the competitive admission process will be used to distribute seats (see "Selection Criteria" below).

Applicants who are not selected for the upcoming semester, do not meet admission requirements, or who apply after the deadline will be admitted into another program (i.e. Health Studies Clinical Track or Liberal Arts General Studies) and are encouraged to work with an academic advisor toward their goal. Students will benefit from reviewing [MCC's Nursing program information](#), as well as occupational information via [O*NET](#).

Application Deadline and Notification

- Spring 2024 – Application is available **September 21st** with a deadline of **September 30, 2023**. Admission notifications will be sent by **October 31, 2023**.
- Fall 2024 - Application is available **September 21st** with a deadline of **January 31, 2024**. Admission notifications will be sent by **March 15, 2024**.

How to Apply

- Currently enrolled, matriculated students are required to apply online by submitting a major change request for NU01 (sign-in to myMCC, Student Home or Academic Plan tile, Change Major link).
- New, transfer, returning, and non-matriculated students are required to apply through the Admissions Office by completing an [Admissions Application](#).
- Students must reapply each semester if not selected for the upcoming semester or if declining/deferring admission.

Admission Requirements

The following requirements (or equivalent transfer credit) must be completed prior to the application deadline. Science courses must include a lab. High school classes must be at least a one credit course; half credit courses do not meet the required prerequisite. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

- **Math:** Students must be at MCC Mathematics Level 7 or higher (placement based on academic history or the math ACCUPLACER exam); OR have a B- or better in MTH 096; OR a grade of C or better in any of the following: MTH 104, MTH 160, MTH 162, MTH 165 (or higher). Students should consult with an advisor before choosing a math course
- **Biology:** A grade of C or better in high school biology/living environment OR BIO 120, BIO 132 & 133, BIO 134, BIO 142, BIO 144, or BIO 155
- **Chemistry:** A grade of C or better in high school chemistry or CHE 100, CHE 124, CHE 145, or CHE 151
- **ENG 101 placement** (students are not required to have the course complete, but must be ready to take it)
- **GPA requirement** can be met through one of the following ways:
 - 2.75 cumulative GPA OR
 - 2.5 cumulative GPA with a 3.0 GPA in the quality point classes completed prior to the application deadline (ENG 101, PSY 101, PSY 212, BIO 144, BIO 145, and BIO 202)

- Please note: cumulative GPA is calculated using all credit bearing coursework from other colleges; students who have previously attended MCC must have a 2.0 or higher at MCC, even if they meet the GPA requirement through credits at another institution.
- New York State resident or, if international, must have resided in NYS for at least one year.
- All official transcripts, including high school, AP, IB, CLEP, dual credit, or other institutions, must be on file with the Admissions Office by the application deadline.

Please note: Due to COVID-19 during the 2020-2021 school year, interpretation of the high school prerequisite may vary based on the school district's grading policy if a numeric grade is not posted on the high school transcript. For example, in the event that the school district posted "Pass with Distinction/Pass/Fail" grades, only "Pass with Distinction" will be acceptable unless additional documentation from the school district is provided. Please speak to a staff member in Admissions or Advisement to determine prerequisite eligibility.

Selection Criteria

When the number of applicants exceeds the number of available seats in the Nursing program, selection is based on the calculation of **quality points** earned in the following courses (or equivalent transfer credit). **All quality point courses must be completed with a C or better.** Students are then ranked from highest to lowest number of quality points and admission is granted to the students with the most points. See the quality point chart at the end of this document.

Quality Point Classes

- BIO 144 – Human Anatomy and Physiology I (4 credits)
- BIO 145 – Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4 credits)
- BIO 202 – Microbiology (4 credits)
- ENG 101 – College Composition (3 credits) or ENG 200 – Advanced Composition (3 credits)
- PSY 101 – Introduction to Psychological Science (3 credits)
- PSY 212 – Developmental Psychology – Lifespan (3 credits)

Please note the following regarding BIO coursework:

- BIO 144, BIO 145, and BIO 202 must be no more than seven (7) years old when the applicant is accepted for admission.
- Quality points for BIO 144 & 145 will be increased by 25%.
- There is a repeat policy for Anatomy & Physiology; see below.

Additional points will be awarded for the following criteria

- Students who have completed MTH 160 Statistics I or MTH 162 Statistics for the Social Sciences (or equivalent) at the time of application with a grade of C or better will earn five (5) additional points.
- Honorably Discharged Military Veterans or Current Service Members will be awarded one (1) additional quality point.
- Applicants who are a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) will be awarded two (2) additional quality points; current LPN license must be on file with the Admissions Office by the application deadline.
- Applicants with a Bachelor's degree by the application deadline will be awarded four (4) additional points.
- Applicants with a Master's degree by the application deadline will be awarded one (1) additional point.

Anatomy and Physiology Repeat Policy

- No more than one unsuccessful attempt in any Anatomy & Physiology coursework (BIO 144 and 145 or equivalent courses) is permitted within the past seven years. Students with two or more unsuccessful attempts in any combination of the Anatomy & Physiology coursework within the past seven years are ineligible for MCC's nursing program. For example, a student with two unsuccessful attempts in BIO 144 would be ineligible, as would a student with one unsuccessful attempt in BIO 144 and one in BIO 145.
- Unsuccessful attempts are defined as withdrawals (W), grades of C- or below, or Unsatisfactory (U).
- Unsuccessful attempts at other institutions are included in this policy.
- Due to COVID-19, unsuccessful attempts in BIO 144 and 145 at MCC or another institution during Spring, Summer, and Fall 2020 will NOT be counted.

Admission Profile (Spring 2024 admitted class)

- 70 students admitted. Approximately 110 qualified students applied by the application deadline.
- The initial quality point cut off was approximately 50, but varies each semester. The maximum number of possible points is 103.

Additional Notes Regarding Admission

- Admission is conditional upon completion of medical requirements, clearance of existing health problem(s), and ability to meet essential functions (physical and mental demands) of the program. Please review the requirements in the [Nursing Department Student Related Policy Manual](#).
- If admitted to the program, the student's class schedule will be assigned by the Nursing Department.
 - Students must be able to attend face-to-face classes on the Brighton campus, during the day, and have reliable transportation to clinical sites.
- NYS requires associate's level RN graduates to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) within ten years of initial licensure. For more information, see: [BSN in 10](#).
- Students who have previously been matriculated in the Nursing program at MCC or another institution should refer to the re-admission policy as described in the [Nursing Department Student Related Policy Manual](#).
- Grading system notes
 - MCC grades of Satisfactory (S) equate to a C; Pass (P) equates to a D-; and Unsatisfactory (U) equates to an F.
 - Transfer credits earned at institutions who use a S/U or P/F grading system where a S or P equates to a C or higher will receive quality points equivalent to a C.
 - AP scores of 3, 4, or 5 equate to C, B, or A respectively.

Quality Points for 4 credit classes: BIO 144, BIO 145, and BIO 202

Grade	Value of Grade	Quality Point Value	Points increased by 25% for BIO 144 and 145
A	4.0	16.0	20.0
A-	3.7	14.8	18.5
B+	3.3	13.2	16.5
B	3.0	12.0	15.0
B-	2.7	10.8	13.5
C+	2.3	9.2	11.5
C	2.0	8.0	10.0

Quality Points for 3 credit classes: ENG 101/200, PSY 101, and PSY 212

Grade	Value of Grade	Quality Point Value
A	4.0	12.0
A-	3.7	11.1
B+	3.3	9.9
B	3.0	9.0
B-	2.7	8.1
C+	2.3	6.9
C	2.0	6.0