

Nursing Application Information

Fall Start: Brooklyn Park Campus

Spring Start: Eden Prairie Campus

Nursing Application Process Overview

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Pre-Nursing Requirements

- ▶ **Human Biology and Anatomy & Physiology** *(all three required)*
 - ▶ BIOL1400 Human Biology
 - ▶ BIOL2125 Anatomy and Physiology I
 - ▶ BIOL2225 Anatomy and Physiology II
- ▶ **Nutrition** *(choose one)*
 - ▶ NURS1015 Nutrition Basics
 - ▶ HLTH2001 Nutrition and Health
 - ▶ BIOL1100 Nutrition and Health
- ▶ **College-Level Writing** *(choose one)*
 - ▶ ENGL1250 Short Form Composition and Reporting
 - ▶ ENGL1100 Writing and Research
- ▶ *If you have taken any of these courses at another college you MUST contact the transfer specialist, to have the coursework evaluated and transferred in.*

Pre-Nursing Courses GPA

- ▶ GPA for the five (5) pre-nursing courses must be 2.5 or above (No rounding)
- ▶ There are no exceptions to this requirement
- ▶ The calculated GPA on the DARS is not correct for this purpose
- ▶ There is a calculation worksheet on the application

**You may repeat each pre-nursing course for a higher grade ONLY ONCE within a 3-year period prior to application*

***Further attempts will not be counted*

Math Requirement

- ▶ Accuplacer score of 261+ or above on the QAS (Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Stats) Accuplacer
 - ▶ 2 attempts are allowed
- ▶ If your score is less than 261, you will take MATH0960 Math Literacy or MATH0940 Beginning Algebra
- ▶ You can check Accuplacer information on your DARS report or email Angel Hoglund, Student Success Advisor, at angel.hoglund@hennepintech.edu to verify your math placement

CPR

- ▶ EMSV1020 CPR/First Aid (need CPR card from that course)
- ▶ CPR through American Heart Association or Red Cross
 - ▶ BLS/CPR for Healthcare Provider
 - ▶ BLS Provider
 - ▶ CPR for Healthcare Provider
- ▶ CPR for non-professionals (Heartsavers) does NOT meet criteria
- ▶ CPR cannot be an online course
- ▶ CPR must be renewed and remain current through the entire program

Sample CPR card

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

BLS Provider



**American
Heart
Association®**

The above individual has successfully completed the cognitive and skills evaluations in accordance with the curriculum of the American Heart Association Basic Life Support (CPR and AED) Program.

Issue Date _____

Recommended Renewal Date _____

Nursing Assistant

- ▶ Successful completion of previous NAHA 1002 Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aid or NAHA 1010 Nursing Assistant
 - ▶ Within the State of Minnesota
- OR
- ▶ On the Minnesota Department of Health registry for Nursing Assistants

**Applicants with certification or courses from outside of Minnesota may challenge the Nursing Assistant certification exams or take NAHA1010*

Course(s) in Progress

- ▶ If you are currently taking a required course, you will not be able to calculate your GPA by application due date, **but you can still apply**
 - ▶ Following successful completion of the required course, grades are verified to continue forward in the application process

Transfer Students

- ▶ You MUST apply to Hennepin Technical College first, transfer in your coursework and have a Hennepin Tech student ID number and email address in order to apply to the program
- ▶ Any nursing courses for transfer will ONLY be evaluated AFTER acceptance into the nursing program AND must have been taken within a one-year period prior to starting the HTC nursing program

Nursing Program/Course Information

- ▶ You will apply to a specific campus
 - ▶ Courses are attended on-campus
 - ▶ Clinicals are attended off-campus
- ▶ Cohort model – students in same cohort will go through the program together
- ▶ BPC starts a new cohort each fall; graduate the following spring
- ▶ EPC starts a new cohort each spring; graduate the following fall
- ▶ 48 students admitted each semester

Degree or Diploma?

- ▶ Students graduating with a degree or a diploma are BOTH eligible to test for NCLEX
- ▶ Diploma requires 49 credits
- ▶ Associate in Applied Science degree requires 60 credits
 - ▶ AAS degree does not provide an advantage for obtaining employment or wages in MN
 - ▶ It does provide students continuing into an RN program, some general education requirements in transfer
 - ▶ You must consult individual programs for specific requirements

Program Overview

- ▶ Two semesters in length
- ▶ Curriculum includes classroom, lab, clinical, and simulation
- ▶ All NURS courses must be completed with a "B" grade or higher (80%)
- ▶ Only one course can be repeated in the program

Curriculum

Nursing courses-you will take one class at a time, register for both:

1st semester

- ▶ NURS1375 Fundamentals of Nursing (8 credits)
 - ▶ 1st half of semester
- ▶ NURS1380 Medical/Surgical I Nursing (8 credits)
 - ▶ 2nd half of semester

2nd semester

- ▶ NURS2375 Medical/Surgical II Nursing (8 credits)
 - ▶ 1st half of semester
- ▶ NURS2380 Transition to Practice (8 credits)
 - ▶ 2nd half of semester

Class Schedule

- ▶ Mondays- presentation of lecture content
- ▶ Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays
 - ▶ Combination of lab, simulation, and clinicals
 - ▶ Open lab & study time
- ▶ Fridays- exams

Clinicals

- ▶ Clinicals are hands-on experiences for students to observe and perform patient care
- ▶ Clinicals will be held in long term care, transitional care, clinics, and other settings in the community
 - ▶ Because some of the clients are fragile in health, students **MUST** be vaccinated for COVID and influenza
- ▶ Clinical hours are typically weekday mornings, this can vary
 - ▶ 6:00 am - 2:30 pm typical, 2:00 pm - 10:30 pm may be scheduled
- ▶ Remember, clinicals are off-campus and requires additional or alternate transportation needs
- ▶ Please consider the time it takes to get to clinicals and plan accordingly

HESI Admission Assessment Exam

- ▶ HESI exam tests 5 separate areas
 - ▶ English Language:
 - ▶ Reading Comprehension
 - ▶ Vocabulary and General Knowledge
 - ▶ Grammar
 - ▶ Math: Basic Math Skills
 - ▶ Science: Anatomy and Physiology
- ▶ HESI Scores for entrance to the Nursing Program:
 - ❑ **Cumulative must be 70% or greater and**
 - ❑ **At least 75% on reading comprehension**

Studying for the HESI

- ▶ The Learning Resource Center offers:
 - ▶ HESI Review Sessions
 - ▶ Connect through Zoom from 8:00am-4:30pm
 - ▶ <https://minnstate.zoom.us/j/96226893398>
 - ▶ Email: tutoring@hennepintech.edu
- ▶ The Hennepin Tech Library & the Learning Resource Center have HESI test prep books
 - ▶ The Library also has access to HESI practice tests online
 - ▶ Library -> Research Tools & Guides -> Practice Tests, Skills Review, and Career Prep
 - ▶ You will need a current library card to log into this service.
- ▶ The prerequisite classes are additional study preparation

HESI Test Dates

- ▶ Following completion of reviewing this presentation, schedule a HESI test date
- ▶ The HESI costs \$48 and this must be paid in-full before testing
- ▶ Arrive to the Testing Center by 8:30am the day of testing
 - ▶ The test starts promptly at 8:45am, no late arrivals are admitted
 - ▶ If you are late, the test is rescheduled to another day
 - ▶ Testers must pay for the missed exam and the next scheduled exam

Online Application

- ▶ The application to the nursing program link will be provided following a passing score on the HESI exam
- ▶ You will need **all** the following to submit your online application:
 - ▶ StarID and password
 - ▶ HESI Score Report (with passing scores)
 - ▶ May submit an approved TEAS score
 - ▶ Copy of current BLS CPR card
 - ▶ Fully completed Immunization form signed

Immunization Form

- ▶ The immunization form is available on the Hennepin Tech website in the practical nursing program information section
- ▶ *Some vaccinations require to be given at least a month apart, so plan accordingly*
- ▶ The COVID-19 Vaccine is required for admission
 - ▶ Students must have at least two (2) doses
- ▶ Influenza vaccination is required
 - ▶ August enrollments, due by October
 - ▶ January enrollments, need current season dose before 1st day of classes
- ▶ Additional vaccinations required: MMR, Varicella, Tdap, HepB
- ▶ The form must be signed by a healthcare provider (clinic printouts are not accepted)

Acceptance to the Nursing Program

- ▶ Email is the official communication at Hennepin Tech
- ▶ **You will be notified via your Hennepin Tech email of acceptance status and registration information**
 - ▶ Email is only confirmation of acceptance to program
 - ▶ Once receiving the email, students may register for classes
 - ▶ Registration for nursing courses CANNOT occur prior to receiving the acceptance email

Following Program Acceptance

- ▶ A welcome letter will be sent with program orientation information
- ▶ Students must have a **clear background study**
 - ▶ "Clear background study" means the student has not been convicted of a *gross* misdemeanor or felony. These convictions also include those NOT against a person, so this is different than the background a student might have done for a nursing assistant position.
 - ▶ Students who have a potential background study issue are encouraged to contact the Minnesota Department of Health now to address the matter
 - ▶ Background study applications will be completed the first week of classes
- ▶ Additionally, proof of freedom from tuberculosis will be needed

Acknowledgment Form – fill out and submit

After thoroughly reviewing the application presentation, please complete the Acknowledgment Form to verify that you understand the application process and requirements.

Click here to access the [Acknowledgment Form](#)

Remember to sign up to take the HESI test. Click the QR code, to register for a test date. If you have any questions, please contact the testing center at: Testing@hennepintech.edu



Questions?

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