



NURSING PROGRAM 2019 APPLICATION INFORMATION

ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE

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Selection Criteria

A point system is utilized to select applicants into the Western Nevada College (WNC) nursing program. Applicants must successfully complete all nursing program prerequisites and submit HESI test scores as instructed to be considered for application to the WNC nursing program. The following selection criteria are applicable for entrance for the fall 2019 nursing program:

1. Science GPA. Grades for prerequisite and corequisite Biology and Chemistry courses (see section on prerequisite and corequisite requirements). If a course has been repeated, **only** the highest applicable grade will be considered.

<u>Grade Point Average</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
2.0-2.25	1
2.26-2.50	2
2.51-2.75	3
2.76-3.0	4
3.01-3.25	5
3.26-3.50	6
3.51-3.75	7
3.76-4.0	8

2. GPA – Grades for all prerequisite and corequisite courses completed by spring 2019. If a course has been repeated, **only** the highest applicable grade will be considered. Grades from NURS 129 or 130 are not calculated into this GPA.

<u>Grade Point Average</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
2.0-2.49	1
2.5-2.99	2
3.0-3.49	3
3.5-4.0	4

3. HESI Entrance Exam

<u>HESI Cumulative Score</u>	<u>Points Awarded</u>
0 – 60%	0
60 – 69%	1
70 – 79%	2
80 – 89%	3
90 =100%	4

4. Nevada Resident

An applicant who is classified as a Nevada resident for tuition purposes at Western Nevada College at the time of nursing program application (spring 2019) will be awarded one (1) point in the nursing admission selection criteria. The deadline to submit residency applications with all required documents to Admissions and Records for the spring 2019 semester is February 1, 2019. Only applicants classified as Nevada residents for fee/tuition at WNC for the spring 2019 semester will be granted this selection point; there will be no exceptions.

Maximum possible points: 17

Eligible applicants will be numerically ranked according to total points. Admission will be offered to the applicants with the highest points. In the event of applicants having an equal number of points, lots will be drawn to decide eligibility.

Notification of Acceptance

It is anticipated that applicants will be notified by email regarding their admission status on **approximately** June 14, 2019. **It is the applicant's responsibility to keep his/her email address current in MyWNC.** Information on admission status will not be provided until notification has been sent to all applicants. Applicants who are offered a position in the nursing program will have

a limited time to accept the position. Therefore, applicants who have travel plans in June and who will not have access to email are highly encouraged to contact Admissions and Records to discuss where and how they can be reached.

Prerequisite and Corequisite Requirements

All nursing program required courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher to be considered for admission into the nursing program; a grade of C- does not apply.

Science and nursing assistant courses, including Biology 190, 190L, 223, 224, 251, Chemistry 121 or equivalent, Nursing 129 and 130, must be completed within 5 years of application; classes completed from spring 2014 through spring 2019 will be accepted. Classes in these areas completed prior to spring 2014 will not be accepted. Biology 223 and 224 taken outside of an NSHE institution must be completed at the same college or university.

Applicants must successfully complete all the following prerequisites by the end of the spring 2019 semester (May 18, 2019) or equivalent at other institutions:

Prerequisite Courses

BIOL 223 and 224 (4 units each)	MATH 120, 126 or higher level (3 units)
CHEM 121 or Biology 190 and 190L (4 units)	PSY 101 (3 units)
(CHEM 110 is also acceptable in lieu of CHEM 121)	ENG101 (3 units)
Current CNA Certification or completion of NURS 129 or NURS 130 within the past 5 years	

Corequisite Courses

Completion of the following corequisite courses is not required for admission into the fall 2019 program; courses that are successfully completed by the end of the spring 2019 semester will be calculated into the selection criteria GPA(s). For the US/Nevada constitution requirement, courses must be completed in both US and Nevada constitutions to be entered in the selection criteria GPA.

English 102 (3 units)
Biology 251 (4 units)
US/NV Constitutions (3-6 units). Choose from: PSC 101, HIST 111, CH 203, or HIST 101 and one of the following: HIST 102, 217, PSC 100 or 208

Nursing Assistant Certification

Applicants must provide a copy of current state certification for Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) or complete NURS 129 or 130 with a grade of C or better within the last five years (from spring 2014 to spring 2019).

Transfer Courses and Transcripts

Applicants who will transfer courses and/or applicable test scores (such as AP) to fulfill nursing program prerequisite and/or corequisite requirements must submit official transcripts. **Official** transcripts (defined below) from any other institution, testing source, etc. showing completed program prerequisite or corequisite course(s) must be received by WNC Admissions & Records by April 1, 2019. **If WNC Admissions and Records does not have evidence of satisfactory completion or current enrollment in all required prerequisites from an applicant by April 1, 2019, the application will not be considered. Faxed or other unofficial transcripts will not be accepted.**

If an applicant is enrolled in courses at other colleges during the spring 2019 semester that are to be used to fulfill program prerequisite and/or corequisite requirements, the applicant must submit an official transcript showing the in-progress course(s) that must be received by April 1, 2019. Following this, the applicant must submit a second official transcript showing completion of the course(s) that must be received by June 5, 2019. Applicants enrolled in prerequisite or corequisite classes at any other college that does not list in progress classes may submit a letter from the college's records/Registrar's office listing specific classes for in progress classes; official transcripts must be received by the deadline for any applicable class completed prior to the spring 2019 semester.

Official Transcripts (defined)

A transcript from another college, university, high school, the College Board or other educational testing source, is considered official only if it is sent directly to Admissions and Records by mail (or electronically from a NSHE school or approved transcript company) from the applicable institution; faxed copies will not be accepted. A transcript that is hand carried in a sealed envelope to Admissions and Records that was mailed to the student directly from the applicable institution **may** be accepted as official provided the envelope has not been opened. A transcript delivered in any other manner is considered unofficial and will not be used for nursing program requirements.

Grade Changes

Applicants who have consulted with a WNC instructor and anticipate a grade change for a course to fulfill a nursing program requirement at any time during the spring 2019 semester should notify Lorraine Plympton or Dianne Hilliard in Admissions and Records, noting that they are a nursing program applicant. Without notification, the new grade may not be factored into the selection GPA, regardless of the date of the change. Grade changes will not be factored into the selection GPA after offers of acceptance are provided to applicants.

HESI Entrance Test

The Academic Skills Test for entrance into the nursing program for fall 2019 will be the Health Education Systems Incorporated (HESI) Admission Assessment examination. Students must complete the HESI exam at WNC during one of the following semesters to be considered for admissions into the fall 2019 nursing program: Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, or Spring 2019. Since the HESI exam is customized for each school, only HESI tests taken during the time frame mentioned above at Western Nevada College will be accepted; HESI tests taken at other schools will not be accepted. Students who do not take this test and submit their score will not be considered for admission into the nursing program.

There will be no minimum score required on any areas of the HESI exam. Students will be given 0 – 4 points depending on their cumulative score.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit the HESI test which must be received by Admissions and Records by April 1, 2019. **Taking the test at WNC without submitting scores to Admissions and Records by the deadline does not satisfy the HESI Entrance Test requirement.**

Further information, including dates the HESI test is given, may be found on the WNC Nursing Program/Degree website. **Students may take the test once each semester; repeats are not allowed within the same semester.** Please be advised that sign-ups are taken on a first come first serve basis and only continue through March.

Students Readmits

A student who matriculated into the WNC nursing program may be readmitted one time following a withdrawal/failure. The nursing program faculty reserves the right to deny readmission based on a history of unprofessional conduct which violates the ANA Code of Ethics.

Health and Immunization Requirements

Health and immunization requirements will be explained at the first nursing program orientation on June 20, 2019; Students must fulfill all requirements by the deadline specified at the orientation to start or continue in the nursing program.

Background Check

Students who are admitted into the nursing program will be required to submit evidence of an acceptable background check in order to start or continue in the program. Any student receiving an adverse finding will not be considered for admission.

Mandatory Nursing Program Orientations

Students offered admission and those who are alternates for admission into the nursing program **are required to attend a mandatory orientation session** scheduled from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm on **Thursday, June 20, 2019**. Accepted students must attend a second mandatory orientation on **Friday, August 23, 2019** from 8 am to 4 pm. The offer for admission or alternate status to the nursing program will be withdrawn if a student is not present for the entire orientation sessions.

Differential Fee

Students admitted into the nursing program will be required to pay an additional per unit fee for all nursing courses.

WNC Scholarships

All nursing program applicants are encouraged to submit a WNC Scholarship application for the fall 2019 semester; there are numerous scholarships available for students in the nursing program. The application may be found online on the WNC website under Financial Assistance. Please note this is not a requirement for application to the nursing program.



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APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 1, 2019

Name: _____
 (Last) (First) (MI) (Maiden or other name used)

Student ID Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

If courses completed from another college, university, or test scores (CLEP or AP) are to be evaluated for the nursing program, list each source below. If a college and/or educational source is not listed, it may not be evaluated for nursing program admission. If an official transcript is not received by the deadline(s), courses or test credit from the transfer source will not be evaluated for the nursing program. See section on transfer courses and transcripts for important information.

List ALL official transcripts from OTHER COLLEGES (not WNC), Certificates, CLEP, College Board scores, etc. to be evaluated on the lines below:

1. _____ 2. _____
 3. _____ 4. _____

If currently enrolled in any prerequisites and/or corequisites for the spring 2019 semester at any college other than WNC, list below. Note: courses not listed may not be evaluated for the fall 2019 nursing program.

1. Course (i.e. ENG 102) _____ College/institution: _____
 2. Course _____ College/institution: _____
 3. Course _____ College/institution: _____
 4. Course _____ College/institution: _____

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I accept complete responsibility for submitting all required documents to WNC Admissions and Records by the April 1, 2019 deadline:

- 1) A WNC application for admission (for students who have not taken a credit class at WNC within the last 2 years)**
- 2) An application to the nursing program**
- 3) Copy of HESI test scores**
- 4) If applicable, official transcripts from other colleges or other acceptable credit sources showing completion of prerequisite and/or corequisite courses. Current CNA certification (if applicable).**
- 5) If currently enrolled in a prerequisite course at another college, an official transcript and/or letter showing in progress courses by April 1, 2019 followed by an official transcript no later than June 5, 2019. The same deadlines apply if currently enrolled in a corequisite course at another college in order to have the course used in the GPA selection criteria.**

I have read and acknowledge the "Nursing Program Application Information 2019" provided in the information section of this application and understand that I am responsible to know all information provided. I understand that I will not be considered for admission into the WNC Nursing program if WNC Admissions and Records has not received the required documents by the deadlines, and that there are no exceptions. I understand that submission of documents to another WNC office or proof of ordering a transcript from another school does not satisfy the requirements.

I authorize the evaluation of my transcripts from other institutions (if applicable). I understand that it is my responsibility to keep my name, email address, address and phone number current through MyWNC. I understand that if I am accepted into the nursing program I will be required to attend mandatory orientations on June 20 and August 23 and must submit health and immunization records and evidence of an acceptable background check by required deadlines in order to start or continue in the program. I further authorize the WNC Office of Nursing and Allied Health to submit my name to health clinical sites as a potential nursing applicant for the purpose of review of my background check.

 Signature

 Date

**WNC NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION 2019
STUDENT CHECKLIST**

(For Student Use Only – not for submission)

The following list is provided to applicants applying to the nursing program as a reminder of what must be received by WNC Admissions and Records to be considered for admission into the fall 2019 nursing program at WNC:

- _____ 1) **Copy of HESI test scores – required for all applicants.**
Deadline: April 1, 2019

- _____ 2) **Application for Admission** – only if you have never taken a WNC course or have not taken a course within the last 2 years.
Deadline: April 1, 2019

- _____ 3) **Official Transcript(s)*** – only If any prerequisite or corequisite course has been completed at other colleges, universities, or through another source (AP tests, etc.).
Deadline: April 1, 2019

- _____ 4) **Official Transcript(s) to show current enrollment at another college*** – only If you are currently enrolled in any prerequisite or corequisite course at another college.
Students attending a college that does not list in progress courses on a transcript must submit a letter from the college's records/Registrar's office listing the in progress course(s).
Deadline: April 1, 2019
Followed by an official transcript showing completion of the in progress courses.
Deadline, June 5, 2019.

- _____ 5) **If you are currently certified as a CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant)**, a copy of your current state CNA Certification

- _____ 6) **Check your email address, mailing address and phone number** in myWNC to make sure it is current.

* If you have had college transcripts submitted by mail or electronically, you should have received an email confirming the receipt of the transcript from WNC Admissions and Records. If you later had an updated transcript sent, you should receive an additional email communication. If unsure you are strongly advised to check with Admissions and Records. Email confirmations are not sent for AP or other test scores. **It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that any transcripts and documents to be used in the nursing program admissions criteria are received by WNC Admissions and Records by the deadline(s).**

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