

NURSING - PRACTICAL NURSING CERTIFICATE

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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PROGRAM ADMISSIONS

To become eligible for this program, as a recent high school graduate or Early College student, an applicant must satisfy the following requirements:

- One year of high school chemistry, biology, and algebra (or their equivalent) with a minimum grade of “C” in each course.
- Pass the Allegany College of Maryland Placement Assessment including the Anatomy and Physiology Placement Exam or successfully complete all required courses before the first college semester.
- A minimum ACT score of 21 in each section will meet the minimum requirements to apply for admission as a high school student, but meeting the minimum score will not guarantee admission into the program. The average composite score of an accepted student is 25.

To become eligible as a college student currently attending Allegany College of Maryland or transferring from another institution, or any Early College student at Allegany College of Maryland who has waived the senior year at high school and is enrolled as a full-time student, an applicant must satisfy the following minimum requirements:

- Pass the Allegany College of Maryland Placement Assessment including the Anatomy and Physiology Placement Exam or successfully complete all required courses.
- Have a minimum overall college grade point average of 2.5.
- Successfully complete Anatomy and Physiology I (Biology 207). In order to be eligible to enroll in this course, students must have passed the Anatomy and Physiology Placement Exam or successfully completed Biology 93, 100 or 101 with a grade of “C” or better. Students must have appropriate placement scores or a grade of “C” or better in Reading 93 and Mathematics 90 to be eligible for Anatomy and Physiology I (Biology 207). Current enrollment in Anatomy and Physiology I (Biology 207) will be considered in determining eligibility for admission.
- Schedule and take the Nursing Admission Assessment Test for the Nursing program. The test is administered each semester at various times and locations. A list of testing dates is available in the Nursing Office, Admissions Office, and is listed on the college website (www.allegany.edu/nursing/testing-dates.html). Please refer to the Nursing Information Book for more specific information on the test.

Applicants will be ranked using the following factors:

- Scores on the standardized exam (weighted 1/3). The average score for an accepted applicant is 84.
- A point system awarding points for each required course completed and grade earned (weighted 2/3).
- For Anatomy and Physiology 207; Anatomy and Physiology 208; Microbiology 204; and College Algebra 102 or Probability and Statistics 109
 - Each A will be worth 10 points
 - Each B will be worth 8 points
 - Each C will be worth 6 points
 - No points will be awarded for a D or F
- For all other general education courses required for the Nursing program (English 101; Psychology 101 and 203; Sociology 101; and two Humanities electives)
 - Each A will be worth 5 points
 - Each B will be worth 3 points
 - Each C will be worth 1 point
 - No points will be awarded for a D or F

The average point total for an accepted applicant is 56.

Admission to the Nursing program is competitive and not all applicants can be selected.

Applications must be received in the Nursing Office no later than February 28 if the student wishes to be considered for the fall program. **Please contact the Nursing Office or the Admissions Office for complete application requirements.**

The CMA-PN Online program is for currently certified Medical Assistant CMA (AAMA). There is specific admission criteria and deadline dates for acceptance into this Practical Nursing pathway. Interested applicants should contact the Nursing office for detailed information.

A minimum grade of “C” is required in all science coursework; however, note that admission is competitive with grade point average being important. Laboratory science courses taken ten or more years prior to application for admission will not be considered.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

REQUIRED NURSING COURSES

NURS-120	Nursing I
NURS-150	Nursing II
PNUR-106	Mental Health Concepts in Nursing
PNUR-108	Nursing in Society
PNUR-110	Concepts in Maternal-Child Nursing

REQUIRED GENERAL COURSES

BIO-207	Anatomy and Physiology of the Human I
BIO-208	Anatomy and Physiology of the Human II
ENG-101	English Composition I
MATH-102 or	College Algebra or
MATH-109	Probability and Statistics
PSYC-101	General Psychology
PSYC-203	Human Growth and Development (Education 203)

PROGRAM PATH

**PRACTICAL NURSING
ONE-YEAR CAREER PROGRAM
PREPARATION FOR EMPLOYMENT**

SUMMER OR PREVIOUS SEMESTER

Biological Science 207 (Anatomy and Physiology of the Human I)	Credit Hours
	4
Total:	4

FIRST SEMESTER

Biological Science 208 (Anatomy and Physiology of the Human II)	4
Nursing 120 (Nursing I)	9
Psychology 101 (General Psychology)	3
Total:	16

SECOND SEMESTER

English 101 (English Composition I)	3
Mathematics 102 or 109 (College Algebra or Probability and Statistics)	3
Nursing 150 (Nursing II)	9
Psychology 203 (Human Growth and Development)	3
Total:	18

SUMMER SESSION (following second semester)

Practical Nursing 106 (Mental Health Concepts)	1
Practical Nursing 108 (Nursing in Society)	1
Practical Nursing 110 (Concepts in Maternal-Child Nursing)	5
Total:	7
Total Credit Hours:	45

PROGRAM NOTE: All general education classes must be taken either before or with the semester listed in order to progress to the next semester.

All nursing courses must be taken in the sequence listed.

NOTE: All courses specifically identified by course number are graduation requirements for this program.