

# ASSOCIATE DEGREE NURSING PROGRAM PN to RN Advanced Placement Program

APPLICATION PACKET FOR ENTRY INTO PROGRAM IN FALL 2023

Application Deadline: Thursday, April 20, 2023 by 5:00 PM

Application materials must be received in the Cardinal Central Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2023, unless otherwise indicated.

Please know cohort acceptance size, deadlines and conditions are subject to change based upon unforeseen developments surrounding COVID-19.

#### Application materials must be submitted as follows:

Email application materials to: <a href="https://example.com/html/>
<a href="https://example.com/html/>
HPN@nic.edu">https://example.com/html/
HPN@nic.edu</a></a>

Application materials can be also be mailed, faxed or delivered to:

North Idaho College
Cardinal Central Office (Lee-Kildow Hall)
1000 West Garden Avenue
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

Fax: 208-769-3399

In Person: Text 'Cardinal' to 208-268-6485 to get in line

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all required information is submitted and received in Cardinal Central and that documentation of all requirements is included in the application. Applicants may verify documents received on their MyNIC account. Once you log into your MyNIC account, select Self Service under the Services area. Once you are within Self Service, on the left-hand side panel, select the person avatar icon (User Options) and select My Documents. If the Status column says Not Received for the Requesting Office of Admissions, we will need that document for your program file. No verbal or other written verification will be given. No recognition is given for requirements/courses without documentation.

#### **Zoom Information Session**

There will be a Zoom information session prior to the posted application deadline. Information session attendance is not required; however, students are strongly encouraged to attend. During the information session the current application and specific application instructions will be reviewed. These are interactive meetings, attendees are encouraged to thoroughly review the application prior to the information session and have questions ready as each element of the application is addressed. Please see the time and link to session below.

March 23, 2023 - 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

In the unlikely event the information session is unable to proceed as originally scheduled or if potential applicants are unable to attend the scheduled information session, please know, it is still the applicant's responsibility to read and understand the application thoroughly despite any unforeseen circumstances pertaining to the information session.

If there are questions not answered within the scheduled information session, please reach out to the nursing advisor for clarification on specific questions.

Wendy R. McIntosh
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## North Idaho College Associate Degree Nursing Program Advanced Placement Application Checklist

This sheet is provided to ensure that your application is complete. This checklist does not need to be included with your application. All application materials must be emailed to <a href="https://example.com/HPN@nic.edu">HPN@nic.edu</a> or received in the Cardinal Central Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2023, unless otherwise indicated.

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STEP 1:	Apply to North Idaho College
	<ol> <li>Be registered for classes at NIC for Spring 2023 as a degree-seeking student by the application deadline and submit the Fall 2023 Nursing application <u>OR</u></li> <li>If not taking classes at NIC in Spring 2023, you must apply to NIC for Fall 2023 as a degree-seeking student by the application deadline <u>and</u> submit the Fall 2023 Nursing application.</li> </ol>
	Students enrolled in Dual Credit for Spring 2023 through NIC must still submit a degree-seeking application to NIC for Fall 2023.  Waitlisted courses at application deadline will not be considered as enrolled courses. Applicants must be registered in one or more courses through NIC at application deadline or must complete a degree-seeking application to NIC for the Fall 2023.
STEP 2:	Students are required to submit official military transcripts and official college transcripts from every college or university attended by the application deadline. If courses are still in progress at the time of the application deadline, in progress official transcripts are still required by the deadline AND final transcripts of courses enrolled in at the time of the application deadline must be submitted immediately after grades are posted. Please be aware that transcripts are not retained for a long period of time and you may need to reorder transcripts even if you've previously applied for NIC and/or the Associate Degree Nursing Program. Only courses that appear on official transcripts at the application deadline will be used to determine points for admission. Applicants using AP, CLEP or other test scores for a course to meet a degree requirement must submit a paper copy of the scores if the test score is not listed on the transcript. COMPASS, RSAT or ACT Test scores are valid for four years from the test date.
STEP 3:	Submit Page 6 of this Application ☐ Complete ☐ Incomplete  Page 6 of this application must be completed, signed and submitted to Cardinal Central prior to or along with any items referenced on pages 4 & 5 of this application. Failure to do so will result in an Incomplete Application status. Please complete and submit the page titled North Idaho College Application for Admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program Fall 2023 as soon as possible in order to review your electronic checklist through Self-Service. Instructions for reviewing your electronic checklist can be found on the bottom of pages 1 & 5. Your electronic checklist will be available approximately 2 − 5

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business days after submission of completed application page.

	Applicants must complete and submit the 'Acknowledgement of Vaccination Requirement' form located on page 5. Appropriate signature and date information is required! No electronic signatures permitted! Please do not submit vaccination records along with application materials.
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Ni ✓	For applicants who have applied previously, you <u>may</u> not need to submit the TEAS results again. It is your responsibility to ensure the Admissions Office has your results and that the scores have not expired. To find TEAS scores on file, log in to your MyNIC account, select Self Service under the Services area. Once you are in Self Service, select the grad hat icon (Academics) on the left side-panel, then select Test Summary. TEAS results will be listed under Admission Tests. If more than one valid TEAS score has been submitted, the most recent score will be used in the calculation process. Applicants may take the TEAS only once each application cycle through the NIC Testing Center. TEAS scores are valid for two years; however, scores can be no older than 2 years at the time of the application deadline. Please verify that any previous TEAS scores align with the updated TEAS scores on the Associate Degree Nursing Point Calculation Worksheet within this application packet. If your previous score places you into a different point category, you will want to test again, as only new points scale will be used in the calculation process.
	Applicants who have attended any nursing program other than NIC, and not completed that program, must submit a statement regarding eligibility for readmission to each nursing program previously attended. The statement must be on school letterhead and must come from a dean or director of the program. If a nursing school statement was submitted with a completed application to an NIC nursing program within the previous two years, a new statement must be submitted again with this application.
	The applicant must document a minimum of 6 months of full-time work experience (or the equivalent in part-time experience of 750 hours) as an LPN in the preceding 3 years. Applicants must submit the <i>Verification of Work Experience</i> form with the Admission Packet by April 20, 2023. The applicant will have until July 1, 2023 to complete required hours. If required hours will be completed after the application deadline, it is <b>the applicant's responsibility</b> to submit supplementary verification of hours completed directly to the Division of Nursing, North Idaho College, by July 5, 2023.
	All applicants for Advanced Placement must have verification of IV certification or documentation of an approved IV course taken within three years of application deadline. This may include documentation of IV insertion content in an LPN program. If the applicant doesn't hold an active IV certification, a letter from your current employer verifying that your IV skills are active and current may also be submitted by application deadline.

<b>C</b> u ✓	Current Schedule  ✓ Applicants who are enrolled in prerequisites in Spring College must submit a copy of their current schedul  Prerequisite Course Information Sheet.	
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	These prerequisite courses include:	

- English 101 (English Composition)
- English 102 (English Composition)
- Biology 227 (Human Anatomy and Physiology I)
- Biology 228 (Human Anatomy and Physiology II)
- Bacteriology 250 (General Microbiology)
- Communications 101 (Public Speaking)
- Psychology 101 (Introduction to Psychology)
- Sociology 101 (Introduction to Sociology)
- One Math course from the Math List for the A.S. Degree (see NIC Catalog)
- Transition course required during fall for those who are accepted into the program (NURS 196). This will also include clinical rotations as well as documentation of vaccinations and/or additional vaccinations.

Incomplete applications or application materials received after 5:00 PM on April 20, 2023 will not be considered.

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# Application for Admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program ADVANCED PLACEMENT APPLICATION Fall 2023

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The nursing program is committed to diversity and has a selection process which does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex or age.

This page must be completed, signed and submitted to Cardinal Central prior to or along with any items referenced on pages 4 & 5 of this application. Failure to do so will result in an Incomplete Application status.



#### **Health Professions and Nursing**

## Important Acknowledgement of Vaccination Requirements by Health Care Facilities/Clinical Sites

In order to meet course and program outcomes and receive the Associate of Science Degree in Nursing or the Intermediate Technical Certificate for Practical Nursing and to qualify to take the national licensure examination (NCLEX-RN©), all nursing students are required to participate in clinical activities.

The North Idaho College Nursing Program utilizes health care facilities throughout the region to achieve the clinical component of the Program. Some, if not all, of the Health Care Facilities providing clinical sites currently (or may in the future) require evidence of vaccinations including the COVID-19 vaccination in order to participate in clinical experiences at their facilities. Below is a list of all vaccinations currently required at various facilities.

Any student enrolling in a Nursing Program (RN or PN) is informed that the College has no duty and/or obligation to secure a Health Care Facility/Clinical Site that does not require COVID-19 or any other vaccinations as part of the clinical component of the Program. North Idaho College may inquire, on behalf of Students, potential exemptions that Health Care Facilities/Clinical Sites may accept for purposes of Student's election not to obtain a vaccine, including any religious or medical exemption that may be available. All admitted students must recognize and agree that acceptance of such exemption is left to the sole and absolute discretion of the Health Care Facility/Clinical Site and not the college.

Current Vaccination Requirements: (may be altered by healthcare facilities at any time)

- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
- Varicella (Chicken pox)
- Hepatitis B
- Annual influenza
- Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis
- COVID-19

If a student does not wish to become vaccinated then NIC may not be able to find placement in an internal or external clinical site.

Sign acknowledging receipt and understanding of the above information:		
Student Signature	Date	
Print Name		

Acknowledgement of this document is required for admission to Nursing Programs at North Idaho College. Return this document as requested within the Program application process.

## **Prerequisite Information Sheet**

Students currently enrolled in prerequisites at schools *OTHER* than North Idaho College must complete this information sheet. This sheet and documentation of enrollment in the prerequisites listed below must be submitted with the application in order to provide evidence of eligibility. Applicants must be enrolled in any remaining prerequisites at the application deadline. Failure to provide proof of registration in any remaining prerequisites at a school other than NIC will result in an Incomplete Application status. *Minimum prerequisites include:* ENGL 101, ENGL 102, BIOL 227, BIOL 228, BACT 250, PSYC 101, SOC 101, COMM 101 & GEM 3 Math course.

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Official transcripts with final grades for all prerequisite courses not completed at NIC must be received in Cardinal Central by September 1, 2023

## **RN Entrance Exam (TEAS)**

A copy of TEAS standardized test scores must be submitted as part of the application process no later than the application deadline. Students unable to attend testing sessions provided by NIC are responsible for completing this requirement elsewhere. Please contact the NIC Testing Center for possible alternatives.

#### To schedule Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) through the NIC Testing Center:

- If applying to the North Idaho College nursing program for the Fall 2023 cohort, <u>you must first complete and submit</u> the page titled 'North Idaho College Application for Admission to the Associate Degree Nursing Program Fall 2023' to Cardinal Central. TEAS results submitted prior to the signed application page will result in an ineligible TEAS score.
- 2. Limited TEAS testing will be available via the NIC Testing Center. Click on the links below to view any currently available sessions.
- 3. Schedule the exam.
  - A. To schedule the exam at NIC in Coeur d'Alene: Log on to <a href="www.nic.edu/teas">www.nic.edu/teas</a>
  - B. To schedule the exam at an NIC Outreach Center: Log on to <a href="www.nic.edu/teas">www.nic.edu/teas</a> and follow the information for the Outreach Center of your choice.
- 4. Bring to the testing site on your scheduled day:
  - Your picture ID
  - A valid **credit/debit card** to pay for the exam (cash or checks are <u>not accepted</u>). **The cost can range from \$58 \$65.**

Applicants who appear for testing without a picture ID and valid credit/debit card will not be allowed to test.

#### Additional TEAS Information:

- In addition to the NIC testing fee, the applicant is also responsible for all fees assessed by an alternate test site.
- The exam may take up to 4 hours to complete. It may be taken only once each application period. TEAS scores may be used for two consecutive application years. If the TEAS is repeated, the most recent scores will be used for the application.

North Idaho College is committed to serving TEAS examinees with documented disabilities by providing reasonable accommodations appropriate to the examinee's diagnosis and needs. North Idaho College also provides some supports to English Learners, (English as a Second Langage, 'ESL'). In order to be considered for TEAS accommodations, please contact the North Idaho College Disability Support Services (DSS) office at 208-665-4520. The DSS office is located in Seiter Hall, Room 100.

### North Idaho College Associate Degree Nursing Program

#### **VERIFICATION OF LPN WORK EXPERIENCE**

### To be completed by the student:

I hereby give permission for the release of information to the Associate Degree Nursing Program at North Idaho College:

Applicant Name (printed):

Signature:

Date:
To be completed by the employer:
Please complete the following information below in regard to this employee.  After completion please return this form to employee.
Facility Name:
Unit Worked/Description of Unit:
Dates of Employment:
Total number of hours worked as an LPN at this facility in the preceding 3 years:
Name/Position of individual completing this form:
Signature:Phone Number
Data

(Submit this page, if applicable)

## Associate Degree Nursing

#### **Point Calculation Worksheet**

#### To be kept by the applicant for personal use.

A. GPA

B. Bonus Points

A.S. Degree	Grade	Bonus Points	GPA
Requirement			
ENGL 101		• Biol-227, Biol-228 & Bact-250	
ENGL 102		are worth 4 additional bonus	$\geq$ 3.7 – 4.00 = 35 pts
BIOL 227		points each if completed with a 3.0 or higher (If repeated,	
BIOL 228		average of 2 most recent	$\geq$ 3.4 – 3.69 = 25 pts
BACT 250		scores must average 3.0 or	
GEM 3 MATH		higher)     Completion, with C/2.0, of non-prerequisite degree requirements are worth 1	$\geq 3.0 - 3.39 = 15 \text{ pts}$
COMM 101			
PSYC 101			< 3.0 = Ineligible
SOC 101			
GEM 5 (Arts & Humanities)		additional point per course	
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Total A	
Total B	

C. Pre-admission Assessment Exam (TEAS). The number for "adjusted individual total" score percentage will be used to determine points as follows:

$$92\% - 100\% = 25 \text{ pts}$$
  
 $80\% - 91.9\% = 20 \text{ pts}$   
 $58.7 - 79.9 = 15 \text{ pts}$   
Below  $58.7\% = \text{Ineligible}$ 

Total C \_\_\_\_\_

D. 12 or more 100-level or higher credits completed at NIC with C/2.0 = 15 pts 6 - 11 100-level or higher credits completed at NIC with C/2.0 = 8 pts **Total D** 

E. Bachelor's or higher from regionally accredited institution, recognized by NIC = 10 pts

Total E \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL A - E \_\_\_\_\_

## Frequently Asked Application Questions (FAAQs)

Q: When and how will I know if I got into the program?

A: Applicants will be notified of acceptance or denial to program approximately three months after application deadline occurs. Applicants will be notified via standard mail. It is vital that any changes to your address be reported directly to the nursing advisor so corrections can be made prior to decisions being mailed. Please notify the nursing advisor via phone or email @ (208)769-3373 or wendy.mcintosh@nic.edu.

**Q:** After decisions are mailed, will there be an orientation?

**A:** Within the final acceptance letters, there will be details regarding the mandatory orientation. Accepted and alternate students must appear in person at the Coeur d'Alene campus on the scheduled date and time in order to retain their accepted or alternate status.

Q: Do I get points for the requirements I'm working on now?

**A:** Courses in progress at the application deadline are not eligible for bonus points nor are they factored into cumulative GPA on program requirements.

Q: Do I get points if I'm in the military or a veteran?

**A:** Military service is not eligible for additional points; however, In the event there are applicants with an equal number of points, and the number of applicants (who are tied) outnumber the remaining open positions in the program, the following system will be used to determine who is selected:

- Applicants with an equal number of points (tied) who have provided appropriate documentation of military service will be put at the top of their point category. If there continues to be a tie, then:
- Cumulative GPA on completed program requirements will be used to rank the remaining tied applicants. If there still continues to be a tie. then:
- A random drawing of all the remaining tied applicants will be held for the final position(s)

Q: I sent in documents before I submitted my signed Nursing application page. Am I good?

**A:** Application materials submitted prior to the signed Nursing application page will be invalid. You must submit the signed Nursing application page prior to or along with additional application materials. Submitting any nursing application materials prior to the signed Nursing application page will result in an ineligible or incomplete application status.

**Q:** I applied to the Nursing program on my NIC application but my degree is something different. How do I get this corrected?

**A:** Students are not assigned the specific Nursing degree until after they have been accepted to the program.

**Q**: May I apply to the program more than once?

A: Applicants who have been accepted to a nursing program at North Idaho College on two different occurrences are no longer eligible for consideration for admission. Applicants are permitted two separate attempts at success in the North Idaho College nursing programs. This policy applies to acceptance for the Licensed Practical Nursing program and the Associate Degree Nursing program. There are no restrictions as to the number of times an applicant may apply prior to acceptance into one of the North Idaho College Nursing programs.

- Q: How is GPA calculated when more than one course may meet degree requirements?
- A: If applicants have more than one course that will meet a degree requirement (i.e. three GEM 5 courses or two GEM 3 courses), the course(s) meeting the requirement(s) with the highest grade will be used in GPA calculation.
- Q: Do I need to submit official NIC transcripts?
- A: No, applicants do not need to submit official NIC transcripts. However, it is highly recommended that applicants with transfer credits view their transcript evaluations <a href="beta-engline">before</a> the application deadline to assure that they have courses which meet the prerequisite admission requirements for the Associate Degree Nursing program at North Idaho College. The transcript evaluation may be viewed on the applicant's MyNIC account. Once logged into your MyNIC account, at the top of the screen in the Search box type 'Transcript Credits' and find the search result for Transfer Summary.
- **Q**: I studied abroad and have some credits or have a degree from a non-US college or university. Can I submit my transcript from that institution by the nursing deadline? If my foreign credits are listed on another US college or university transcript, can I submit that US college transcript to meet the requirement?
- A: No, we cannot accept foreign transcripts in those manners. All non-US college transcripts must be evaluated by a professional international transcript service such as WES.org, at the student's expense. That organization will then provide the evaluated transcript on behalf of the student to NIC. Such evaluated transcripts must be received by the nursing application deadline. Just like US transfer credits, we cannot accept foreign transfer credits listed on another school's transcript. Please refer to <a href="Admissions">Admissions</a> International Students (nic.edu) for additional information.
- **Q:** What is the minimum eligible grade for each prerequisite and general education requirement for the Associate Degree Nursing program?
- **A:** A minimum grade of C/2.0 must be earned in each required prerequisite and general education requirement for the Associate Degree Nursing program. Please refer to page 11 for cumulative GPA requirement and list of prerequisite and general education courses.
- Q: Is the NIC Associate Degree Nursing program requiring the COVID-19 vaccine?
- **A:** The NIC Associate Degree Nursing program relies on clinical partners to meet student learning outcomes, some of which have enacted policies regarding mandatory vaccinations for COVID-19. Decisions regarding requirements for various vaccinations are outside NIC's control and are at the sole discretions of each individual facility.