

Practical Nursing Program

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Instructions:

Students who wish to apply for the Practical Nursing Program must complete this application.

Applications for fall semester enrollment are accepted from **March 1 - May 15**.

Applications for spring semester enrollment are accepted from **July 1 - September 15**.

Completed Practical Nursing application packets are submitted via email to: PracticalNursing@ucc.edu

Applications **will not be** accepted after these dates. Applications **are not kept on file**; therefore, if a student applies for a given semester and is not accepted, the student must submit another application for next semester.

BIO-105 Anatomy & Physiology I is required for admission. Effective fall of 2024, students must achieve a grade of "C" or higher to be considered for admission.

Applicants must submit the following packet of documents and pass the admission test, the ATI TEAS for the Practical Nursing Program, to be considered for the program.

1. Complete and submit the following packet of information:
 - a. Practical Nursing Application form
2. Submit copies of unofficial transcripts from all accredited colleges and universities attended. An official copy must be submitted to the Office of Admissions.
3. Schedule and pay for the TEAS Admission Assessment exam (cost is \$84.00). Student may take the exam twice. The student may purchase a review book directly from ATI at www.atitesting.com.

All Applicants (no exemption) must submit the ATI TEAS Exam score. A minimum of 50% or higher is required for admission, no more than 5 years from the date of the exam. Students with a higher TEAS score (i.e. above 50%) or higher GPA will score higher based on the admission criteria below.

PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM ADMISSION TABLE

TEAS Score Criteria	GPA Criteria
60 and above = 50%	3.0 -4.0 = 50%
55-59 = 45%	2.7-2.99 = 40%
50-54 = 40%	2.5-2.69 = 30%
40-49 = 20%	Below 2.5 = 0%
Below 40 = 10%	

TOTAL SCORE

Admission Criteria is based on: Combined (TEAS + GPA).

Score of 75% - 100% are eligible for admission; however, higher scores will be considered first.

Students who successfully meet the admission exam score and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 will be reviewed for admission. To enroll in the program, students will need to be switched from the Health Science major to the Practical Nursing Program. Please meet with a Student Services staff member to register and change your program.

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Residents of Union County who meet the minimum admission criteria will be given priority.

NOTE: Enrollment in the Practical Nursing program requires interactions with patients and personnel in a variety of health care agencies. To meet the safety guidelines for these agencies, students need to have the following:

- Clear background check* (vendor information will be provided)
- Current CPR for BLS - Health Care Provider through **American Heart Association only** and not an online course.
- Complete health documentation, including titers and vaccinations for immunity (refer to the Practical Nursing *Student Handbook* for details). These documents will be uploaded to the vendor contracted by UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ PN program. Information will be provided at time of registration.
- Flu vaccine is mandatory for clinical rotation for Fall and Spring enrollment.
- Malpractice insurance – minimum of \$1 million/\$3 million
- Covid-19 vaccination with boosters is required by the clinical affiliating agencies.

The health, CPR, and malpractice requirements must be completed BEFORE Practical Nursing enrollment. All requirements are due by July 15 for a fall start and by November 15 for a spring start.

***Background Clearance**

All students enrolled in the Practical Nursing program are required to have a clear background check to participate in clinical care experiences. **Background checks are mandated by all clinical agencies and must be completed prior to enrolling into the Practical Nursing Program.** Students will be informed of the vendor for the background checks.

Any student who has had any negative background activity reported on the background check will **not** be able to enroll in Practical Nursing and will be dropped from the program. During program enrollment, it is the students' responsibility to notify the nursing program of any change in their background history status. For example, convictions, guilty pleas, or judicial findings of guilt, that may result in an inability to continue in the program including, but are not limited to, assault, battery, homicide, manslaughter, kidnapping, sexual assault, arson, domestic violence, theft, drug abuse and/or distribution, and fraud. Failure to disclose all convictions, other than minor traffic violations, will be grounds for dismissal from the program. A background clearance is required for licensure as a Practical Nurse in the State of New Jersey.

Accreditation

The Practical Nursing Program at UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ received continued accreditation on June 2023 through June 2031, from the New Jersey Board of Nursing.

The program is also accredited by the National League of Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA) effective 2019-2025. The NLN CNEA granted a good cause extension to the program's probationary status until October 31, 2024.

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Please print clearly or type

APPLICANT INFORMATION										
Last Name					First			M.I	Date	
Street Address								Apartment/Unit #		
City					State			ZIP		
Phone					E-mail Address					
Semester Requested						Student ID No.			GPA	
Are you currently attending UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ?			YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If no, are you attending another college?			YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
If you are not currently attending have you applied?			YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If so, when?					
Have you ever been convicted of a felony?			YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If yes, explain					

EDUCATION									
High School					City/State				
From		To		Did you graduate?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Degree		
College					City/State				
From		To		Did you graduate?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Degree		
College					City/State				
From		To		Did you graduate?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Degree		
College									
From		To		Did you graduate?	YES	NO	Degree		

COURSE WORK –

Attach an unofficial copy of your UCNJ Union College of Union County, NJ transcript showing courses completed/transferred.

COURSES	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE	CURRENTLY ENROLLED	COLLEGE

Last Name		First		Date	
Student ID#					

COURSES	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE	CURRENTLY ENROLLED	COLLEGE

OTHER COURSES – CURRENTLY ENROLLED OR COMPLETED				
COURSES	SEMESTER COMPLETED	GRADE	CURRENTLY ENROLLED	COLLEGE

DISCLAIMER AND SIGNATURE

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If this application leads to enrollment, I understand that false or misleading information in my application may result in my dismissal from the Program.

Signature

Date

UCNJ does not discriminate and prohibits discrimination, as required by state and/or federal law, in all programs and activities, including employment and access to its career and technical programs.