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**VG** | Vance-Granville  
Community College

# PRACTICAL NURSING



## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS FALL ADMISSION

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### MISSION STATEMENT

The nursing faculty of Vance-Granville Community College (VGCC), in support of the philosophy, purpose and objectives of the College, believes the purpose of this program is to produce beginning practitioners (Benner, 2001) for entry-level practice in the practical nurse role. Practical Nursing education prepares graduates to assume the roles of provider of care and member within the discipline of nursing. Graduates of this program meet the education requirements to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN®).

### ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Students are admitted to the Practical Nursing program (D45660) in accordance with policies set by VGCC. Each applicant is required to meet the minimum admission eligibility requirements as set by the College. Meeting minimum eligibility requirements does not guarantee admission into the program, only an opportunity for consideration. Completion of the VGCC Practical Nursing program does not guarantee success in passing the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX-PN®).

The selection process for this program includes: PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS (must be completed for consideration for the Practical Nursing Program) and Acceptance Status. **Regulations, procedures, and course requirements are subject to change as necessary and without prior notice.**

**NOTE:** This program is offered at the Main Campus in Henderson.

### PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Apply to VGCC. Designate Practical Nursing as the desired program of study. **Deadline for application to VGCC for the Fall Admission to the Practical Nursing Program is the last day in January.** Applicants will be placed into a Pre-Health Curriculum (Associate in General Education-General Science A10300S), until selected into the program. Submit official transcripts. Students must be eligible to enroll in ENG 111 and MAT 152 without a pre-requisite or co-requisite course in order to be eligible for admission into the desired Nursing program.  
Test scores and/or developmental coursework must be completed within 10 years of the PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS deadline.
2. The following items are required as part of the PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS:
  - a. A cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher is required for admission to the Practical Nursing Program. A grade of "C" or better is required for all general education courses.
  - b. Students must complete BIO 163 or (BIO 168 and BIO 169) prior to applying for the Practical Nursing Program **with a C grade or better.** BIO course(s) required for the program must be completed within 10 years of the PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS deadline.
3. Schedule a meeting with your Academic Advisor Mrs. Waddle at waddlet@vgcc.edu or Mrs. O'Geary at ogearya@vgcc.edu
4. Schedule a meeting with the Consultation Committee for the VGCC Nursing Programs. Contact the School of Health Sciences Administrative Assistant, Ms. Audrey Stainback at stainbacka@vgcc.edu to schedule.
5. The PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCESS deadline is the last business day in March.

**CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK:** VGCC cautions applicants that the North Carolina Board of Nursing (NCBON) on its application form asks the following question: "Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony (excluding a minor traffic violation?)" The NCBON reserves the right to refuse to grant graduates a nursing license even if the graduate passes

the NCLEX-PN based on their past criminal record. If this will hinder your progression, please visit the VGCC Admissions Office for more information on alternative programs of study at VGCC.

**The school of Health Sciences (SHS) strives to provide admission processes that are fair and equitable for all students who have the desire to become a healthcare professional. Additionally, we have an obligation to set our students up for programmatic success and board passage.**

**The new SHS admission processes for Nursing will select students based on the completion of the listed minimum requirements and on a first completion basis. If nursing is your program of choice, it is important that you begin the process now.**

Questions? Please contact:  
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738-3251 [www.vgcc.edu/healthsciences/pn](http://www.vgcc.edu/healthsciences/pn)

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