



Practical Nurse (PN) Program Application Process

February 2024

NOTICE TO STUDENTS

This Practical Nurse Certificate Program is only offered only at the PCC Southwest Campus located in Mancos, Colorado.

THE PRACTICAL NURSING APPLICATION PROCESS
HAS
CHANGED FOR ADMISSION FALL SEMESTER 2023

Please read the program application process carefully. If you have questions, please see an advisor.



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The following steps are required to apply to the Pueblo Community College Practical Nursing Program for Fall Semester 2024 Admission.

STEP 1 **Meet with a PCC advisor to review application requirements and course completion**

STEP 2 **Complete all admission requirements**

Applicants must have completed the following two (2) prerequisites. All courses must be completed with a C or better. The two (2) courses must have a minimum GPA of 2.5.

- ENG 1021 English Composition, 3 credits
- BIO 1006 Basic Human Anatomy and Physiology, 4 credits
(BIO 2101 Human Anatomy and Physiology and BIO 2102 Human Anatomy and Physiology II would be accepted in place of BIO 1006)

NOTE: Biology (BIO) courses must be completed within ten (10) 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.

Nurse Aide course or certification*

Complete the Nurse Aide (NUA1001) skill course within the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) or have a Colorado **CNA certification** from any training facility. Nurse Aide certificate must be in good standing without stipulation. Nurse Aide courses must be completed within seven (7) years of entry into PCC Nursing program. If the applicant is a current Colorado Certified Nurse Aide, in good standing, there is no time limit.

*If NUA coursework is completed at PCC or one of the Colorado Community College System schools **and** you earn CNA Certification you will receive additional application points. (See Nursing Application Scoring tool)

TEAS exam

Take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) Version 7 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 costs around \$90. A study guide and additional information is available at [ATI Testing](#).

- **Reading and Math** will be the only sections required for admission. See the Nursing Application tool for points awarded for each exam score.
- Applicants may take the exam a maximum of twice in the 12 months prior to application.
- If you have a documented disability and require testing accommodations please contact the Disability Resource Center at 719-549-3446 three weeks prior to your testing date.

STEP 3 Application

Complete program admission online application at [Pueblo Community College Practical Nursing](#) web page. Applications must be submitted between **March 1 to May 19, 2024 for Fall 2024 Admission**.

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Upload the following PDF's into the online application:

1. Unofficial transcripts (all required courses and those being considered for additional admission points). Course may be in progress in spring 2024. Final grades must be submitted as soon as possible to the Admissions committee for consideration.
2. TEAS scores (Reading and Math)
3. *Work verification and job description (6 months or greater)
4. *Verification of previous degree (a minimum of Associate degree, if applicable)
5. *Verification of Nurse Aide certificate (if applicable)

***Supplemental items are not required, however are awarded application points. See Nursing Application Scoring tool.**

STEP 4 Application Scoring

Admission to the Practical Nursing program is a competitive process. All decisions for admission are made by the Nursing Department Admission Team using the Practical Nursing Application Scoring tool.

Incomplete applications will **NOT** be processed by the Nursing Admission Team after the application deadline. If there is any missing required documentation, the application will be considered incomplete and **WILL NOT** be scored for application.

STEP 5 Admission

Accepted applicants will receive email confirmation by **the 1st week in June**. It is your responsibility to check your email and spam folders during that time. Admission is provisional pending successfully passing a background check and drug screen. In addition, the following will be required:

- Current immunizations – TB, Tetanus, Measles, Hepatitis, Varicella, COVID and Flu vaccines.
- Current American Heart Association CPR for Health Professionals (2 year).

Please contact Kimberlee Ackles at 970-564-6234 or Kimberlee.Ackles@pueblocc.edu for more information.