

Fall 2024

Practical Nursing & Associate Degree Nursing Application Process



Our program is designed for students to complete the Practical Nursing (PN) program first. At that time, the student may take the NCLEX PN and practice as a licensed practical nurse or reapply to our Associate Degree Program (ADN). After successful completion of the ADN program, the student is prepared to take the NCLEX RN and practice as a registered nurse.

SIC accepts 60 students into each Fall semester full-time PN program, 20 students into the part-time PN program, and 30 students into the full-time ADN program. Preference will be given to residents of Southeastern Illinois College District #533 for all nursing programs.

Each year, SIC will evaluate wait-listed and out-of-district applicants for additional at-large positions, potentially adding 10 students each to the PN and ADN programs. If an at-large cohort is added, ranking will be done by TEAS score without preference to in-district students. Tuition rates for out-of-district students will be determined by the student's residency.

#1 Complete the SIC admission process

Complete the SIC admission process which includes submitting a student application online, providing proof of residency, submitting transcripts/GED scores, and completing placement testing. Apply online at www.sic.edu/apply or call Admissions x4120 for more information. Call the Student Success Center x2442 or email testing@sic.edu to schedule a placement test.

You will need to start with the admission process if:

- you have not attended SIC or it has been over one year ago or
- you are a returning applicant (exited the prior year PN or ADN nursing program) or
- > you are a high school senior (even if you are currently enrolled in a course with SIC)

#2 Enroll in prerequisite courses

First-time students must see an advisor to register. Continuing students may register online using MySIC within SIC's Falcon Portal.

<u>Prerequisite requirements must be completed by the end of the Summer 2024 semester</u> for final acceptance into any of the Fall 2024 PN or ADN programs. All coursework must be completed with a "C" or better.

Practical Nursing Prerequisites	Credit Hrs
ENG 121 Rhetoric & Composition I	3
PSYC 121 Intro Psychology	3
BIOL 161* Intro to Anatomy & Physiology	3
NUR 153 Medication Calculations	4
NUR 195 Medical Terminology	3

*BIOL 261-4 Anatomy & Physiology I and BIOL 262-4 Anatomy & Physiology II are required for the ADN Degree. Students who plan to continue into that program may take BIOL 261 <u>and</u> BIOL 262 so they will have met that requirement and they will also substitute for BIOL 161-3.

Associate Degree Nursing Prerequisites	Credit Hrs
ENG 122 Rhetoric & Composition II	3
or COM 121 Principles of Speaking	
BIOL 242** Microbiology	4
BIOL 261** Anatomy & Physiology I	4
BIOL 262** Anatomy & Physiology II	4
HLTH 219* Health Profession Advanced	2
Student Skills	

^{**}BIOL 242, 261, and 262 Prerequisite: "C" or better in high school chemistry or CHEM 123 or equivalent. BIOL 261 must be taken prior to BIOL 262.

^{*}HLTH 219 Prerequisite: Graduate of Practical Nursing Program or Summer prior to entry. If student has been out of the practical nursing program for five or more years, he/she must complete additional hours in HLTH 219. See advisor for specific information.

#3 Attend an advisement meeting by March 28, 2024.

You must attend an advisement meeting. You do not need to schedule which advisement meeting you are going to attend. You will sign in at the meeting as verification that you have attended. Dates and times for advisement meetings are available online: Advisement meeting dates for PN and ADN

#4 Submit the online nursing program application by March 28, 2024.

Nursing program applications are only accepted online. Apply online by visiting www.sic.edu/apply and then select nursing applications in the bottom right corner. You will choose Practical Nursing Application or Associate Degree Nursing Application. Be prepared to attach your proof of residency within the application.

#5 Take the TEAS test by March 28, 2024.

To schedule a testing appointment, contact the Testing Center at x2442 or testing@sic.edu. Payment options and testing location will be provided by the Testing Center. Dates and times for the TEAS tests are available online: TEAS Test

❖TEAS resources

- A limited number of TEAS Study Guides are available for checkout in SIC's library.
- Study guides are also available for purchase at SIC's bookstore.
- Visit *www.testprepreview.com/teas practice.htm for free self-assessment modules.
 - *Underscore symbol is between teas and practice.
- Visit https://www.atitesting.com/teas-prep. Explore different options available for purchase to prepare for the TEAS.

Steps 3-5 may be completed in any order.

It is recommended to submit an online nursing program application early in the application cycle. This will allow time for a detailed review to make sure your application and prerequisite progress is on track for the upcoming nursing program.

Questions? Email or call 618-252-5400

Admission to SIC:

admissions@sic.edu, ext. 4120

Admission and Application Process to Nursing Programs:

nursing@sic.edu, ext. 2331 or 2330

TEAS Testing:

testing@sic.edu, ext. 2442

Advisement and Registration:

advising@sic.edu, ext. 4130

Financial Aid:

fao@sic.edu, ext. 4110