Northwest State
Community College

Fall 2022 – Spring 2023 Associate Degree Nursing Application Packet

Application Deadlines
  Fall 2022: February 1, 2022 at 5:00 pm
  Spring 2023: September 1, 2022 at 5:00 pm

ADMISSION PROCESS

The Associate Degree Nursing Program is a selective-admission health program, providing students with the opportunity sit for the National Council Licensure Exam-Registered Nurse following graduation.

Part 1: College Admission Process

Step 1   Apply to Northwest State Community College.

Step 2   Submit any relevant transcripts directly to
Northwest State Community College
Office of the Registrar
22600 State Route 34
Archbold, OH 43502

Step 3   Complete an academic advising appointment with a NSCC advisor in the Advising Center or with your designated faculty advisor.

Part 2: Program Qualification Requirements

Step 1   Submit the nursing application only (1 page) by the designated deadline to:

Return Application to:
Division of Nursing & Allied Health
22600 State Route 34
Archbold, Ohio 43502
mbuehrer@northweststate.edu
PHONE: 419.267.1246
FAX: 419.267.5524

a. Applicants must have a college level cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. The NSCC cumulative GPA will be considered first to verify the applicant's GPA; if the Northwest State cumulative GPA is below 2.50, then transfer courses found in the ADN curriculum plan will be used to refigure a cumulative GPA.

b. Applicants must meet college level reading, writing, and mathematics or successfully complete any developmental coursework, as needed.

c. Complete all pre-requisite general education coursework prior to application submission.

d. Applicants must complete the National League for Nursing Pre-Admission Exam with a minimum score of the 50th RN Percentile or higher on all three tests on the exam. Information about the PAX may be found later in this document.

Step 2   It is the applicant's responsibility to notify the College and the Division of Nursing & Allied Health of any name (legal), home address, email address and/or phone number changes. Failure to update contact information can prevent applicants from receiving important communication regarding admission to the program, which will result in the applicant's name being removed from the application list.

Part 3: Program Acceptance and Notification

All applicants who meet the program qualification requirements are placed on the eligible list. Applicants will be notified of their admittance via the NSCC email. If a student declines their seat for admission, the next qualified applicant will be admitted.

Applications of applicants not admitted will remain on file for possible admission for a future semester. Denied applicants should meet with their academic advisor or faculty advisor to discuss strategies for meeting nursing admission criteria or opportunities in other NSCC health programs.

In accordance with federal regulations and state law, NSCC policy prohibits discrimination against any individual for any reasons of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, qualified disability, age (40 or older), or veteran status. Equal opportunity will be extended to all individuals.

PAX Requirements

The Pre-Admission Examination (PAX) is a standardized entrance exam for Associate Degree Nursing applicants at Northwest State Community College.

Format: Three sections, each 40 minutes in length - verbal, math, and science are tested at the high school level.

Test Length: Two hours

Exam Cost: The cost of the exam is $55.

Payment Options: Visa / MasterCard / PayPal / Wire Transfer

Testing Dates: Testing is available throughout the year via remote proctoring through the National League for Nursing. The student schedules the testing date and time.

PAX Deadline: All application materials, including PAX exam results, must be available by the application deadline for the semester in which the applicant is applying. Scores after these dates will be considered for the next application period.

Scores: Applicants must pass all three sections at the 50th RN Percentile Rank to meet the PAX admission requirement. Scores are good for three years.

Retake Policy: Students who fail one or more sections of the PAX may retake the test in six (6) months, per NLN policy. Students are limited to two attempts to pass the PAX.

Guidelines: Guidelines for creating an account and taking the PAX can be found on the NSCC Registered Nursing webpage (https://northweststate.edu/registered-nursing).

ADN Program
Admission Application

Select option: _____ Traditional RN   _____ LPN-to-RN (Ohio LPN license required)

Today's Date _____   **Semester Plan to Start** _____

I. Personal Information (Please print or type)

Last Name		First Name		Middle Initial	
Other Legal Name Used		First Name		Date of Birth	
Street Address		City, State		Zip Code	
Home Phone		Cell Phone			
NSCC Email		NSCC Student ID No. (N#)			

II. Academic History

College Attended – Most Recent First	Dates	Degree Conferred / Date / Major

K-12 Education		Year Completed
High School Name	High School Address	
GED		

Nursing and/or Allied Health Certificate, Certification, and/or Licensure		
Field of Study	**Certification Number/ License Number**	**State of Registration (or Agency)**

III. Additional Requirements after Admission but Before Beginning Program

- State-tested Nursing Assistant Certification (must complete the state test)
- American Heart Association BLS Provider CPR Certification
- BCI and FBI criminal background checks are required 6 to 8 weeks before entering the nursing program. A conviction for a misdemeanor or felony may affect a student's eligibility to enter the nursing program or participation in clinical experiences. Admitted students will be instructed when to complete fingerprinting.
- LPN-to-RN students must provide evidence of six (6) months of continuous Licensed Practical Nursing experience or a minimum of 800 hours within the past two (2) years.
- Drug Screen 10-panel is required 6 – 8 weeks before entering nursing program.
- Physical Health Exam and Immunizations/Vaccines required by clinical agencies must be submitted by due date.