

# Associate Degree Nursing Advanced Placement for LPNs

Associate in Applied Science

For Students Entering NUR 214 in Spring 2024



*The Associate Degree Nursing program at Sandhills Community College is approved by the North Carolina Board of Nursing.*

Sandhills Community College Associate Degree in Nursing program is accredited by the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA) located at 2600 Virginia Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20037, 202-909-2526

## ADMISSION INFORMATION

**All students are classified in the Associate of General Education-Nursing (AGEN) major until they are selected for and begin taking nursing clinical classes (NUR).**

The Associate Degree Nursing – Advanced Placement option is designed for Licensed Practical Nurses who are returning to school seeking an Associate Degree in Nursing. Students will join a cohort of Associate Degree Nursing students, not a separate track.

Advanced Placement begins with NUR 214 in the spring semester. Students who successfully complete NUR 214 then complete three additional semesters of ADN classes.

Seating is limited. Admission decisions are based upon an application process held in early October each year. It is to the student's advantage to complete all Stage I requirements as early as possible (preferably by the summer semester or early fall) prior to beginning the transition class in the spring. Official notices from the Nursing Department will be sent to SCC student email addresses only.

## DEADLINES TO APPLY FOR NUR 214

Upon completion of Stage I prerequisites, students must submit a Stage II worksheet to compete for a seat in Nursing Transitions, NUR 214. If selected, students are responsible for completing Stage III requirements in a timely manner. Registration for NUR 214 does not guarantee admission to the Associate Degree Nursing program.

**Early Consideration:** All Stage I requirements must be met and Stage II worksheets with supporting documentation must be submitted by the last Thursday in October.

**Late Consideration:** If seats are still available after December 1, a late consideration may be held. Check the SCC Nursing website for additional details and dates.

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# Stage I: Prerequisites

**Application:** Complete an SCC admissions application online. Set up your SCC student email account. Students who have never taken classes at SCC, or have not taken classes for two or more years, must complete/attend an SCC New Student Orientation online or in person before they can register for classes.

**Transcripts:** Submit official (sealed) high school/high school equivalency and all college transcripts to the Registrar's office.

**Letter of Intent:** Complete the *Letter of Intent* and submit to the Director of Health Programs Student Support as early as possible. Letters can be downloaded from the SCC Website on the "LPN Transition to ADN" web page or can be obtained in the Nursing Department office.

## Prerequisite Classes:

- Complete a **Chemistry** course with a grade of "C" or better as verified by high school or college transcript.
- Complete the following courses with a grade of "C" or better as verified by college transcript:
  - ENG 111**
  - BIO 165/168**
  - PSY 150**

**Math Placement Requirements:** Place out of or complete MAT 043, 052, or 071 or complete MAT 003 with a grade of P2; or complete an equivalent course, such as MAT 070, 080, 121, 140, 143, 151, 152, or MAT 171 with a "C" or better.

**Graduation Verification:** Submitted college transcripts must verify graduation from an accredited school or college Practical Nursing program.

## HESI A2 (Admission Assessment) Exam:

- All applicants must take the HESI A2. Scores from other tests are not accepted.
- A **75+ cumulative score**, including a **75+ on the reading comprehension section** and a **75+ on the math section**, is required on one single test date. (The cumulative score is the average of all five sections tested: Reading Comprehension, Grammar, Vocabulary, Anatomy & Physiology, and Math.)
- Students may only take the HESI A2 twice in an academic year (Aug-July).
- Cost is \$55 (price subject to change).
- HESI A2 scores for tests taken within the last three years will be reviewed.
- Tests must be scheduled in advance; dates and registration are online.

**Stage I Review:** Upon completion of Stage I requirements, email the Director of Health Programs Student Support to request a confirmation. Responses will be sent to SCC student email addresses only. It is the student's responsibility to keep a current address and phone number on file with Student Services and to follow-up if a Stage I confirmation is not received.

**Students Completing Prerequisites in Fall Semester:** Students who have passed the HESI A2 exam and are actively enrolled in, attending, and passing a prerequisite course may apply in Early Consideration after receiving permission from the Director of Health Programs Student Support. If offered a seat, admission is contingent upon completing the prerequisite course successfully. Students must provide an email from their course instructor indicating their enrollment and current grade as of October 1.

## Stage II: Competitive Selection

Admission decisions are based upon an application process held in October. The most qualified applicants are selected based on a points system. Points are awarded for grades in completed courses, CPR certification, employment verification, etc. The Stage II Worksheet may be obtained from the SCC web site or in the Nursing Department.

**Stage II Worksheets are due no later than 4pm on the last Thursday in October**, and must be delivered to Foundation Hall 1002. Applicants will be notified of an acceptance decision via SCC student email by early November.

All students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0.

Stage II worksheets must be completed in full, including attachment of required documents. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Stage II Worksheets must be accompanied by the following documents:

- Transfer Course Equivalency Report with grades.
- Documentation from the NC Board of Nursing website indicating a current unrestricted license to practice as an LPN in North Carolina.
- Documentation of current CPR certification: American Heart Association **Heart Code/Basic Life Support (CPR and AED) Program**. Certification must remain valid through the final semester of the ADN program. If the certification will expire before program completion, students are responsible to re-certifying before expiration.
- Documentation of work experience may be attached for additional points. (see below)

## Stage III: Final Placement

**Information Session:** Attend the mandatory information session in November, date TBA.

**Orientation:** Attend the required orientation in January, date TBD. Orientations typically last from 2-6 PM.

**Registration:** Register for **NUR 214** and any of the following courses not already completed. All courses must be completed with a "C" or better by the end of spring semester.

- BIO 166/169
- ENG 112/114
- ACA 122—ACA 115 or other ACA courses are not accepted as substitutes
- NUR 214 (within past two years)

**Medical Forms and Immunization Records:** Complete and submit all required documents including medical forms and immunization records by the last Thursday in January.

**Employment Verification: If not attached with the Stage II application**

Submit documentation by the last Friday in April (if not attached with Stage II worksheet) to verify completion of six months of full-time employment within the last three years **in an LPN role**. Employment verification must be documented on the LPN Employment Verification Attestation form on the SCC website, and be received in a sealed envelope, signed by the Director of Human Resources or Director of Nursing (or applicable equivalent), or emailed directly from the person verifying the employment to the Director of Health Programs Student Support. If electronic verification is required, the student must request and bear any costs associated with the verification.

**Apply and receive approval for Transfer Credit/Academic Petition for NUR 111, NUR 112, NUR 211.**

Students who complete Stages I, II and III will receive an email indicating final placement into the ADN program for the summer term.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

- The use of computers is integral to this curriculum, some courses are delivered in an online format. NUR 214 is scheduled to be delivered in a hybrid format.
- Students are responsible for the cost for textbooks, uniforms, supplies, medical exam, insurance, criminal background checks and drug screenings, and travel to clinical sites. **Initial costs, due by January 2023, may exceed \$3000.**
- Drug screens, criminal background checks, and immunizations are required by our clinical affiliates. Complete information regarding the procedure will be provided at the orientation. A full list of specific immunizations is available on the ADN Admissions website.
- In accordance with North Carolina and federal legislation, undocumented immigrants are not permitted to be admitted to a program of study that requires a professional license. For more information, please refer to the SCC College Catalog, pages 45, or speak with the Director of Onboarding & Engagement.

## PROGRAM CURRICULUM

		<u>Class Hours Per Week</u>		<u>Semester Hours</u>	
		Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>					
NUR 214	Nursing Transition Concepts	3	0	3	4
Other ADN co-requisites needed by student , see page 3					
<b>SUMMER SEMESTER</b>					
NUR 114	Holistic Health Concepts	3	0	6	5
PSY 241	Developmental Psychology	3	0	0	3
		6	0	6	8
<b>FALL SEMESTER</b>					
BIO 275	Microbiology	3	3	0	4
NUR 113	Family Health Concepts	3	0	6	5
NUR 212	Health Systems Concepts	3	0	6	5
SOC 210	Introduction to Sociology	3	0	0	3
		12	3	12	17
<b>SPRING SEMESTER</b>					
NUR 213	Complex Health Concepts	4	3	15	10
_____	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
		7	3	15	13
<b>Additional Semester Hours Credit</b>					<b>42</b>

\*Humanities/Fine Arts Elective course—Choose one of the following:

ART 111, ART 114, ART 115, MUS 110, MUS 112, PHI 215, PHI 240, HUM 115