NURSING 📍 CALMAR / PEOSTA

Admission Requirements

NURSING ADMISSIONS ASSESSMENT

Students are required to complete the ATI TEAS entrance exam. This exam covers reading, math, science and language usage. Students must complete the ATI TEAS exam with a minimum composite score of 58.7%. Scores may be transferred from another institution and must have been completed within five years of the student's application date. More information regarding preparation and exam registration can be found at **nicc.edu/ati**

COURSEWORK

Completion of the following coursework is required with a minimum grade of C- or better and must have been successfully completed no more than five years prior to the student's application date. For transfer consideration of the following coursework, submit official college transcripts to the Admissions Office for evaluation.

- Human Anatomy and Physiology I with lab component [BIO:168] *Mandatory prerequisite, one year high school biology/chemistry or college equivalent with a minimum grade of C-; or a minimum grade of C- in BIO: 112, BIO: 157, BIO:161, or CHM: 110. Submit your high school transcript to document completion of the prerequisite.*
- Human Anatomy and Physiology II with lab component [BIO:173]
- Dosage Calculations [PNN:200] Prerequisite is a qualifying math score that can be discussed with your advisor.
- Introduction to Nutrition [PNN:270] *(2 credits)* or Nutrition [BIO:151] *(3 credits)* or HSC:221 Introduction to Nutrition *(2 credits)*

Admission Status

PENDING REQUIREMENTS

Students with a pending requirements status have submitted an application to the nursing program, but have not completed one or more of the nursing admission requirements outlined above. Students with a pending requirements status are not ranked on the waitlist until all requirements have been satisfied.

WAITLIST

Waitlist students have all the admission requirements completed and are waiting for acceptance into the nursing program. A waitlist is necessary due to limited capacity for enrollment in the program. At the end of each semester, the Admissions Office will review academic coursework and document successful completion of the admission requirements for the program. Students are ranked on the waitlist based on the date they complete all admission requirements.

ACCEPTED

The nursing programs begin in the fall and spring each year. Students at the top of the waitlist will be offered entry into the program and will be required to respond to the Admissions Office if they are interested in enrolling to avoid cancellation of their application. A student who refuses an acceptance offer will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist as of the date the Admissions Office receives notice of their intent not to enroll.

Program Costs	Practical Nursing	Associate Degree Nursing
Tuition/Fees *(does not include pre-requisite courses)*	$9,844 in-state* I $11,254 out-of-state*	$16,368 in-state* I $18,711 out-of-state*
Background Check, Drug Test & Medical Document Manager	$103	$103
Physical Exam/Immunizations *(Based on health coverage)*	Undetermined	Undetermined
Apparel/Clinical Supplies/Lab Kits/Sim Lab Fee	$635	$868
Computerized Testing Package	$1,697	$3,100
Clinical Transportation *(Gas and Lodging)*	Undetermined	Undetermined
NCLEX/CNA Registry Exam	$343	$686
Admission Exam	$70	$70
Books *(estimated)*	$1,400	$2,140
TOTAL	**$14,092** in-state* I **$15,502** out-of-state*	**$23,335** in-state* I **$27,661** out-of-state*

*The costs above are provided as a guide to financing your education. The costs provided are estimated at time of publication and do not reflect the exact cost a student may incur. * Based on the 2024-2025 tuition and fee rates.*

Program Requirements

The following requirements must be satisfied prior to the first semester of the nursing programs at the College. Introduction to Nursing Concepts is the first clinical course in the nursing program. If any of the following are not completed prior to starting Introduction to Nursing Concepts, acceptance in the program will be offered to another student. A student who does not successfully satisfy the program requirements listed below will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist after submission of the required paperwork.

ORIENTATION

- Complete a pre-nursing online orientation at the start of your first semester at the College.
- Attend a mandatory Introduction to Nursing Concepts program orientation after acceptance to the nursing program.

TRAINING

- Complete the CPR certification *(American Heart Association Health Care Professionals BLS or American Red Cross CPR for Healthcare Providers)*
- Mandatory Reporter Child and Dependent Adult Abuse
- NICC HIPAA and Bloodborne Pathogen
- Certified Nurse Aide (CNA)
    - Complete the minimum of a 75-hour CNA course. A copy of your certificate must be submitted. CNA offerings through the College can be found at **nicc.edu/solutions** or with your enrollment advisor.
    - Complete the written and skills competency tests for the CNA registry. A copy of your Direct Care Worker registry results must be submitted. **dia-hfd.state.ia.us**

STUDENT HEALTH AND BACKGROUND SCREENING

- Purchase a CastleBranch package to certify and collect compliance documents required of healthcare professionals.
- Criminal, dependent adult and child abuse background screening
- Physical and immunization records *(time-sensitive, one-year expiration)*
- Drug testing
- Provide annual proof of health insurance coverage prior to lab and clinical experiences.
- For more detailed information and instructions visit **nicc.edu/programrequirements**

Resources

- **nicc.edu/nursing**
- **nicc.edu/practicalnursing**
- **iowa.gov/nursing**
- **discovernursing.com**
- **castlebranch.com**
- **bhw.hrsa.gov/funding/apply-loan-repayment/nurse-corps**

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