

# ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR PRACTICAL NURSING

## Information for Student Applicants:

Admission to the Practical Nursing Program is competitive, and the number of students is limited by the number of faculty and clinical facilities available. Meeting minimal requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

### Information for Admission/Selection -

#### Calculation of Points for Students Meeting Minimum Admission Standards:

After meeting all minimum requirements, applicants are **rank-ordered** using a **point system** based on:

- (1) COMPASS Reading scores;
- (2) Points from selected college courses (i.e., ENG 101, MTH 116 or higher) or selected high school courses (i.e. Algebra II or higher level math, highest level Biology, Chemistry); and
- (3) Students may be awarded up to 11 points as determined by individual college policy and procedures.

#### 1. Compass Reading Score (Maximum of 99 points)

COMPASS scores must be within the **past 3 years** for consideration. **Students not meeting the 76 minimum** should seek advisement regarding retesting policies and/or remediation requirements. If student has taken the ACT, the ACT **Reading** score can be used to derive the related Compass score using the crosswalk scores provided by ACT. Currently these scores are:

ACT READING	Related COMPASS		ACT READING	Related COMPASS
17	76		26	94
18	80		27	95
19	83		28	96
20	85		29	97
21	88		30	98
22	90		31	98
23	91		32	98
24	92		33	99
25	94			

#### 2. Points for Grades in Selected College Courses OR Points for Grades in Selected High School Courses

Maximum points 60				Maximum points 60			
	A	B	C		A	B	C
ENG 101	30	20	10	Highest Level Biology (incl. A&P)	30	20	10
MTH 116 or Higher – (MTH 100/MTH 112)	30	20	10	Algebra II or Higher Level Math	30	20	10

**NOTICE - MTH 100 will be required for all 2010 applicants**

**NOTE: Either college coursework or high school coursework will be evaluated – not a combination of both. High school coursework greater than 2 years old will not be used for ranking unless no college work has been attempted.**

#### 3. Additional points (Maximum 11) – Students may be awarded up to 11 points as determined by individual college policy and procedures.

- Calhoun Student = 2 points
- All General Education Coursework Completed = 7 points
- Math 100 or Higher Level Math = 3 points
- GPA 3.5 or higher = 3 points
- GPA 3.0 to 3.49 = 2 points
- GPA 2.6 to 2.99 = 1 point

*A total of 170 points are possible with these selection criteria.*

## STANDARD PRACTICAL NURSE CURRICULUM

### First Term

Course	Theory	Lab	Clinical	Credit	Contact
<b>MTH 116 or Higher (MTH 100/MTH 112)</b> <b>*MTH 100 will be required for 2010 applicants</b>	3	-	-	3	3
Human Anatomy and Physiology I <b>BIO 201</b>	3	1	-	4	5
Fundamentals of Nursing <b>NUR 102</b>	3	2	1	6	12
Health Assessment <b>NUR 103</b>	-	1	-	1	3
Introduction to Pharmacology <b>NUR 104</b>	-	1	-	1	3
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>

### Second Term

Course	Theory	Lab	Clinical	Credit	Contact
English <b>ENG 101</b>	3	-	-	3	3
Human Anatomy and Physiology II <b>BIO 202</b>	3	1	-	4	5
Adult Nursing <b>NUR 105</b>	5	1	2	8	14
Maternal and Child Nursing <b>NUR 106</b>	4	-	1	5	7
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>29</b>

### Third Term

Course	Theory	Lab	Clinical	Credit	Contact
Adult/Child Nursing <b>NUR 107</b>	5	-	3	8	14
Psychosocial Nursing <b>NUR 108</b>	2	-	1	3	5
Role Transition for the Practical Nurse <b>NUR 109</b>	2	1	-	3	5
<b>Term Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>

### Program Totals:

**Credit Hours: 49 Hours**

**Contact Hours: 1101 Hours**