

Applying to the NURSING Program

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Before we begin...

This session will be recorded for those who cannot attend

- You may keep your camera off if you prefer
- You are also welcome to “rename” yourself

Receiving a copy of the PowerPoint slides

- We will drop a PDF of the PowerPoint slides into the Zoom chat for those on Zoom at the end of the session, and we will provide a hard copy of the slides for those in-person

Asking questions

- We will have a Q&A segment at the end of the presentation
- If you're not comfortable asking questions while we're recording, you may put your question in the chat, and we will respond as soon as possible

Target Audience

Students Ready to Apply to Nursing

- Application & helpful materials at www.nhcc.edu/nursing

Fall Cycle

- Application Open: December 1st
- Application Deadline: Feb 1st
- Email Notification: April 1st
- Program Begins: Fall - August

Spring Cycle

- Application Open: April 1st
- Application Deadline: June 1st
- Email Notification: August 1st
- Program Begins: Spring - January



Am I Ready to Apply?

Minimum Requirements:

- **Tier 1 Pre-requisites Completed - 2.75+ GPA**
 - BIOL1001 – Biology I
 - BIOL 2111 – Anatomy and Physiology I
 - PHIL 1220 – Healthcare Ethics
 - ENGL1200/1201 – College Writing/
Gateway College Writing
- **Completed ATI TEAS Test**
 - ATI TEAS Completed
 - Scores Sent to NHCC

Planning Ahead:

- **Completed or registered Tier 2 pre-requisites - 2.50+ GPA**
 - BIOL 2111 – Anatomy and Physiology II
 - CHEM 1005 – Chemistry for Healthcare Professionals
 - BIOL 2112 – Microbiology
- **Completed or registered nursing general education courses C grade or higher**
 - Psychology: 1250 or 1150 or 1160
 - Communication: 1110 or 1210 or 1810
- **Essays, Experience, and Attributes**
 - Why do you want to become a nurse?
 - Have examples of leadership, teamwork, & collaboration
 - Have definable experiences outside of the classroom
 - Identified obstacles you've overcome to reach goals

Writing Center

HOURS: Mon-Thurs: 9 am – 6 pm
Fri: 9 am – 3 pm

APPOINTMENTS: In-person or via Zoom
Drop-ins also welcome

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5 general tips for essays...

- Don't compose in the application form (open a Word doc, copy/paste later)
- Ignore word counts at first – just tell your story! We can trim it down in revision.
- Who says you have to write these 3 essays in order? Start where you are comfortable.
- Tell your story in your own voice. They want to see YOU! (Avoid the trap of “I need to sound smart here.”)
- Answer the question! Notice key words and phrases (such as “commitment and drive” and “how this inspires you to become a nurse”). This helps you ensure that you are answering the question, and they can give clues for structuring your answer!

Lived Experience

250 words or less (Do not include your name in your essay)

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Can't write about WORK or SCHOOL? What's left?

Family

Volunteering

Place of Worship

Neighborhood

Immigration

Personal Obstacles

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STRUCTURE

Describe my experience/story

How this inspires me

What this teaches me

Teamwork/Collaboration & Accountability

250 Words or less – Do not include your name

Please describe a situation in your life that demonstrates your experience with Teamwork/Collaboration & Accountability. What was your role and what was the outcome of this experience?

KEY WORDS

- Teamwork/Collaboration
- Accountability (Responsibility/Obligation to others or something)

STRUCTURE:

1. Tell story/experience
2. My role in teamwork (Why is it important?)
3. Team outcome
4. What I learned about teamwork/collaboration and accountability
5. (How does it relate to your desire to be a nurse?)

Beliefs & Values

50 words or less (do not include your name in your essay)

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KEY WORDS:

- **ONE** person or **ONE** experience
- Dignity, worth, human rights
- Diversity

DIVERSITY:

Race, Ethnicity, Gender,
Sexuality, Age, Disability

STRUCTURE:

- Describe person/experience
- Diversity? (In what way?)
- Dignity/Worth/Rights

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Good luck!

