# NURSING INFORMATION SESSION

Ivy Tech Community College School of Nursing

Associate of Science and Practical Nursing Programs

# THIS SESSION IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THE NURSING PROGRAMS AT IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

All prospective students are responsible for accessing the Nursing Overview and Application Process Booklet for detailed information on program and admission requirements.

IvyTech.edu/Nursing

### REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION INTO NURSING PROGRAMS

- The following are general requirements for admission into the nursing programs:
  - Apply and be accepted as an Ivy Tech Community College student.
  - o Complete a face-to-face (on campus) Information Session or this Online Nursing Information Session (regionally determined).
  - o Meet with your academic advisor.
  - o Complete all nursing admission pre-requisite courses, and if possible, do so before completing other required general education courses.
  - o Complete all nursing admission requirements by the published deadlines.

### NURSING PROGRAMS OFFERED AT IVY TECH

- Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) program Leads to an Associate of Science degree (AS) in nursing and eligibility to apply to the Indiana State Board of Nursing (ISBN) to take the NCLEX-RN® licensure examination for Registered Nurses. The following ASN program tracks are available:
  - o ASN Traditional Track
  - o LPN to ASN Transition Track
  - o Paramedic to ASN Transition Track
- **Practical Nursing (PN) program** Leads to a Technical Certificate (TC) and eligibility to apply to the Indiana State Board of Nursing to take the NCLEX-PN ® licensure examination for Practical Nurses.

### COLLEGE AND NURSING PROGRAM ACCREDITATION

#### **Ivy Tech Community College Accreditation:**

Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools 230 S. LaSalle St., Suite 7-500 Chicago, IL 60604-1411

Phone: 312-263-0456

www.ncahlc.org

#### **School of Nursing**

#### **Associate of Science Degree & Practical Nursing Program Accreditation:**

Indiana State Board of Nursing (ISBN) Indiana Professional Licensing Agency 402 W. Washington Street, Room W072

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Phone: 317-234-2043

www.in.gov/pla/

National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA) 2600 Virginia Avenue, NW

Washington, D.C., 20037

Phone: 1-800-669-1656

www.nln.org/accreditation-services

### **NURSING CURRICULA**

- The ASN and PN Curricula of Record and specific course requirements are available on the Ivy Tech Nursing webpage at <a href="IvyTech.edu/Nursing">IvyTech.edu/Nursing</a>.
- Per Indiana State Board of Nursing rules and regulations, ALL courses in the nursing curriculum, including required general education courses, must be passed with a grade of "C" or higher.
- ASN and PN program applicants must complete all required general education prerequisite courses to be eligible for admission into first semester NRSG (nursing) courses.

# ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (ASN) PROGRAM TRACKS

- Three (3) ASN program tracks are available:
  - o **ASN Traditional track (TSAP):** for students with no previous nursing education/licensure
  - o **LPN to ASN track:** for students who are Licensed Practical Nurses seeking mobility to the RN level
  - o **Paramedic to ASN track:** for students who are certified/registered Paramedics and seeking a degree in nursing
- **NOTE**: Program availability varies by location and not all programs are offered at each campus. Please go to <a href="IvyTech.edu/Nursing">IvyTech.edu/Nursing</a> for information on specific program offerings by campus and semester.

# ASN TRADITIONAL PROGRAM (TSAP)

- The **ASN Traditional program** is designated as a TSAP program.
  - TSAP refers to "Transfer Single Articulation Pathway"
  - This designation assists in transferability to state-funded RN to BSN programs
  - o Graduates transfer into RN to BSN programs as juniors
  - o To be eligible, applicants transferring to an RN to BSN program must meet the 4-year institution/nursing program's admission criteria
- More information on TSAP can be found at: <a href="IvyTech.edu/Transfer">IvyTech.edu/Transfer</a>

### ASN TRADITIONAL PROGRAM (TSAP)

- The ASN Traditional Track is for individuals who have no previous nursing education/licensure
- Total of 65 credit hours:
  - o 28 General Education Course Credits, which includes the following prerequisite courses:

•	APHY 101	Anatomy and Physiology I	3 credit hours
•	ENGL 111	<b>English Composition</b>	3 credit hours
•	PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3 credit hours
•	MATH 123 or higher	Quantitative Reasoning	3 credit hours

- o 37 Nursing Course Credits
- The program may be completed in 5 semesters which include:
  - o 1 general education prerequisite semester
  - o 4 nursing course semesters (includes additional required general education courses)

### LPN TO ASN TRANSITION TRACK

- The LPN to ASN track is for LPNs interested in progressing to the RN level
- Total of 52 credit hours:
  - o 28 General Education Course Credits, which includes the following prerequisite courses:

•	APHY 101	Anatomy and Physiology I	3 credit hours
•	ENGL 111	<b>English Composition</b>	3 credit hours
•	PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3 credit hours
•	MATH 123 or higher	Quantitative Reasoning	3 credit hours

- o 21 Nursing Course Credits\*
- The program may be completed in 4 semesters which includes:
  - o 1 general education prerequisite semester
  - o 3 nursing course semesters (includes additional required general education courses)

\*Note: The number of required ASN nursing course credits will vary depending on whether the applicant is an Ivy Tech PN graduate and date of PN program completion. (See nursing Curriculum of Record at <a href="IvyTech.edu/Nursing">IvyTech.edu/Nursing</a>).

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### LPN TO ASN TRANSITION TRACK

- LPNs who graduated within two years from an Ivy Tech Practical Nursing program:
  - Are <u>not</u> required to take NRSG 122 Introduction to ASN Transition (5 credits)
  - o Are required to take NRSG 125 LPN to ASN Transition Lab (1 Credit)
- Students must complete all remaining ASN courses and additional, required general education courses.

### LPN TO ASN TRANSITION TRACK

- LPNs who:
  - o graduated over two (2) years prior to application to the ASN program, OR
  - o graduated on a previous Ivy Tech PN curriculum, OR
  - o graduated from an external PN program, MUST complete the following:
    - NRSG 122 Introduction to ASN Transition (5 credits)
    - NRSG 125 LPN to ASN Transition Lab (1 credit)
  - 19 total verified credits will be awarded for the following courses upon successful completion (C or higher) of NRSG 122 and 125:

0	NRSG 100 Fundamentals of Nursing	3 credits
0	NRSG 102 Medical-Surgical Nursing I	3 credits
0	NRSG 105 Medical-Surgical Nursing I Clinical	2 credits
0	NRSG 106 Nursing Pharmacology	3 credits
0	NRSG 110 Medical-Surgical Nursing II	3 credits
0	NRSG 111 Medical-Surgical Nursing II Clinical	2 credits
0	NRSG 115 Nursing Lab	3 credits

• Students must complete all remaining ASN courses and additional, required general education courses.

### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

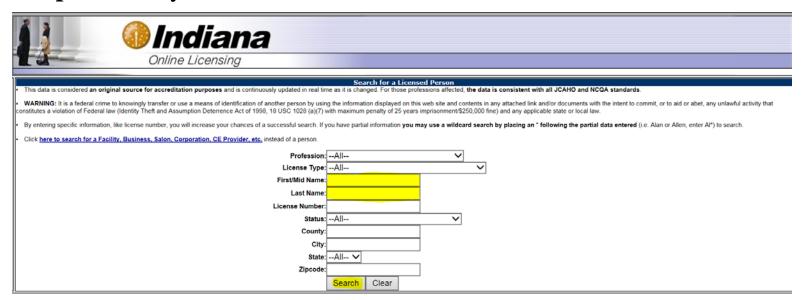
LPN to ASN Transition students must maintain a current, unencumbered Indiana Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) license throughout the duration of the LPN to ASN program.

Documentation verifying current, unencumbered Indiana Practical Nursing licensure must be provided with the online nursing application and <u>after each licensure renewal period</u>.

### **VERIFICATION OF LPN LICENSE**

**Step 1:** Go to <a href="https://mylicense.in.gov/everification/Search.aspx">https://mylicense.in.gov/everification/Search.aspx</a>

Step 2: Enter your first and last name, then click "search."



### **VERIFICATION OF LPN LICENSE**

- **Step 3:** Click on your name to go to the next screen.
- **Step 4:** Screen shot or copy the full license profile that appears on the screen below, then post it in the online application.

**Note:** The license status <u>must be listed as ACTIVE</u>. Licensees with current discipline such as suspension or probation are not eligible for admission into the nursing programs.

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### PARAMEDIC TO ASN TRANSITION TRACK

- The Paramedic to ASN track is for certified Paramedics who are seeking mobility to an ASN degree.
- Total of 57 credit hours:
  - O 28 General Education Course Credits, which includes the following prerequisite courses:

•	APHY 101	Anatomy and Physiology I	3 credit hours
•	ENGL 111	<b>English Composition</b>	3 credit hours
•	PSYC 101	Introduction to Psychology	3 credit hours
•	MATH 123 or higher	Ouantitative Reasoning	3 credit hours

- o 29 Nursing Course Credits
- The program may be completed in 4 semesters which includes:
  - o 1 general education prerequisite semester
  - o 3 nursing course semesters (includes additional, required general education courses)

### PARAMEDIC TO ASN TRANSITION TRACK

- Paramedic to ASN students **must** complete the following transition courses:
  - o NRSG 122 Introduction to ASN Transition (5 cr)
  - o NRSG 123 Paramedic to ASN Transition Lab/Clinical (3 cr)
- 16 total verified credits will be awarded for the following courses upon successful completion (C or higher) of NRSG 122 and 123:

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o NRSG 102 Medical-Surgical Nursing I 3 credits

o NRSG 105 Medical-Surgical Nursing I Clinical 2 credits

o NRSG 110 Medical-Surgical Nursing II 3 credits

o NRSG 111 Medical-Surgical Nursing II Clinical 2 credits

o NRSG 115 Nursing Lab 3 credits

• Students must complete all remaining ASN courses and additional, required general education courses.

**Note**: The Paramedic to ASN program is only offered at select campuses. Please visit <u>IvyTech.edu/Nursing</u> for more information.

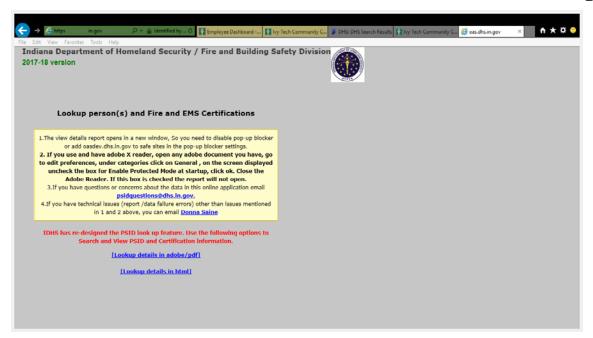
### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Paramedic to ASN Transition students <u>must</u> maintain a current, unencumbered Paramedic certification or registration throughout the program.

A copy must be provided to the nursing program with the online nursing application and <u>after each certification or registration</u> <u>renewal period.</u>

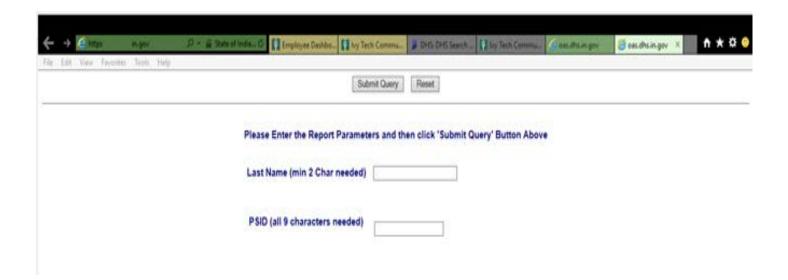
# VERIFICATION OF PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATION

- Step 1: Go to <a href="https://oas.dhs.in.gov/dfbs/ems/person.do?method=personLookup">https://oas.dhs.in.gov/dfbs/ems/person.do?method=personLookup</a> within the Indiana Department of Homeland Security web page.
- Step 2: Click on either of the two links at the bottom of the page:



# VERIFICATION OF PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATION

• Step 3: Fill in the requested information.



# VERIFICATION OF PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATION

• Step 4: Save a copy of the verification and submit to the appropriate link within the online application system.



### PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM

- Total of 45 Credit hours
  - o 13 General Education course credits which includes the following prerequisite courses:
    - APHY 101 Anatomy and Physiology I 3 credit hours
    - ENGL 111 English Composition 3 credit hours
    - PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology 3 credit hours
  - o 32 Nursing Credits
  - The program may be completed in 4 semesters which includes:
    - o 1 general education prerequisite semester
    - o 3 nursing course semesters (includes additional, required general education courses)

### **SELECTIVE ADMISSION**

- Admission to any ASN or PN program is limited and includes additional requirements over and above admission to Ivy Tech Community College.
- Nursing (NRSG) courses may not be taken until admitted to the nursing program .
- Nursing program applicants must complete all required general education prerequisite courses to be eligible for admission to first semester nursing (NRSG) courses.
- Other required general education courses may be taken prior to or following admission to the nursing programs.
- Completion of general education courses does not guarantee admission to a nursing program.

### IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS BEFORE APPLYING TO THE ASN OR PN NURSING PROGRAMS

## MANDATORY DRUG TESTING AND CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

- All nursing program clinical affiliates require mandatory drug testing and criminal background checks before allowing students to participate in clinical courses at their facilities.
- Results of these tests could impact your ability to complete nursing clinical courses and therefore, your ability to meet nursing program requirements for completion.
- Requiring criminal background checks and drug screenings ensures students meet the same standards as health care facility employees.
- Annual criminal background checks are required for all nursing students.

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSURE**

- All candidates taking the NCLEX® exam are required to have a U.S. social security number per Indiana Code. This is a mandatory Indiana State Board of Nursing (ISBN) requirement and applications to test cannot be processed without it.
- The Indiana Professinal Licensing Agency has recently taken a position that may preclude visa holding or otherwise undocumented students from taking the NCLEX licensure exam and being licensed in the state of Indiana. Such students should seek legal counsel before choosing to proceed. Please see the following websites for more information:
  - <a href="http://www.in.gov/pla/3724.htm">http://www.in.gov/pla/3724.htm</a>
  - 8 US Code Section 1641

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSURE**

- The Indiana State Board of Nursing (ISBN) application for licensure includes questions about criminal history, substance abuse problems, malpractice judgments, and disciplinary action on previous licenses and certifications.
- The questions on the following slides appear on the Indiana State Board of Nursing application.
- If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, it is possible that you will not be eligible for licensure after completing the nursing program. The ISBN requires separate and additional criminal background checks on all applicants for NCLEX® licensure examinations.

### **ISBN QUESTIONS**

http://www.in.gov/pla/nursing.htm

- Has disciplinary action ever been taken regarding any health license, certificate, registration or permit you hold or have held in **any** state or country?
- Have you ever been denied a license, certificate, registration or permit to practice as a nurse or **any** regulated health occupation in **any** state or country?

### **ISBN QUESTIONS**

- Except for minor violations of traffic laws resulting in fines, and arrests or convictions that have been expunged by a court,
  - o Have you ever been arrested?
  - O Have you ever entered into a prosecutorial diversion or deferment agreement regarding any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state?
  - O Have you ever been convicted of any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state?
  - Have you ever pled guilty to any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state?
  - o Have you ever pled nolo contender to any offense, misdemeanor or felony in any state?

### **ISBN QUESTIONS**

- o Have you ever been terminated, reprimanded, disciplined or demoted in the scope of your practice as a nurse or as another health care professional?
- o Have you ever had a malpractice judgment against you or settled any malpractice action?
- o Do you have any condition or impairment (including a history of alcohol or substance abuse) that currently interferes, or if left untreated may interfere, with your ability to practice in a competent and professional manner?

**Note:** The ISBN will not provide any judgment related to licensure eligibility until you have completed the nursing program and submitted your application to take the licensure exam.

### ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS FOR NURSING STUDENTS AND HEALTH RECORDS

- The following are required for participation in clinical activities:
  - Students admitted to the nursing program must be physically and mentally capable of performing the Essential Functions of Nursing Students (see Overview and Application Booklet)
  - o Students will be required to provide documentation of a physical exam, TB testing, and immunization records prior to the start of classes.
  - o Annual Flu vaccinations are required when they become available.
  - o Students SHOULD NOT submit any health forms until after they are formally admitted to the nursing program.

### VACCINATIONS AND PHYSICAL EXAMINATION FORM

- All students admitted to a nursing program are required to submit a Vaccination and Physical Examination form.
- The form includes sections for immunizations and a signature page for the physician regarding the ability to meet the Essential Functions of Nursing Students.
  - O Students with disabilities are required to contact the college Disabilities Support Staff at the campus of interest for assistance in requesting accommodations (if applicable).
- Students interested in applying for admission to a nursing program should begin locating childhood immunization records early to ensure complete vaccination and physicals are submitted by established deadlines.

# THE ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS FOR NURSING STUDENTS ARE LISTED IN THE NURSING PROGRAMS OVERVIEW AND APPLICATION PROCESS BOOKLET AT

**IVYTECH.EDU/NURSING** 

#### **ATTENDANCE**

- Students are expected to attend class meetings, or other activities assigned as a part of a course of instruction. Instructors are responsible for maintaining attendance records. A statement regarding expectations for class attendance is included in Section 4 of the Academic Support and Operations Manual (ASOM) at <a href="IvyTech.edu/policies">IvyTech.edu/policies</a>.
- Students are expected to attend all lecture and lab sessions. Attendance is necessary to maximize student-learning opportunities. Students who are absent are responsible for missed material. Attendance will be reported for the purpose of financial aid qualification. Specific expectations will be found in each course syllabus.

### **ATTENDANCE**

- Clinical courses require that the student be present to effectively evaluate successful achievement of clinical course objectives and concepts, as clinical course objectives cannot be accomplished or evaluated outside the clinical setting. There are no make-up sessions for missed clinical hours. Therefore, regular clinical attendance is mandatory for successful clinical course and program completion.
- The online application system allows students to apply to any nursing program location within the statewide system. Students are to carefully consider the implications of being accepted to a campus requiring extended driving distances.

### **TRANSFER**

- While the Ivy Tech system allows for transfer between campuses after the first semester of enrollment, there is no guarantee for transfer once enrolled.
- The ability to transfer between campuses is dependent on available clinical space and requires approval from both the nursing program dean or designee of original acceptance and the nursing program dean or designee where the student wishes to transfer.
- It is anticipated that students will finish their nursing programs at the campus in which programming was accepted.

#### TIME COMMITMENT

- The ASN and PN programs require a major commitment of time and energy
  - o Contact hours (based on 16-week courses)
    - Lecture classes: 1 classroom contact hour per credit hour each week
    - Lab classes: 2 lab contact hours per credit hour each week
    - Clinical courses: 3 clinical contact hours per credit hour each week
  - O Nursing courses are typically scheduled over 3-4 days per week; students may also need to schedule additional general education courses as needed each semester.
  - o It is essential that you plan for the same amount of study time as class time per week
  - Individual Work Schedules
    - Nursing course schedules and assignment due dates will not be adjusted to accommodate individual work schedules

#### APPLICATION PROCESS – STEP ONE

- Complete the application process for Ivy Tech, including:
  - o Completion of any required Academic Skills Advancement courses indicated by your ACCUPLACER placement exam.
  - O Submit official transcripts to your campus Registrar from any external College/University for evaluation of general education courses for transfer credit.
    - It is recommended that college transcripts be submitted to the Registrar's office for evaluation and transfer credit at <u>least 4 weeks</u> <u>prior</u> to the program application deadline to ensure adequate time for processing.
  - Meet with an academic advisor early to discuss program requirements and plan for admission to nursing.

### APPLICATION PROCESS – STEP ONE

- Complete prerequisite general education courses:
  - APHY 101 Anatomy and Physiology I
  - o ENGL 111 English Composition
  - PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology
  - o MATH 123 (Quantitative Reasoning) or Higher
    - Required only for ASN program students
    - Excludes MATH

#### HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

- Per Indiana State Board of Nursing regulations, the applicants must submit a copy of their high school transcript or High School Equivalency Exam (GED or TASC). High school transcripts must include date of graduation.
- Current high school students who will be graduating after the close of applications, but before the start of classes are allowed to apply without a high school transcript.
  - Current high school students are requested to submit a letter to the application link for the high school transcript.
  - The letter should include:
    - Anticipated graduation date
    - Acknowledgement that the student will submit their high school transcript to the regional nursing dean by the indicated deadline.

### CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT DUE DATES

• Current high school students must submit their high school transcript to the regional nursing dean (region where accepted) by due dates below:

Anticipated High School Graduation	Date High School Transcript due to Regional Nursing Dean
Spring Graduates	August 1
Fall Graduates	January 1

#### HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT REQUIREMENTS

- Students who do not possess a U.S. high school diploma must have their high school transcript evaluated through a National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) approved organization (<a href="http://naces.org/">http://naces.org/</a>).
- Applicants without a U.S. high school diploma or High School Equivalency Exam (HSE) must submit official credential evaluation from a NACES approved organization showing the equivalence of a U.S. high school diploma.
- The NACES process takes some time and includes an associated fee, so please contact NACES early.

#### MATH REQUIREMENTS

#### • ASN Program:

o MATH 123 Quantitative Reasoning (or higher) must be completed as a prerequisite for admission to the ASN Program.

#### • PN Program:

o The PN program has no college-level math requirement; however, a math course may be indicated due to prerequisite requirements for some general education courses.

# STEP TWO – APPLY TO THE NURSING PROGRAM

You must carefully read through the Nursing Overview and Application Process Booklet (found at

IvyTech.edu/Nursing)

prior to application to the Nursing Program(s)

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

STUDENTS MUST BE IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING (CUMULATIVE GPA 2.0 OR HIGHER) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION TO THE NURSING PROGRAMS AND MUST MAINTAIN A GPA OF 2.0 FROM DATE OF ADMISSION TO CONTINUE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND THE NURSING PROGRAM.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS – STEP TWO

- Complete all components of the Assessment Technologies Institute's (ATI) Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)
  - o The TEAS is used as part of the admission process
  - o The current version is the ATI TEAS (released August 31, 2016).
  - o TEAS V scores will continue to be valid as long as the test date is no older than two years at the application deadline
  - o TEAS study guides are available in most regional campus bookstores and at the ATI website.
  - Additional information regarding the TEAS can be found at <u>www.atitesting.com</u>

#### APPLICATION PROCESS – STEP TWO

- Students are encouraged to complete any required Academic Skills Advancement courses prior to taking the TEAS.
- Students should plan to take the TEAS during or soon after completing the prerequisite general education courses.
- Please refer to each specific campus for directions on registering for and taking the TEAS at <a href="IvyTech.edu/teas">IvyTech.edu/teas</a>
- The TEAS may be taken two (2) times in a two-year period, and must be taken 30 days apart (this includes any TEAS attempts taken outside Ivy Tech).
- The TEAS test must be completed 14 days prior to the application deadline. TEAS tests taken after that date will not be considered for admission.
- Students taking the TEAS outside Ivy Tech are responsible for transferring the scores to Ivy Tech.
- TEAS scores are valid for a period of two years.
- Scores must be valid at application deadline.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

- When creating an ATI account to take your TEAS test, please use something you will remember as a user name and password.
  - o If admitted, ATI testing will be used throughout your nursing program and you will need the same user name and password for access to the ATI tests.

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#### APPLICATION PROCESS – STEP TWO

- You must complete all four TEAS Test components for the test to be considered valid which include:
  - o English & Language Usage, Reading, Math, and Science
- Partial tests will not be accepted.
- Applicants must score at the **Proficient**, **Advanced or Exemplary** level to be considered for nursing program admission.
- Applicants with scores at the **Basic** or **Developmental** level will not be considered for admission.
- TEAS sub-category scores will be used the in points calculation towards nursing program admission.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

It may take up to 48 hours for TEAS scores to be sent and processed in our system. If your scores do not upload to the application system after 48 hours, submit a help ticket via the online application system.

To ensure timely processing of TEAS scores, it is recommended that applicants take the TEAS exam as early as possible prior to the TEAS test deadline. At least one week in advance will ensure time to correct any issues with TEAS scores transferring over to the application site.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS – STEP TWO

- Nursing Program ONLINE Application
  - Students seeking admission into nursing programs will need to complete the online nursing application located at <a href="IvyTech.edu/Nursing">IvyTech.edu/Nursing</a>.
  - o Applications will not be accepted on campus.
  - o Documents will be uploaded directly to the application site
  - During the application process students will prioritize campuses of interest
  - Incomplete and/or late application submissions will not be considered

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Nursing Program Admission Semester	Online Application Available	TEAS Test Deadline	Application Deadline
Fall	March 18	May 4	May 18
Spring	July 1	August 18	September 1
Summer	December 1	January 18	February 1

Completed nursing applications must be submitted online by 11:59 PM E.S.T. on the application deadline date

**Note:** Application Open dates and Deadlines may vary depending on the College academic calendar. Please check the nursing website <a href="IvyTech.edu/Nursing">IvyTech.edu/Nursing</a> for the most current online application information.

#### PROGRAM COHORT ADMISSION SIZE

• Program availability and the number of students admitted during each admission cycle varies by campus and is subject to change.

# ADMISSION TO THE NURSING PROGRAMS IS HIGHLY COMPETITIVE

A point system is used to determine who is selected for admission to the programs

#### SELECTION FOR ADMISSION: RANK ORDER OF APPLICANTS

- Rank Order of Applicants: General Education points and TEAS points will be summed for a total admission point score.
  - o In Round 1, applicants will be rank-ordered by total admission point score and student campus rankings.
    - If space is available students may be offered admission at subsequent campus choices
  - o In Rounds 2 and 3, remaining applicants will be rank-ordered by total admission point score and student campus rankings.
  - o In Round 4, Regional Dean or designee will offer admission to remaining applicants based on total admission point score and student campus rankings.

#### SELECTION FOR ADMISSION: RANK ORDER OF APPLICANTS

#### Program Choice

- ASN applicants:
  - Have option to be considered for a PN program if not selected for an ASN seat.
  - Those not selected for an ASN program will be rank-ordered by total admission point scores and student campus rankings, and offered admission to an ASN program (based on seat availability) or a PN program (based on seat availability).
  - Those applying to Paramedic or LPN to ASN Transition programs may not apply to both transition and traditional programs. The student is encouraged to apply to the transition program if they hold a Paramedic certification or Practical Nurse license.

#### • PN applicants:

• Applicants applying exclusively to the PN program will be rank ordered by total selection decision score and student campus rankings and offered admission based on seat availability.

#### SELECTION FOR ADMISSION – RANK ORDER BY DECISION SCORE

- **General Education Course Points:** Points awarded based on prerequisite course grade (60 points possible)
- **TEAS points:** Total of weighted sub-test point calculations (100 points possible)
  - o **Total Points Possible:** 160
- Tie Breaker Points: (applied in the order listed below)
  - o TEAS Adjusted Individual Total Score
  - o TEAS Science sub-score to the tenths place
  - TEAS Reading sub-score to the tenths place
  - o TEAS English & Language Usage sub-score to the tenths place
  - o Cumulative GPA from the most recent transcript

## 60 TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION POINTS POSSIBLE

- A weighted point system will be used to determine points for the General Education Course component of the selection score points.
- When multiple course attempts are reported on the transcript(s), the highest earned grade will be used for the selection decision score. This includes courses appearing on transcripts from other schools.
- Points for courses transferred in from other institutions will be awarded from the grade recorded on the transcript from the other institution.
- Points for verified credit (V) or college credit awarded through High School Advanced Placement, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) International Baccalaureate (IB) and Dantes Subject Standardized Test (DSST), will be awarded as indicated below.

Course	A	В	С	D/F	Verified Credit
APHY 101	30	20	10	0	N/A
ENGL 111	15	10	5	0	15
PSYC 101	15	10	5	0	15
Total General Education Points Possible = 60					

### TEAS WEIGHTED POINT SYSTEM

• **TEAS Points:** Once it has been determined that the applicant has met the minimum eligibility requirement, the following weighted system will be used to determine the TEAS component of the selection score points.

TEASV COMPONENT	WEIGHTED SUB-TEST POINT CALCULATION	MAXIMUM POINTS POSSIBLE		
English & Language Usage	Subsection % score X 0.20	20		
Reading	Subsection % score X 0.30	30		
Math	Subsection % score X 0.20	20		
Science	Subsection % score X 0.30	30		
Total TEAS points possible = 100				

# FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **NURSING REQUIRES:**

- Critical thinking
- Highly developed communication skills
- Competence in nursing skills
- Professionalism and a commitment to lifelong learning
- Ethical and legal accountability as a healthcare professional
- Ability to work in intense, variable and sometimes stressful situations
- Self-direction, time management, and organization skills
- Compassion, patience, and the ability to deliver culturally competent care to diverse populations

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