Procedure 300.1
Nursing Program – Admissions (Fall and Spring Acceptance)

February 21, 2024

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Summary

Genesee Community College guarantees acceptance into the College to any applicant who can benefit from an educational program. However, admission into the Nursing Program is selective and competitive.

Process

Priority will be given to applicants that meet all of the minimum requirements for admission into the Nursing Program by the application deadline. Applications will be reviewed according to the following time frames and may continue to be reviewed until the nursing program has a full cohort for the subsequent semester.

I. Application Procedures

Complete the following application processes by:

February 1 for fall acceptance; and

September 1 for spring acceptance.

A. Attend a Nursing Information Session. To register, go to [Genesee Community College's Nursing webpage,](#) or contact Admissions at 585-345-6800.

B. Submit a Genesee Community College Admissions Application. The Admissions Application can be accessed from the [Genesee Community College homepage](#) and completed online. Currently enrolled GCC students do not need to complete another Admissions Application. **Please note**: If you are a current high school senior taking GCC courses for credit, you **will** need to complete an Admissions Application.

C. Submit official high school transcripts or GED information.

D. Submit official transcripts from **ALL** colleges previously attended.

E. Submit a Nursing Program Admissions form, available at GCC's [Nursing Program webpage](#). Only applicants who have submitted this form are reviewed.

During the review process, a ranking system will be applied to those applicants who meet eligibility requirements. Written notification of acceptance will be made on or about March 15 for fall admissions and October 15 for spring admissions.

Accepted applicants are required to accept or decline the offer of admission by returning the Enrollment Confirmation form to the Program Director. Failure to submit this form by the stated deadline may result in forfeiture of a position in the Nursing Program.

Accepted applicants are required to attend an orientation session with the Director of the Nursing program. Accepted applicants will be notified of dates and times of these sessions. If an accepted applicant is unable to attend an orientation session, the director must be notified and other arrangements must be made.

If not accepted into the Nursing Program, the applicant can reapply by February 1 for fall acceptance or by September 1 for spring acceptance. Admission to the program is not guaranteed.

II. **Program Admission**

A. Academic Requirements:
- Possession of a high school diploma or equivalent.

- Students must meet the GCC Proficiency requirements for reading and math, and the student must place into ENG101 prior to being accepted into the program.

- Overall GPA must be at least 2.0 and will be calculated by including all colleges previously attended.

- Completion of BIO104 (Fundamentals of Cell Biology) with a grade of "C" or higher unless credit for Anatomy & Physiology has been earned. The New York State Regents Biology exam with a grade of 75 or higher will be considered for current high school students only.

- Completion of CHE100 (Introduction to Chemistry) with a grade of "C" or higher **OR** the New York State Regents Chemistry exam with a grade of 75 or higher, **OR** 80 in a Regents/non-Regents course.

- A support GPA, calculated from completed support courses must be 2.75 or higher. Students who have just graduated from high school will be considered individually, but must have a GPA or equivalent of 2.75 or higher. The following are support courses for the nursing program – ENG101, MAT108 or MAT129, PSY104, HUS102, BIO152, BIO153 and BIO201. MAT108 or MAT129 will not be included in the support GPA calculation.

- Completion of all support courses is not necessary in order to apply.

- If previously completed, the applicant must have earned a "C" or higher in the support courses BIO152, BIO153 and BIO201. In addition, these courses must have been completed no more than five years prior to entrance into the Nursing program

- The GCC Nursing program does not consider applicants who have received a grade of less than a "C" two or more times in required Biology coursework such as BIO152, BIO153, and BIO201 in the past 5 years.

- The GCC Nursing Program does not consider applicants who have received a grade of less than a "C" in a nursing course in another Nursing program.

III. Program Dismissals

Students may be dismissed from the Nursing Program for the following reasons:

A. Academic
- A student who receives less than a "C" in any nursing course or a final grade of "Clinical Fail" in a clinical course will fail that course and be dismissed from the Nursing Program.

- **A student receiving less than a grade of 70 in any nursing course will be ineligible for readmission**.

- **A student who receives a grade of 70-74 in any nursing course or a "Clinical Fail" in any clinical course may repeat only one semester.** Failure of a nursing course and a clinical course in the same semester will be considered one failure. Failure of two courses in different semesters or failure of the same course when repeating it will be considered two failures. Earning a grade of less than a "C" (between 70-74) or a final grade of "Clinical Fail" in clinical will result in the need to repeat both the co-requisite theory course and clinical course.

- A student who fails more than one nursing or clinical course is permanently ineligible for readmission to the Nursing program.

B. Withdrawal from nursing courses or nursing course pre-requisites.

C. Stepping out of the required sequence of nursing courses (e.g. step out for personal reasons, failing to pass a pre-requisite course with the required grade).

D. Violation of Nursing Program policies as noted in the Nursing Program Student Handbook.

Any students dismissed from the program **must** reapply.

IV. Program Readmission

A number of situations may result in dismissal or withdrawal from the Nursing Program (see Dismissal Criteria in Nursing Program Student Handbook). If one is dismissed or withdraws from the program and wishes to be readmitted, the student must meet ALL of the following requirements:

A. Requirements

- Have failed no more than one nursing course **with a grade of 70 -74**. Failure of two nursing courses during the program **or one nursing course with a grade of less than 70** results in permanent ineligibility for readmission.

- Have begun their first clinical course in the program no longer than 5 years ago.

- Have a support GPA, calculated from support courses required for the Nursing Program of **2.75 or higher** excluding the failed nursing course. Overall GPA must be at least 2.0.

- Must have participated in a required exit meeting with the Nursing Director to discuss readmission, if eligible and if desired, at the time of dismissal/withdrawal.

- Submit a Readmission Request Form to the Nursing Director.

- Requests for readmission for the next semester after course failure should be received by the Nursing Director within 7 business days of posting of final course grades in Brightspace.

A rubric will be used to score applicants for readmission to the Nursing Program. Readmission is granted on a space available basis. Students are readmitted starting with the highest score until all spaces are filled.

V.   **Time Limits for Completion of the Nursing Courses**

The sequence of nursing courses must be completed within a five–year period from the beginning of the first nursing course.

Forms
None

Related Documents
Procedure 300 – Admissions
Policy 1005 – Full Opportunity Program