



Nursing (LPN-RN) Program Application Process

PLEASE NOTE: CHANGES IN THE APPLICATION CYCLE, PROGRAM LENGTH AND START DATE.

Pueblo Community College Nursing program is changing the application cycle, start date and program length for the LPN-RN bridge program.

A cohort will NOT be accepted for the Fall 2019 semester.

The new application cycle will be September 1 – November 1, 2019 for a Spring 2020 start.

Program length is changing from four (4) to three (3) semesters.

The following steps are required to apply to the Pueblo Community College Nursing (LPN-RN) Program

1. Applicants must have a current Colorado LPN license, in good standing, which must be uploaded to the online application
2. Applicants must have completed the following six (6) prerequisites. All courses must be completed with a C or better. The six (6) courses must have a minimum GPA of 2.5.
 - ENG 121 English Composition, 3 credits
 - PSY 235 Human Growth and Development, 3 credits
 - BIO 201 Anatomy and Physiology I, 4 credits, with lab*
 - BIO 202 Anatomy and Physiology II, 4 credits, with lab*
 - BIO 204 Microbiology, 4 credits*
 - BIO 216 Pathophysiology, 4 credits* (must be completed prior to entry into the second year)

Required General Education Courses – must earn a C or better. Required courses must be completed prior to graduation

- MAT 103 Clinical Calculations or higher college level math
- Elective course – Humanities or Social Behavioral Science. Elective must be from the Guaranteed Transfer Course list. (Must be completed by the end of the last semester)

*All Biology (BIO) courses must be completed with seven (7) years of entry into PCC Nursing Program. The higher Biology grade of the first two attempts will be used to calculate the prerequisite courses' GPA.

NOTE: As of Fall 2020, the science course time limit will be ten (10) years of possible entry into the PCC Nursing program.

NOTE: All official transcripts, as a PDF, must be uploaded into the online application.

3. Take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Version 6 pre-nursing examination by making an appointment at the PCC Testing Center at either the Pueblo campus – 719-549-3091; Fremont campus – 719-296-6116; and Mancos – 970-564-6209. The exam may be taken at other educational institutions. The test takes approximately 3.5 hours and costs \$90. A study guide and additional information is available at [ATI Testing](#).
 - The total adjusted national mean for ADN programs will be the benchmark for applying to the PCC nursing program.
 - Applicants may take the exam a maximum of twice in the 12 months prior to application.

- Exam must be taken prior to applying to the program. Applicants will be required to upload documentation of scores.
4. Complete program admission online application at [Pueblo Community College Nursing](#) web page. Official transcripts and additional documentation must be uploaded into the online application. Applications are submitted between September 1 and November 1 annually.
- Applicants who have submitted a complete application will have their file reviewed by the Admissions Committee. The Nursing Department will not accept any additional application materials after the deadline.
 - Notification letters will be sent after the Admissions Committee has reviewed all applications. Please note that inquiries about the status of an application before the scheduled notification date will only slow down the process.
 - Applicants not accepted for a given year, who wish to be considered for a subsequent term, must reapply.
5. Competitive Ranking
- Provisional admission is based on a merit evaluation. Applicants meeting all admission criteria will be ranked on a point system. A maximum of 55 points will be awarded on the following criteria:
 - Prerequisites courses GPA
 - Completion of general education courses at the time of application
 - Education points
 - Healthcare work experience
 - Residency (Living within PCC service area)
 - All Decisions are made by the Admission Committee are **FINAL!**
6. Accepted applicants are provisional and must successfully pass a background check and drug screen to be registered into nursing courses. All accepted students must complete the following before clinical rotations start:
- Current immunizations – TB, Tetanus, Measles, Hepatitis B, Varicella, and Flu.
 - Current CPR for Health Professionals (2 year).
7. Incomplete applications will **NOT** be processed by the Nursing Admission Committee.
- Any missing required documentation or data, the application will be considered as incomplete and **WILL NOT** be considered.