

## Fall 2024 Admission Information Nursing (RN) A.A.S. (NU03)

# 2 Semester Option for Currently Employed LPNs

MCC's two semester Nursing (RN) A.A.S. program (NU03) is offered in the Fall semester only for currently employed LPNs. All applicants meeting the minimum admission 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

The application for Fall 2024 is available **September 21**<sup>st</sup> with a deadline of **January 31, 2024**. Admission notifications will be sent in mid-June.

#### How to Apply

- Currently enrolled, matriculated students are required to apply online by submitting a major change request for NU03 (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 <u>Admissions Application</u>.
- Students must reapply each year 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. **All coursework must be completed with a C or better.** Science courses must include a lab. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

- Math: MTH 160 or MTH 162
- **Biology:** BIO 144 and BIO 145 (please make sure you meet the chemistry prerequisite before taking BIO 144)
- Chemistry: High school chemistry (must be a one credit course) or CHE 100, CHE 124, CHE 145, or CHE 151
- ENG 101 (or 200), PSY 101, and PSY 212
- **GPA requirement** can be met through one of the following ways:
  - o 2.75 cumulative GPA OR
  - o 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

- Completion of Fundamentals of Nursing (equivalent to MCC's NUR 111) via one of the following options:
  - o Graduated from the Isabella Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing program within the past three years.
  - Earned a score of 70 or higher on the National League for Nursing's *Nursing Accelerated Chasing Exam* (NLN-NACE) within the past two years. Students may only attempt the exam once. MCC students can register for the exam or visit www.nlntest.org. Please note: the NLN recommends using your school email address. The SKU for the exam is E-NRF\_1.2. Prior to taking the exam we encourage you to review the NLN Exam Student Guide.
  - o Completed the Excelsior College exam #NURX-210 with a grade of B or better within the past three years. This exam was last offered in August 2022.
- A copy of the student's New York State LPN license must be on file with the Admissions Office by the application deadline.
- Have two years of recent clinical experience as an LPN. (Acute care setting strongly recommended.)
- Complete the MCC Nursing Department Exam for NUR 112 (Nursing Care of the Adult and Child I) with a grade of C or better. This exam is scheduled by the Nursing Department and is administered in April or May.
- 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, 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, specifically 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 and 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

- Honorably Discharged Military Veterans or Current Service Members will be awarded one (1) additional quality point
- 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.

### 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. See requirements in the <a href="Nursing Department Student Related Policy Manual">Nursing Department Student Related Policy Manual</a>.
- If admitted to the program, the student's class schedule will be assigned by the Nursing Department.
  - o Students must be able to attend face-to-face classes on the Brighton campus, during the day, and have reliable transportation to clinical sites.
- If admitted to the program, the Nursing Department will contact students to complete the Application of the Nursing Process (NUR 150) immediately prior to beginning the first clinical course.
- Students will be required to take Foundations of Nursing (NUR 110) concurrently with the first clinical courses.
- NYS requires associate's level RN graduates to complete a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN) within ten years of initial licensure. For more information, see: <u>BSN in 10</u>.
- 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 <a href="Nursing Department Student Related Policy Manual">Nursing Department Student Related Policy Manual</a>.
- Grading system notes:
  - o MCC grades of Satisfactory (S) equate to a C; Pass (P) equates to a D-; and Unsatisfactory (U) equates to an F.
  - o 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.
  - o 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
В	3.0	12.0	15.0
В-	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
$\mathbf{B}$ +	3.3	9.9
В	3.0	9.0
B-	2.7	8.1
C+	2.3	6.9
C	2.0	6.0