ADN Information Session
March 23, 2020
The following information is meant to serve as an overview of the SCC ADN program. Please stay up-to-date with program requirements by visiting [WWW. SCCSC.edu/Nursing](http://WWW. SCCSC.edu/Nursing).

Program requirements can change every semester!

Please look for the **NEW!** symbol! This indicates new or upcoming changes to the program!
What is an ADN?

An ADN is an associate degree nurse. After completing the ADN program you will be eligible to sit for the NCLEX exam. If you successfully pass NCLEX, you will be a Registered Nurse (RN).
Is it true the hospital will only hire a BSN, RN?

• NO! For the past few semesters SCC nursing students have had 100% job placement at the time of graduation. Most were employed by a hospital.

Where can an ADN, RN work?

• Registered nurses practice in hospitals, clinics, physicians' offices, long term care facilities and community agencies.
Is this an accredited program?

- **YES!** The nursing education program is accredited by the [Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)](http://acen.org).
How long is the program?

4 semesters/2 years – Nursing courses are not offered during the Summer.

When do classes start if accepted?

The ADN program starts in the Fall (August) and Spring (January).

If I already have a degree will the program be shorter?

No. You may complete your general education courses quicker, but the program is 4 semesters for ALL students. This includes licensed LPN students as well.
Frequently Asked Questions:

Please visit the ADN website listed below.

- [https://www.sccsc.edu/nursing > Associate Degree Nursing FAQ](https://www.sccsc.edu/nursing > Associate Degree Nursing FAQ)
FAQ: What are the pre-requisites?

- COL 101/103 - College Orientation Credits: 1
- BIO 210 - Anatomy & Physiology I Credits: 4
- BIO 211 - Anatomy & Physiology II Credits: 4
- BIO 225 - Microbiology Credits: 4
- BIO 240 - Nutrition Credits: 3
  * Biology Courses: (CANNOT be >7 years old; & can only attempt each course 2 times). Please review Biology policy for upcoming changes Fall 2021.
- ENG 101 - English Composition I Credits: 3
- ENG 102 - English Composition II Credits: 3
- MAT 110 - College Algebra Credits: 3  or  MAT 120 - Probability & Statistics Credits: 3
- PSY 201 - General Psychology Credits: 3

Do I have to wait until all pre-requisites are complete to apply?

No, **but** BIO 210, BIO 211, and BIO 225 must be completed by the time you start the program, starting with May 2021 applicants for Fall 2021 start. Please see Biology Policy of the website.
FAQ: What is the Biology policy?

Effective August 2009, Biology courses may only be repeated twice (a withdrawal is considered an attempt) within a 7 year period for students pursuing the ADN degree. Effective August 2012, there is a seven (7) year limit on the biology courses within the curriculum.

Example #1: If an applicant withdrew from Bio 210 in Fall 2014 and then retook the course in Spring 2016, the student has completed the max attempts for BIO 210 until Fall 2021.

Example #2: Applicant accepted in May 2019, BIO 210 completed Dec 2011 and BIO 210 April 2012 are expired.
Upcoming Biology Changes:

- Upcoming changes for Fall 2021 applicants applying in May 2021:
  
  "Biology courses may only be attempted twice within a five (5) year period for students pursuing the ADN degree. A withdrawal is considered an attempt. Any attempt in a biology course beyond the 2nd attempt, will NOT be awarded points on the selective ranking sheet. There is a five (5) year limit on the biology courses within the curriculum and BIO 210, BIO 211, and BIO 225 must be completed by the time the student enters the program."

- #1) The time limit (expiration date) for biology courses would change from 7 to 5 years.
  
  Example: 5 year expiration- Applicant accepted for Fall 2021 (May 2021 applicants), BIO 210 completed Fall 2015 expired; BIO 211 Spring 2016 accepted.

- #2) The student is allowed only 2 attempts in Biology courses within a 5 year period, with a withdrawal counting as an attempt.
  
  Example: Student takes BIO 210 Spring 2018 and withdraws from the course. Summer 2018 they repeat the course earning a D. If the student repeats the course Fall 2018 and is successful, they may continue with the remaining biology courses. On the selective ranking sheet the student would earn 0 points for BIO 210. The student would not be eligible to earn points for the course on the selective ranking sheet until Summer/Fall 2023.

- #3) BIO 210, BIO 211, and BIO 225 must be completed by the time the student enters the program.
  
  **Students applying for Spring (January) admission may apply to the program, but all courses must be completed in the preceding Fall semester. Courses in progress will not be awarded points.**
FAQ: Do you require the TEAS test?

- ALL applicants must submit TEAS scores with their application, beginning with Spring 2021 admission class, Fall 2020 applicants. Prior to Spring 2021, it is recommended that students take the ATI TEAS. Please see the Selective Ranking Sheet for score breakdown.

- A minimum score is NOT required to apply, but points will not be awarded for scores less than 60.
How do I apply?

https://www.sccsc.edu/nursing/ > Associate Degree Nursing Application Process
How Do I Apply?

- Step 1: Apply to Spartanburg Community College, if you are not already a current student.
  - Apply to SCC at https://www.sccsc.edu/apply/
  - Students will need to be accepted to Spartanburg Community College prior to applying for the nursing program.
  - All transcripts should be sent directly to the Spartanburg Community College Admissions department if you are transferring classes. Please contact them at 864-592-4800 or admissions@sccsc.edu with any questions regarding transcripts.
How Do I Apply? (cont)

- **Step 2: Attend an ADN information session.**
  - Starting with Spring 2021 applications, attendance to an ADN information session will be required within one (1) year of applying to the ADN program.
  - The next information session will be Tuesday September 17, 2019 at 5:30pm in HSB 115. First floor of the Health Science Building.
How Do I Apply? (cont)

- Step 3: Complete the pre-admissions exam, TEAS Test. Required for Spring 2021 applicants.
  - If you are applying before Spring 2021, please review the Selective Ranking Sheet on score breakdown.
  - If you have previously taken the TEAS Test, somewhere other than Spartanburg Community College, send official scores. Please see the ATI TEAS® TESTING INFORMATION SHEET on the nursing website under “Application”.
How Do I Apply? (cont)

- **Step 4: Submit your application to the SCC ADN program.**

  - The ADN Program application packets for Spring 2019 will ONLY be accepted Tuesday, **May 12, 2020 through May 14, 2020** between the hours of 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Please see application packet details below.

  - Packets will not be accepted after 4:30 PM on May 14, 2020. (Please note that if you live out of town/state, you may mail your application packet and it **MUST** be postmarked before Tuesday May 12, 2020.) Please mail applications to the following address:

    Spartanburg Community College  
    ATTN: Julie Denesha/Nursing Dept. (HSB 241)  
    PO BOX 4386  
    Spartanburg, SC 29305
How Do I Apply? (cont)

- **Step 4:** Submit your application to the SCC ADN program.
  - Qualified individuals receiving one of the ADN program slots will **ONLY** be notified by their SCC email in an official letter from the College. Applicants who are alternates and who do not receive an acceptance letter will be notified via their SCC email once the application letters have been dispersed.
  - Please **DO NOT** call the College or stop by the Division Office or Nursing Department to ask whether you received a slot or not. This information will not be released due to college privacy issues. Students will only be notified through the SCC email. Instructions on what your next steps are will be included in the letters mentioned above.
What goes into the application packet?

Prepare a 9x12 MANILA envelope with the following application packet items, if applicable:

- **GPA Calculator Selective Ranking Score Sheet** (download in a PDF format, print and complete).
- **SCC unofficial transcripts** (You **MUST** include an unofficial SCC transcript even if you did not take any courses at SCC).
- **ATI TEAS results** (Required starting Spring 2021)
- **Transfer Equivalent Report**
- **ADN Applicant Demographic Sheet**
- **Copies of any certificates, diplomas, or degrees**

**There is no application fee to apply to the nursing program and you can apply as many times as you want.**
## Selective Ranking Sheet:

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### Items Allowed for Additional Points, but NOT REQUIRED:

- Review of student’s transcript in order to receive the points
- MUST include a copy of current certificate, diploma, or degree allowing the student to complete the remaining required courses.
- Most certificates are not awarded for more than 1 certificate.
- Completion of ALL required General Education courses
- Completion of MAT 122, 221, 222, 321, 421, and COL 105 or 115
- Review of student’s transcript in order to receive the points
- MUST include a copy of current certificate, diploma, or degree allowing the student to complete the remaining required courses.
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### Maximum Points Possible: 10 Points

- Total Score
- 10 points

*Updated 3/27/2020*
GPA Calculator:

- Your GPA must be $\geq 2.5$ for the required general education courses in the Nursing program.
- The GPA calculator is available on the Nursing Web site and is very easy to complete.
- Any required general education courses that you transferred in to SCC must be placed into the GPA calculator with the final grade for that course.
- Courses that receive Exemption Credit CANNOT be placed in the GPA calculator.
- A copy of the GPA calculator MUST be included in the Admission Packet.
- The GPA calculator is located under “Application Process” on the nursing web page.
- Hint: Download the form to your computer, save it, then edit it to add your information.

### Nursing GPA Calculation Form

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**Total Credits:** 0  **Total GPA:** 

Handwritten forms will NOT be accepted!
Applicant Demographic Form:

- The applicant demographic form is located under “Application Process” on the nursing web page.

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Copy of unofficial SCC transcript

- Provide a copy of your SCC unofficial transcript to support courses/grades listed on your Selective Ranking Score Sheet (you MUST include a copy of your SCC unofficial transcript even if you have NOT taken any courses at SCC)
- There is a short video on how to obtain your unofficial transcript on the Portal under Campus Links > Student Self-Service Training.
Transfer Equivalency Report:

- Transfer Equivalency Report (TER) - transfer credits awarded from the SCC Registrar’s Office. Request for evaluation of your official transcripts should be directed to baussc@sccsc.edu in the Records Office. All official transcripts must be on file in the Records Office prior to requesting this evaluation. For any transfer courses, this form is REQUIRED. You MUST obtain this form from Records.
ATI TEAS Test: (Not required until Spring 2021)

- Please view the ATI TEAS® TESTING INFORMATION SHEET located on the ADN website for additional information.

- TEAS test scores **MUST** be within three (3) years of application to the program. Example, if you are applying in October of 2019, scores must have been obtained after October 2016. If scores are older than three (3) years, you must retake the exam.

- If you have taken the TEAS test at another institution, scores can be transferred. You must request an official transcript through the ATI online store to be submitted to Spartanburg Community College.
Copy of your diploma/certificate (if applicable)

- If applicable, provide copies of any certificates, diplomas, or degrees you may have completed and that you are earning extra points for on the Selective Ranking Sheet.
How Do I Submit My Packet?

- The ADN Program application packets for Fall 2020 will **ONLY** be accepted Tuesday, **May 12, 2020** through Thursday, **May 14, 2020** between the hours of **8:30 am – 4:30 pm**.

- Completed program packets **MUST** be deposited in the orange box which will be located outside the office of Julie Denesha, MSN, RN, Nursing Department Chair, on the second floor of the Health Sciences Building (Office 241). The orange box will only be available for depositing these packets on the dates and times described above.

- Applications will not be accepted early or late!!
FAQ: Can someone review my application packet prior to submission?

- Please note that nursing faculty and administrative support are extremely busy with classes, clinical and other required duties. So, it is not possible to sit down to review with each student the contents for the application packet prior to the submission of the packets.

- Any incomplete application packet will NOT be considered for the program for the semester the student applied. (examples of an incomplete packet include, but are not limited to: failure to include the Transfer Equivalency Report, submitting transcripts from other institutions, but they have not been processed by the SCC Registrar)
FAQ: Is there a waiting list?

NO!! SCC's Associate Degree in Applied Science - Nursing program DOES NOT have a waiting list for admission into the nursing program. We “wipe the slate clean” after each admission into the program. We feel that students are active participants in their success to enter the ADN program and with each course taken increasing their chances of being accepted.
FAQ: When will I know if I have been accepted?

- Our goal is to have acceptance, alternate, and denial letters out 7-10 days following the application period.
- 32-35 applicants will be accepted each semester. Accepted applicants will ONLY receive an acceptance letter via their SCC email.
I’m ACCEPTED!!!!!

Now what??

- Your acceptance letter will list multiple items and the due dates. PLEASE pay close attention to these dates. Any item not submitted on time will cause you to forfeit your seat.

- If you are accepted into the nursing program, there will be a mandatory orientation. More information will be included in your acceptance letter.

Examples of items that will be due AFTER acceptance: CPR, Immunization, PPD, Criminal Background check and drug screen, etc.....
FAQ: How do I prepare for nursing school?

- Work and save as much $ as you can. Most students find they can only work minimal hours to be successful.
FAQ: How much does nursing school cost?

- Deposit non-refundable $100
- CBI/DT $120
- Immunizations $300 +/-
- CPR $50 (MUST be American Heart Association Basic Life Support)
- Books $1000 + (e-readers are permitted, can purchase texts outside of Book Inn)
- ATI Materials $500 +/- (MUST be purchased in the Book Inn)
- Nurse Pack $150
- Uniforms $100 (Will NOT need at the very start of the semester)
- Incidentals $200

Total approximately $2500 +/-

** Please note, this does NOT include tuition!
FAQ: What is a nurse pack?

You ARE required to purchase the nurse pack in the Book Inn. The contents include:

- Stethoscope & BP cuff
- Pen light
- Bandage scissors
- Foley catheter kit
- Tracheostomy care kit

**Subject to change starting Fall 2019!**
CPR – EVERYONE should be Certified!!!

- All Health Sciences programs require CPR through American Heart Association and it MUST be Health Care Provider – Adult and Child CPR
- The College now has an AHA training center through CCE. If you are in need of a class, please go to the following link: https://www.sccsc.edu/AHA/
- Click on View Current Class. You can register online or you can call 864-592-4900
- CPR certification is good for 2 years
Immunizations

- All Health Sciences Programs at SCC require the same immunizations (with the exception of the Hepatitis B Vaccine – which is required by the Nursing program).
- Many immunizations were obtained as a child, and it just requires that you obtain your immunization records.
- It is a good time to start now, gathering this information.
- If you have not received one of the required immunizations, you may want to get a head start as there are multiple shots and several weeks between them.
Immunization (cont)

MMR (Measles, Mumps & Ruebella)
- Should have received as a child in 2 separate doses
- If you cannot find your immunizations, have a TITER drawn first (it’s cheaper). If you are immune to all 3, then you will not require a booster.
- If the TITER results show that you are not immune to 1 or more, than you will require the booster.
- Some International students only received immunization for Measles and Mumps and NOT Ruebella. This means, these students will REQUIRE the MMR immunization.
Varicella Vaccine – against Chicken Pox
- This was administered in 2 doses 4 weeks apart starting in 1995.
- If you never received the vaccine, have a TITER drawn first. If you are immune, you are fine.
- If you are NOT immune, you will be required to receive the entire vaccine – 2 doses 4 weeks apart.
- DO NOT wait until the last minute to have this immunization administered
Immunization (cont)

- Tetanus (Td) Booster – booster is required every 10 years
- Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) – this is a 1 time immunization as an adult followed by an every 10 year Td booster. It is HIGHLY recommended that health care students receive this immunization.
- If Td is within date, you are NOT required to receive the Tdap.
Immunization (cont)

PPD – Tuberculin Skin Test

- If you are currently working in a health care environment, then all that is required is your yearly, 1-step PPD result or a Quantiferon TB test.
- If you have NEVER had a PPD, you will be required to complete a 2-step PPD or a Quantiferon TB test.
- A subsequent yearly PPD will be required for the department.
- Please note that International students often have a positive skin test, and are required to have a chest x-ray and/or written documentation from their healthcare provider that there is NO active disease. This will also be required to be updated on a yearly basis.
Immunization (cont)

Hepatitis B Vaccine

- Effective for the Fall 2019 admission class and all future classes, the Hepatitis B vaccine series will be required as part of the immunizations for the Nursing program. This is a 2 or 3-part immunization series depending on your provider: Example of a 3-step schedule -
  - Initial immunization
  - 2nd shot administered a minimum of 4 weeks later from initial
  - 3rd shot administered a minimum of 8 weeks later from 2nd shot

**Please allow enough time so that steps 1 and 2 are completed prior to starting the program.**
Where can I have these Immunizations administered?

- There are a number of places within Spartanburg, Cherokee and Union Counties where you can go to have the immunizations and/or titer taken care of. Below are a few places where you can go to have these taken care of. In addition, you may go to your Primary Health Care Provider.

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<td>218 E. Blackstock Rd</td>
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MAKE COPIES!!

Make copies of everything you turn into Admissions and with your ADN application packet.
Annual Requirements

As a nursing student at SCC, you will be required to keep up with ALL of the following, and submit updated copies prior to their expiration.

- PPD – Tuberculin Skin Test - yearly
- CPR – American Heart Association BLS ONLY – every 2 years
- Flu vaccine – due to be updated NO LATER than Sept 30 every year
- Liability Insurance – To be paid in the Business office upon admission into the program and then yearly at the start of the new Academic Year – August
- SC Student Passport – when admitted into the program, students receive information on how to access this; it is good for 365 days; must be completed yearly.
FAQ: What will my schedule look like?

- Program Start Date: Fall or Spring term
- Your schedule will vary every semester. Classes are not usually held on Fridays, BUT there may be times that you are required to be on campus for training or a workshop on a Friday. Prior notice will be given.
- Most clinical days will begin at 0630, however, some courses have a late afternoon/early evening clinical.