



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 admission requirements by the application deadline will be considered. MCC maintains a selective and competitive admissions process for this program based on a point system. Therefore, if there are more applicants than seats available, a competitive admission process will be used to distribute seats (see "Selection Criteria" below).

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements or who are not selected for the upcoming semester will be admitted into another program at MCC (i.e. Health Studies – Clinical Track or Liberal Arts) and can work with an academic advisor toward their goal.

Application Deadline and Notification

- Spring 2022 – Application is available mid-September. The application deadline for Spring 2022 is September 30, 2021. Admission notifications will be sent by October 31, 2021.
- Fall 2022 - Application is available mid-September. The deadline for Fall 2022 is January 31, 2022. Admission notifications will be sent by March 15, 2022.

How to Apply

- Currently enrolled, matriculated students are required to apply online (myMCC, Students tab, My Account tab, Academic Advising, request a change of major).
- 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 upcoming semester or if declining/deferring admission.

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. Science courses must include a lab. All 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.

Please note: interpretation of the high school prerequisite may vary based on the school district's grading policy during 2020/2021 (due to COVID) 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.

- **Math:** Students must be at a minimum of MCC Mathematics Level 7. This can be fulfilled by any of the following: Algebra 2 Trig Regents exam score of 75 or higher within the past 3 years; MTH 096 with a grade of B- or better; a grade of C or better in any of the following: MTH 104, MTH 160, MTH 162, MTH 165 (or higher); or placing at Level 7 or higher via Math ACCUPLACER. Prospective students should consult with an advisor before choosing a mathematics course. Note that while any of these options will qualify a student to apply to the program, MTH 160 is a required course within the Nursing curriculum.
- **Biology:** High school biology/living environment OR BIO 120, BIO 132 & 133, BIO 134, BIO 142, BIO 144, or BIO 155.

- **Chemistry:** High school chemistry or CHE 100, CHE 124, CHE 145, or CHE 151
- **2.75 cumulative GPA required**, including all credit bearing coursework at previous colleges
- US citizen or have Permanent Resident Status by the application deadline date
- New York State resident. (New/transfer/returning, and non-matriculated applicants must be residents of Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, or Wayne counties. Currently enrolled, matriculated applicants may be residents of any NYS county.)
- 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 for transfer credit evaluation.

Selection Criteria

When the number of applicants exceeds the available number of seats in the Nursing program, selection is based on the calculation of **quality points** earned in the following courses at MCC or equivalent transfer credit. 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, must be completed with a grade of “C” or better)
- BIO 145 – Human Anatomy & Physiology II* (4 credits, must be completed with a grade of “C” or better)
- BIO 202 – Microbiology (4 credits, must be completed with a grade of “C” or better)
- ENG 101 – College Composition (3 credits) or ENG 200 – Advanced Composition (3 credits)
- PSY 101 – Introduction to Psychological Science (3 credits, formerly Introduction to Psychology)
- PSY 212 – Developmental Psychology – Lifespan (3 credits)

**Please note: If both BIO 142 (Human Anatomy, 4 credits) and BIO 143 (Human Physiology, 4 credits) were previously taken and completed with grades of “C” or better, they can be substituted for BIO 144 & 145. See repeat policy and time limit information on page 4. Quality points for BIO 142 & 143 or BIO 144 & 145 will be increased by 25% (1.25).*

Additional points will be awarded for the following criteria

- Students who have completed MTH 160 – Statistics or MTH 162 – Statistics for the Social Sciences or transfer 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

Admission Profile (Fall 2021 admitted class)

- 70 students admitted. Approximately 175 qualified students applied for Fall 2021 by the application deadline; over 800 additional students are in the Nursing pathway.

- The initial quality point cut off was approximately 70, but varies each semester. The maximum number of possible points is 103.
- Approximately 85% of the students admitted had completed all six quality point courses by the application deadline.
- Approximately 85% of the students admitted were awarded five additional points for completing the math requirement.
- Approximately 15% of the students admitted had a Bachelor's degree by the application deadline.

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 at: [Health Services](#).
- COVID-19 Vaccination will be required of all students entering Nursing per the NYS COVID Vaccine Mandate for any student who participates in a clinical rotation (effective 8/27/21). Very limited Medical exemptions will be allowed. No religious exemptions will be allowed.
- BIO 142, 143, BIO 144, BIO 145, and BIO 202 must be no more than seven (7) years old for the grade to be considered when the applicant is accepted for admission.
- If admitted to the program, the student's class schedule will be assigned by the Nursing Department. Students must be available to take classes during the day and have reliable transportation to clinical sites.
- NYS requires RN graduates to complete a Baccalaureate of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN) within ten years of initial licensure. For more information, see: [BSN in 10](#).
- Students who have previously been matriculated in a Nursing program at MCC or another institution must refer to the [Nursing Department website](#), Student Policies, "Re-Admission Policy."
- 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.

Anatomy & Physiology Repeat Course Policy

- No more than one unsuccessful attempt in any Anatomy & Physiology coursework (BIO 142, 143, 144, and 145) 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 to apply. For example, a student with two unsuccessful attempts in BIO 144 would be ineligible to apply. Or, a student with one unsuccessful attempt in BIO 144 and one in BIO 145 would also be ineligible to apply.
- Unsuccessful attempts are defined as withdrawals (W), grades of "C-" or below, or Unsatisfactory (U).
- Unsuccessful attempts at previous 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 as an unsuccessful attempt under the repeat policy.

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

Points awarded for grade of C or higher in BIO 144 & 145.

Grade	Value of Grade	Quality Point Value	Points increased by 25% for BIO 144 and 145 (or previously BIO 142 and 143)
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
C-	1.7	5.1
D+	1.3	3.9
D	1.0	3.0
D-	0.7	2.1