ASSOCIATE DEGREE (RN) NURSING PROGRAM INFORMATION PACKET

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*NOTE: If you are currently an LPN, please see the **LPN-to-RN Pathway information packet**.*

COLLEGE ADMISSION INFORMATION (also see the New Student Checklist on www.sscc.edu)

_____ Apply for Admission (at www.sscc.edu/admissions OR contact Admissions 937.393.3431 x2607)
_____ Request official high school transcript or GED certificate
_____ Request official college transcripts
_____ Make sure transfer credit have been applied to your SSCC transcript
_____ Complete FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
_____ Take the placement assessment
_____ Meet with an advisor
_____ Register for classes
_____ Make payment arrangements
_____ Attend a new student orientation, if applicable

The Associate Degree Nursing Program (RN) admits students once a year for a Fall Semester start on the Central Campus in Hillsboro. Entry to the nursing program is competitive and based on academic achievements and testing scores. Click here for application FAQs.

Anticipated entry term/campus	Application and required documentation must be received on or before:	Application available online beginning	Application and required documentation accepted	Notification sent via email on or before:
Fall Semester (August) (Central Campus-Hillsboro)	June 3	February 1	February 1-June 3	June 21

ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR NURSING PROGRAM

Admission to Nursing requires the following minimum requirements, which must be completed prior to application. Completion of minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

- Accepted SSCC student
- High school graduate or GED recipient
- Completed nursing application and responsibility form
- Prerequisite courses with a grade of C or higher (C- is not acceptable). Knowledge of prerequisite content is expected. If taken more than 5 years ago, it is strongly recommended that course be repeated.

  - **CHEMISTRY (must meet at least one criteria)**
    - High school chemistry
    - CHEM 1120, Introduction to Chemistry
    - CHEM 120 and 122
    - Higher level college chemistry course

- **BIOLOGY (must meet at least one criteria)**
  - High school biology
  - BIOL 1040, Human Biology I
  - BIOL 1104
  - BIOL 104 and 114, Human Biology I/Lab
  - Higher level college biology course

- **ALGEBRA (must meet at least one criteria)**
  - High school algebra
  - MATH 1116, Beginning Algebra
  - MATH 1117, Elementary Algebra
  - MATH 117, Elementary Algebra
  - Higher level college math course

- **Pre-entrance testing**
  - HESI Admission Assessment (A2) Exam with an average score of 75% or higher in Math and Reading Comprehension within 24 months of application. The scores of all categories will be considered during the ranking process. **Or ACT of 21 or higher**.

SUBMISSION OF NURSING APPLICATION

Before submitting your online Nursing Application, verify that all required documents have been uploaded. Applications will not be reviewed until all required items are submitted.

Required Documents

☐ Nursing Application and Responsibility Form

- Complete and upload the Nursing Application and Responsibility Form.

☐ Proof of Acceptance to Southern State Community College

Upload **one** of the following:

- ☐ Acceptance Letter
- ☐ Course Listing
- ☐ Student ID

☐ Official High School Transcript or GED Certificate

Upload **one** of the following:

- ☐ Official High School Transcript verifying graduation
- ☐ GED Certificate

Current High School Seniors Only

- ☐ Current High School Transcript
- ☐ Letter of Support from High School Administrator verifying anticipated graduation

If accepted into the Nursing Program, an official final high school transcript must be submitted to the Nursing Department by July 1.

☐ HESI A2 Exam Report

- ☐ Uploaded a copy of my HESI A2 score report showing an average score of **75% or higher** in **Math and Reading Comprehension**.

Final Review Before Submission

☐ All required documents have been uploaded.

☐ Uploaded documents are legible and complete.

☐ I understand that incomplete applications will not be considered.

☐ I am ready to submit my Nursing Application.

The content of this packet will reflect ongoing improvement and support of student outcomes. You may also access current requirements at http://www.sscc.edu/academics/associate/nursing.shtml.

PRE-ENTRANCE NURSING TESTING

1. Testing is conducted at:
   - Central Campus (Hillsboro)
   - Brown County Campus (Mt. Orab)
2. Required for **all applicants**, regardless of previous degrees
3. Fee: **$65 per attempt** (non-refundable)
4. Maximum of **two attempts in a 12-month period**

Accommodations must be requested **before testing** through Accessibility Services. https://www.sscc.edu/services/accessibility-services.shtml for more information.

Scheduling the Exam

1. Pay online through MyRecords or call the Business Office (800-628-7722 ext. 2652)
2. Contact the Testing Center:
   - Hillsboro: ext. 2792
   - Mt. Orab: ext. 4792
3. Schedule at least **one week in advance. The testing schedule may be viewed at https://www.sscc.edu/services/testing- center.shtml .**

HESI Admission Assessment (A2) Exam Information

The HESI A2 Exam consists of four academic exams, as well as a personality profile that identifies the individual applicant's learning style. Total testing time will be up to 2 hours and 40 minutes. The following subscales will be scored:

Section	Number of questions	Time allowed
Reading Comprehension	55 items	60 minutes
Basic Math Skills	55 items	50 minutes
Biology	30 items	25 minutes
Chemistry	30 items	25 minutes

• **Free** remediation is provided through Elsevier. If not already completed, a student should register for an account with Elsevier at the following link: https://evolve.elsevier.com/cs/store?role=student. Click "sign in" at top right of home page, then click 'create account" under the blue "sign in". The student's SSCC email should be used when an email address is requested.

NURSING PROGRAM EXPENSE ESTIMATE

Tuition	$ 13069
Lab fees	$1220
Estimated books (e-books)	$1000

E-books will be utilized in program. Program package includes all Nursing texts (e-books) for the entire Nursing program at a reduced cost and provides updated versions as available.

TOTAL PROGRAM ESTIMATE: Tuition, lab fees & books = $ 14,191
TOTAL PROGRAM ESTIMATE (Increased): Tuition, lab & SIM fees, & books = $14,602
*****The listed lab fee reflects the current approved amount. Due to increased supply and equipment costs, a higher lab fee has been proposed. This proposed increase is pending approval by the State of Ohio and will not take effect unless and until such approval is granted.

Please Note: (This estimate does not include prerequisite course completion costs. This could add an additional cost of up to approximately $3500.)

Additional Costs After Acceptance (estimated costs)

- Uniforms and shoes: Variable
- Supplies (stethoscope, scissors): $65–$125
- Liability insurance: $18/year
- BLS/CPR certification: variable
  - Not required until you have been **accepted** and ready to begin Nursing courses
- Physical exam and Immunizations: variable
- Drug screening: $50-$75
- STNA/CNA or Nurse Aide Verification: variable
  - **NOT** required at the time of application
  - **REQUIRED at the start of your Nursing courses**
- NCLEX Registration- $350.00
- State Board Application ~$75 single state or $100 compact (multi state)

Technology Requirements

- Laptop or tablet with:
  - Windows 11+ or MacOS 15+
  - Updated Chrome, Edge, Firefox, or Safari
- Reliable high-speed internet access
- Chrome OS, Android, and iOS may not support all required software

NOTE: A past felony or misdemeanor conviction may disqualify a student from completing the clinical/practicum requirements of a Health Science program and therefore, would not be able to complete the associated course and/or program. Also, the student may be prohibited from taking a state licensure/certification exam.

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours
	First Semester	
BIOL 1510	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
MATH 1135	Allied Health Mathematics	3
NRSG 1500	Nursing Concepts I: Normal Findings	6
NRSG 1200	Pathophysiology	2
	Second Semester	
BIOL 1520	Anatomy & Physiology II	4
ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3
PSYC 1111	Life Span and Human Development	3
NRSG 1600	Nursing Concepts II: Wellness and Basic Chronic Conditions	6
NRSG 1300	Pharmacology	2
	Third Semester	
BIOL 2300	Microbiology	4
NRSG 2300	Concepts of Maternal Care	2
	Fourth Semester	
NRSG 2500	Nursing Concepts III: Acute and Chronic Conditions	5
NRSG 2700	Concepts of Child Nursing Care	3
ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3
SOCI 1170	Introduction to Sociology	3
	Fifth Semester	
NRSG 2600	Nursing Concepts IV: Complex and Higher Acuity Conditions	4
NRSG 2400	Mental Health Nursing	2
NRSG 2800	Nursing Capstone	4
NRSG 1107	Nursing Ethics	2
	TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS	**65**

Non-nursing courses may be completed prior to entering the program, however the credit hours per semester will be less while in the program and may affect the amount of Financial Aid you receive each term.