



Associate Degree Nursing Program Admission Criteria
Criteria Effective for 2022-23 Nursing Cohort

The Associate Degree Nursing Program is a selective admission program. Nursing Program applicants must meet criteria to be considered for the Nursing Program. Applications are accepted from October 1-July 31 each year. Only applicants who meet established minimum criteria will be considered for the nursing program. Meeting minimum standards does not ensure admission to the nursing program. Applicants will be accepted until each class is fully enrolled.

Minimum Criteria Checklist:

- Students under the age of 18 are subject to additional policies regarding their dependency status.
- Placement into Math 108 or successful completion of Math 105 with a grade of “C” or higher. Math 103 with a grade of “C” or higher will also be accepted.
- Accuplacer re-evaluation of English and Math is needed:
 - for any assessment scores greater than three years old
 - for college coursework that is greater than 5 years old
- Cumulative GPA in the following pre-requisite courses must be a 3.0 or higher:
 - English Composition (ENG 101) or Technical English (ENG 105)
 - General Psychology (PSY 101)
 - Human Anatomy (BIO 250)
- Completion of COL 102: College and Career Readiness
- BIO 250 and BIO 251 must be completed within the last 7 years and must be complete with a minimum of a B- or higher.*
- Math Assessment: Students will complete a comprehensive nursing math assessment in August. Students who do not pass the assessment with an 80% or higher must complete a Math Bootcamp class in August before starting Nursing coursework.
- Current certification as a Certified Nursing Assistant in any state. Successful completion of a CNA class will be accepted for students with a current CMA Certification or EMT License.
- Acceptance into Gogebic Community College.
- Personal Statement: include why you have chosen nursing as a career, what makes you a good candidate for the nursing program, pertinent background regarding who you are as a person, and any additional information that would help explain you or your academic path.

Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission into the nursing program. All applicants are subject to minimum requirements with are subject to change. Students should contact the Allied Health Office or visit the program website at <http://www.gogebic.edu> for the most current requirements.

Students can repeat a pre-requisite class a maximum of 2 times in 5 years. The higher of the two grades will be considered in the cumulative GPA.

Gogebic Community College Nursing Program has a rolling admission. Once a student has met all minimum requirements, they will be considered for acceptance into the program. Acceptance letters will be sent out between May and the start of the academic year.

Continuation in the nursing program is conditional until the following requirements are met:

1. A physical exam revealing no medical reason which would exclude the student from participating in the nursing program.
2. A record of current immunizations per the immunization policy.
3. Current CPR for the Health Care Provider card from the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross.
4. A negative drug screen as defined by the Gogebic Community College drug screen policy.
5. Negative criminal background checks and fingerprinting results as defined by the Gogebic Community College Criminal Background Check Policy.

General Information

1. Previous or current conviction of a crime and/or treatment for substance abuse may result in ineligibility to be licensed as a registered nurse. The determination of eligibility to take the NCLEX-RN is made by the Michigan State Board of Nursing.
2. A physical exam is required (at the student's expense) confirming that the student meets the physical and mental requirements, found in the Nursing Technical Standards. Students with a documented disability can request reasonable accommodations to meet these standards. The college will provide appropriate accommodations, but is not required to substantially alter the requirements or nature of the program. Requests for accommodations should be directed to the Disability Services Office at (906) 307-1237.
3. Registered Nurses provide direct care for individuals and families. This care requires the nurse to meet specific technical standards in order to perform nursing functions. To be considered for admission to the program or continue in the program, applicants must be able to meet the Nursing Technical Standards available on the GCC Nursing Website.
4. Students admitted to the nursing program must consent to criminal background checks and drug screening. Convictions of a certain felonies or misdemeanors may prevent a student from admission to a nursing program for a specific period of time in accordance with facility policies and the Michigan Compiled Laws. No student will be allowed to continue in the program with a positive drug screen for illegal substances. Positive background checks or drug screening may also be grounds for continuing in the program. If you have any questions or concerns about these requirements, contact the Allied Health Coordinator at 906-307-1268. All drug screens and background checks are at the expense of the students.
5. The abuse of alcohol and/or the use of illegal drugs and controlled substances are known to cause physical, mental and psychosocial effects and may render an individual unable to perform

the essential functions of an Allied Health Student in a safe and competent manner. A student must not be mentally impaired and must be able to function optimally in the clinical setting in any case. Students may need to work with their primary care physician for alternative treatments if the student is taking a prescribed drug that impairs function. Students should note that medical marijuana or its metabolite is not an accepted substance in drug screens and will result in a positive drug screen. Students with a prescription for medical marijuana and recreational marijuana are not considered cleared from a positive drug screen, nor are they exempt from a drug screen.

6. Students must complete the nursing portion of the program in an appropriate time frame. Students withdrawing or failing withdrawal must follow the readmission policy found in the student handbook. Students will be required to meet the same admission requirements as all new incoming Allied Health Program students.
7. Students are required to have reliable internet access and a portable device that they can access classroom information, eBooks, and program educational resources.
8. Students will attend clinical rotations at a variety of sites in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and Wisconsin. Students are expected to maintain a flexible schedule during the course of the nursing program. Clinical assignments vary and are subject to change. Students are required to be available for rotations any day of the week and any shift. This includes weekends. On days that are not scheduled for class or clinical, students may be expected to study, complete activities, review materials, or practice in the skills laboratory. There may be mandatory events on other days, however, students will receive advanced notice for any changes to the schedule.
9. Students are required to adhere to the policies and procedures found in the Allied Health Handbook, as well as the Gogebic Community College Handbook.
10. Prior to graduation students must complete at least one Humanities Course and one Communications Course with a "C" or higher.

NURSING ADMISSION DATES AND DEADLINES	
Applications accepted	October – July
Math Exam	August
Math Boot Camp	August
Background Check, Drug Screen, Immunizations	August 12

If there are more eligible candidates than space in the program, students will be placed on a wait list. In the event that two candidates have equal eligibility, the student with the highest GPA will be accepted.