



EDISON COLLEGE

NURSING
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

Application Deadlines:

March 15 (program begins in August-Charlotte & Collier Campuses)

June 30 (program begins in August-Lee Campus)

October 1 (program begins in January-Lee Campus)



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NURSING PROGRAMS

Associate in Science Degree

Advanced Placement Program

The Advanced Placement Nursing Program at Edison College (EC) is designed to assist practicing Licensed Practical Nurses, Paramedics, Respiratory Therapists, and Cardiovascular Technicians to obtain the Associate of Science Degree in Nursing. The program is comprised of general education courses as well as clinical nursing courses. The curriculum incorporates classroom instruction, clinical laboratory simulation, and clinical practice in area hospitals, long-term care facilities, and various community health centers. Graduates possess the knowledge, values, and skills essential to practice nursing in a dynamic and rapidly changing health care environment. Graduates are eligible to take the licensure examination (NCLEX-RN) administered through the State Board of Nursing in Florida. This program is offered on the Collier, Charlotte and Lee campuses.

ADMISSION PROCESS

The admission process established by the Nursing Programs is designed to select those candidates with the best qualifications. Enrollment is limited and not all qualified applicants can be accepted. To be eligible to apply to the Advanced Placement Nursing Program, applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Graduation from high school or receipt of a General Educational Development (GED) certificate.
2. Completion of admission requirements to Edison College, including application and testing.*
3. Completion of all Learning Assistance courses, if required, by start of program.
4. Completion of the Nursing Advanced Placement Program Application along with \$15.00 application fee receipt (by specified date).
5. Cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 or higher in all required general education courses completed.
6. Completion of program pre-requisites: MAC 1105 (College Algebra) or higher, or STA 2023 (Introductory Statistics), BSC 1093C (Anatomy & Physiology I), BSC 1094C (Anatomy & Physiology II), and ENC 1101 (English Composition I) prior to application deadline.
7. A minimum grade of "C" or above on all general education courses, including prerequisites, required in the Advanced Placement Nursing Program.
8. Successful completion of the NLN Nursing Mobility Profile Exam (if applicable).**
9. **Testing:** Completion of the HESI test with a score of 74 or higher is **required** for admission. Until 6/30/08 ACT test scores of 17 or higher will be accepted in lieu of HESI.
10. A current Florida LPN license, or current Florida State Certificate for Paramedic, or current Florida Respiratory Therapy License, or registration for CVT (RCVT).
11. Preferably one year experience in nursing within the past three years (if LPN), or one year experience as a paramedic, CVT, or RT within the past three years.
12. Current Florida Nursing Assistant Certificate (CNA) for CVT, RT or Paramedic applicants.
13. Submission of **Official** transcripts from post-secondary institutions (including Edison College) showing completion of any of the 8 required General Education classes. Transcripts should be sent to the Registrar's Office **and** to the Nursing Office.
14. Attendance at a Pre-Nursing Admission Nursing Orientation**.

Transfer Policy: Under normal circumstances, transfers between campuses are prohibited. Should extenuating circumstances arise which are beyond the student's control, transfer requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis by a committee comprised of either the Basic or Advanced Placement Program Coordinators and the District Director of Nursing. All requests for transfer must include supporting documentation.

Please Note: In the event there are more qualified applicants than spaces available, a point system for admission will be utilized. After students have been admitted, a health evaluation form verifying overall health and ability to meet performance standards must be submitted as well as a current CPR card (BLS Healthcare Provider – American Heart Association or CPR for Professional Rescuer – American Red Cross).

*FCLEPT is used for placement in English and Algebra. It is highly recommended that students review English & Algebra before taking this test.

**Students must attend a pre-admission nursing orientation. The information exchanged is vital to the applicant's understanding of the admission process. Please call the Nursing Program: Lee Campus (239)985-8316, Charlotte Campus (941)637-5667, or Collier Campus (239)732-3745 to make arrangements to attend.

**Students must successfully complete the mandatory Nursing Mobility Exam and achieve a minimum grade of 72%. It is recommended that this exam be taken the year the applicant plans to enter the nursing program, but results are accepted for 5 years. Articulation Agreements have been developed to exempt recent graduates (within 5 years) of area LPN schools. We recommend that CVT's, RT's, and Paramedics complete the CNA course before attempting the Nursing Mobility Examination.

Nursing involves the provision of direct patient care for individuals and is characterized by the application of knowledge in the skillful performance of nursing functions. Therefore, in order to be retained in the program after admission, all students must be able to demonstrate the following abilities:

ISSUE	STANDARD	EXAMPLES(not inclusive)
Critical Thinking	Critical thinking sufficient for clinical judgment.	Competent assessment of patient in timely manner, correct interpretation of assessment, readily respond with appropriate interventions, treatment plans, ability to work alone and to make correct independent decisions.
Interpersonal	Interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.	Life and death situations, work with families stressed by the condition of a loved-one, working with other health-care providers in stressful situations.
Communication	Communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in verbal and written form.	Can follow verbal and/or written instructions. Must communicate patient responses, document and interpret therapeutic procedures performed on patient, initiate health teaching, consult with other health care providers in professional manner.
Mobility	Physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room, and walk in hallways, maneuver in small spaces. Including the strength necessary to lift patients as needed.	Walking to and from departments to patient rooms, room to room to take care of all patients on a team, assisting in patient transport, administer CPR.
Motor Skills	Gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care.	Perform vital signs, calibrate and use equipment, position patients. transport patients, physical assessment.
Hearing	Auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs.	Auscultation of BP, breath sounds, heart sounds, bowel sounds, hearing alarms, emergency signals, call bells, phones, cries for help, converse with patients, family, and staff
Visual	Visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary in nursing care.	Reading patient charts/flow sheet/monitors, prepare and administer medications, assessing patient skin color, reading thermometers.
Tactile	Tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment and to provide nursing intervention.	Perform palpation, giving injections, starting IV's, functions physical examination and/or those related to therapeutic intervention, i.e. urinary catheterization.
Strength/Stamina	Sufficient stamina to provide care and related responsibilities for extended periods of time (8-12 hours)	Adapt to shift work, lift without restrictions from standing position, ability to bend, position, and lift patients.

*Adapted from the Board of Directors of the Southern Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing (SCCEN) guidelines for Nursing Education Programs. The Florida Board of Nursing requires criminal checks on all applicants for licensure and any nursing licensure applicant who has an arrest record to present those records. The Florida Board of Nursing is the state agency authorized to issue nursing licenses.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

BEFORE TURNING IN YOUR APPLICATION, PLEASE MAKE SURE:

- _____ Your grades are marked correctly for all general education courses you have completed
- _____ You have submitted 2 official transcripts from Edison College and all other post-secondary institutions, one to Edison College Registrar's Office and one to Edison College Nursing Programs by the application deadline. **THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.**
- _____ You have paid \$15.00 application fee at the Cashier's office and attached the receipt to your application.
- _____ You have included a copy of your **current** professional license/certification.
- _____ You have included a copy of your LPN transcripts and current LPN license *(if applicable)*.
- _____ You have included a copy of your current CNA certification *(if applicable)*.
- _____ You have completed the ACT exam and your scores are on file with Edison College.

GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR EDUCATIONAL GOALS

PLEASE RETURN TO:

**Edison College
Nursing Programs
8099 College Parkway
Ft. Myers, FL 33919-5566**

**Edison College
Nursing Programs
26300 Airport Road
Punta Gorda, FL 33950-5748**

**Edison College
Nursing Programs
7007 Lely cultural Parkway
Naples, FL 34113-8977**



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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION/ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

APPLICATION YEAR: _____ SEMESTER APPLYING: Spring _____ Fall _____
 CAMPUS: Spring-Lee _____ Fall-Collier _____ or Fall-Charlotte _____ Fall-Lee _____

Date you attended Pre-Nursing Orientation: _____

1. NAME _____
 Other last name(s) records may be listed by _____

2. ADDRESS _____
 CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

3. TELEPHONE NUMBER
 HOME (_____) _____ CELL (_____) _____
 WORK (_____) _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

4. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

5. PROFESSION: LPN _____ Respiratory Therapist _____
 RCVT _____ Paramedic _____

FL Professional License/Certificate Number _____
 *Attach a current copy of license or certificate to application

6. Year graduated from LPN, Paramedic, CVT, or RT Program: _____
 School Attended _____

7. Number of year's experience in above profession: From: _____ To: _____
 Where _____
 (Optional)

8. Certified Nursing Assistant? *attach current copy Yes _____ No _____

9. Date of ACT Exam (attach results) _____

10. Are you currently an EC student? Yes _____ No _____
 If no, have you applied for admission to the college? Yes _____ No _____

11. Please indicate the grades you received in the prerequisite courses. Note the letter grade or challenge score. (This will be verified by means of your transcript). Grade Name of school where taken

BSC 1080 or (if BSC 1093C is taken after 8/07) (Human Biology-Overview for Health Science Professionals)	_____	_____
BSC 1093C (Anatomy and Physiology I)	_____	_____
MAC 1105 or higher or STA 2023 (College Algebra or Introductory Statistics)	_____	_____
ENC 1101 (English Composition I)	_____	_____
BSC 1094C (Anatomy and Physiology II)	_____	_____

12. Please indicate which general education courses required for Nursing Programs you have taken, the grade you received and at what school the class was taken (this will be verified by means of your transcript).

<u>taken</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Name of school where</u>
DEP 2004 (Human Growth and Development)	_____	_____
PSY 2012 (General Psychology)	_____	_____
MCB 2010C (Microbiology)	_____	_____

HUM Elective (Part A or B)

HUM course number and name:

13. Please indicate the score you received on the NLN Nursing Mobility Profile I Exam:

(This will be verified by the Nursing Program)

Exempt from Nursing Mobility Profile I Exam:

(LPN graduate from Lee, Charlotte, Collier or Sarasota County Vo-Tech within 5 years).

IT IS THE APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO HAVE OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS SENT DIRECTLY TO THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, AS WELL AS THE NURSING PROGRAMS. THIS INCLUDES TRANSCRIPTS FROM ALL POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING EDISON COLLEGE.

Please submit this application along with receipt for the \$15 application fee to Nursing Programs by 4:00 p.m. March 15th for fall term admission (Collier/Charlotte), and September 15th for spring term admission (Lee).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1. **Arrest Records:** Graduation from EC Nursing Programs does not guarantee that the Board of Nursing will allow you to take the NCLEX-RN. The Board of Nursing can deny application for licensure for certain reasons.
2. **Point System:** In the event that there are more qualified applicants than spaces available, a point system for admission will be utilized.
3. **Transfer Policy:** "Under normal circumstances, transfers between campuses are prohibited. Should extenuating circumstances arise which are beyond the student's control, transfer requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis by a committee comprised of either the Basic or Advanced Placement Program Coordinators and the District Director of Nursing. All requests for transfer must include supporting documentation."

I CERTIFY that this application and the attached transcripts and predictor scores are complete and accurate. I understand that these documents are being used to make an academic decision regarding admission to the Nursing Programs at Edison College which is a limited access program.

Signature of Applicant

Date

**NURSING PROGRAMS
ADMISSION SCORE SHEET**

In the event that there are more qualified applicants than spaces available, a point system for admission will be utilized. Students selected each year will be those with the highest accumulated point total. Candidates will be selected based upon the following scale.

(Based on 100 points total)

Name of Student _____ Social Security Number _____

25 Points Required Gen Ed GPA		25 Points Required Gen Eds Completed		40 Points ACT Composite		10 Points ACT Reading		HESI Score	Points
GPA	POINTS	NUMBER	POINTS	SCORE	POINTS	SCORE	POINTS	SCORE	POINTS
3.95-4.00	25	8	25	>24	40	>23	10	>90	50
3.90-3.94	24	7	22	24	40	23	10	89-90	45
3.85-3.89	23	6	19	23	35	22	8	87-88	40
3.80-3.84	22	5	16	22	30	21	6	85-86	35
3.75-3.79	21	4	13	21	25	20	4	83-84	30
3.70-3.74	20	3	10	20	20	19	2	81-82	25
3.65-3.69	19	2	7	19	15	<19	0	79-80	20
3.60-3.64	18			18	10			77-78	15
3.55-3.59	17			17	5			75-76	10
3.50-3.54	16			<17	0			74	5
3.45-3.49	15								
3.40-3.44	14								
3.35-3.39	13								
3.30-3.34	12								
3.25-3.29	11								
3.20-3.24	10								
3.15-3.19	9								
3.10-3.14	8								
3.05-3.09	7								
3.00-3.04	6								
2.95-2.99	5								
2.90-2.94	4								
2.85-2.89	3								
2.80-2.84	2								
2.75-2.79	1								