

Tennessee Technology Center at Covington 2011 Practical Nursing Education Information

We are currently NOT accepting scores for our Practical Nursing Program.
The deadlines for both 2010 classes have now passed.

Please call back in September 2010 for more information about our
day September 2011 class and our evening/weekend October 2011 class.

Below is General Information about our Nursing Program.
Please visit our website in September 2010 for more detailed information.

What types of classes are available?

Full-time Day program – This class is 12 months in length and meets Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (clinical times may vary). Our next day class will begin on September 1, 2011.

Part-time Evening/Weekend program - This class is 18 months in length and meets Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday evenings from 5 to 9 pm and 8 hours on Saturday (clinical times may vary). Our next evening/weekend class is tentatively scheduled to begin in October 2011.

What is the Application Process?

Once you have passed an approved nursing entrance exam AND your scores rank in the top percentile (based on the number of passing scores received), you will receive a letter regarding the next step in the application process. Students are required to pass an approved nursing entrance exam by the deadline, attend the orientation session, complete paperwork by the deadline, and interview before their file is submitted to a committee. The committee will review all eligible applicants and select the class. Please note: passing the approved nursing entrance exam does not guarantee admittance.

What are the approved nursing entrance exams?

We currently accept 4 nursing entrance exams. You only have to take and pass 1 of the 4 to be considered for the class.

Compass – 50 in Math (Pre-Algebra) and 80 in Reading

Asset – 38 in Math and 42 in Reading

Nursing Entrance Test (NET) – 42 in Math and 51 in Reading (taken from May 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009)

ACT - must be between the ages of 17 and 20 and scores must be 19 in all parts, Math, Reading, and English.

A 19 composite score on the ACT is not acceptable.

Passing scores are valid for two years for the Practical Nursing program.

Best scores will be accepted in both Compass and ACT, not necessarily latest.

When is the approved nursing entrance exam given?

Compass fees are \$15 for a full assessment or full battery retest, \$8 for a single section retest. You must come to the center and pay the non-refundable/non-transferable testing fee of \$15 (or \$8 for a retest) **in cash** (no checks or credit/debit cards accepted) to reserve a testing date and time. Limited seating is available.

Full Compass must be taken for first attempt; no partials given as first attempt. Students may retake a portion not passed (Math or Reading), and are NOT required to take the full battery as a retest. When you come to register for a retest, you must bring a copy of the passing score on the other section with you when you come to register. Waiting period to retest is 30 days. Please allow 3 hours for the testing process.

How do I prepare for the approved nursing entrance exam?

The Compass is an untimed computerized test. Below are two links for Compass practice questions:

- <http://www.act.org/compass/sample/>
- <http://www.testprepreview.com/>

All testing supplies, including a standard four function calculator, will be provided at the time of test. Student only needs to bring a current photo ID on the day of test.

More Questions? Please e-mail Amanda Heath, Student Services Coordinator, at amanda.heath@tcccovington.edu.