



Nursing Career Talk 2021-2022



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The field of nursing is one of the most respected fields in the world.

Nurses are the key link between doctors and patients. Every situation is different, but many times the patient will interact a great deal more with the nurse than the doctor. Many nurses find that this is one of the most personally rewarding fields they can imagine.





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- There is a major nursing shortage
- Job flexibility is high
- Enjoy strong personal satisfaction
- Work in many locations
- Enjoy career mobility
- High salaries
- Good as a second career choice
- Many nursing specialties
- Work in many different patient populations





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A Career You Can Count On



Clinical Affiliates & Graduate Recruiters

McLeod Regional Medical Center	MUSC Health- Florence Medical Center
McLeod Dillon	MUSC Health- Marion Medical Center
McLeod Darlington	Carolina Pines Regional Medical Center
McLeod Seacoast	



Accreditation

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Requirements

- Communication skills
- Critical Thinking skills
- Environment
- Hearing
- Vision
- Interpersonal
- Mobility
- Motor skills
- Self care
- Tactile
- Smell
- Computer skills



The Road to Acceptance to Nursing School



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Are you ready to APPLY?



- Are you settled in LIFE?
 - ✓ Family is fairly self-sufficient?
Child care and back up childcare arranged?
 - ✓ No family dramas?
 - ✓ No big changes just happened or coming up?



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Are you ready to APPLY?



- Are you in a good place financially?
 - ✓ Working is difficult
 - ✓ Do you have a plan and back up plan?
 - ✓ Expect at least \$1000 or more in background check costs, books, immunizations and equipment to get started in that first semester



Are you ready to APPLY?

- Are you ready academically?
 - ✓ School work is intense
 - ✓ You have to give up prior preconceptions of what “nursing” is
 - ✓ You have to understand the work is HARD
- Are you ready emotionally?
 - ✓ Working is difficult
 - ✓ Do you have a plan and back up plan?

**NOTHING
WORTH HAVING
COMES EASY**



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Are you ready to APPLY?



- Are you ready to be professional?
 - ✓ Respect for patients, teachers and everyone else is an expectation no matter how tired or frustrated you are
 - ✓ Put away cell phones and social media
- Are you ready to change your life?
 - ✓ And to change the lives of others?



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Application Process



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Pre-Application Requirements

1. Complete a Florence-Darlington College Admission Application and **be admitted** to FDTC.
2. Submit all **official** transcripts from other colleges to be evaluated by FDTC Registrar office. *ALL transfer courses must be accepted by the FDTC Registrar.*
*****ALSO Include a transcript from all colleges you have attended with your Nursing application**
3. Review the Nursing Career Talk.
4. Attach a copy of current certificate/licensure or certificates (CNA, medical assisting and for LPN Transition program- current LPN license in SC)



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Pre-Application Requirements

5. You must have completed all pre-requisite courses to any program course before your application will be accepted
 - ENG 101- Any developmental course or ENG 100, 101, 102
 - MAT 110- Any developmental course or MAT 100, 101, 102

Required TEAS Scores

(Register for the TEAS @ [www. Atitesting.com](http://www.Atitesting.com))

The test costs approximately \$66.00

Maximum number of attempts: 4

Overall Score Proficient	58.7%
Proficient Reading	69%
Math	46.7%
Proficient Science	45.8
English and Language	40%



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Pre-Application Requirements

7. A cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0. This GPA are required to be maintained until program completion.
8. A program GPA of **2.75** the semester prior to your application is required
9. Classes that affect program GPA include BIO 210, BIO 211, BIO 225, ENG 101, MAT 110, PSY 201 and a humanities/fine arts elective course.

Students whose GPAs drop below these levels from time of acceptance to beginning the program will NOT be permitted to start the classes until the GPA is re-established at these levels



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Pre-Application Requirements

9. BIOLOGY

- BIO 210, 211, and 225 grades must **not be more than 5 years old at the time of application.**
- BIO courses may not be repeated due to academic failure (less than C grade) more than **once** at FDTC or at any other college to be accepted into the **ADN program or LPN-ADN Transition Program.**
- **A withdrawal (W) and a withdrawal failure (WF) in BIO 210, BIO 211 and BIO 225 will count as attempts.**
- BIO 210 must be satisfactorily completed with a minimum grade of "C" before application submission.



Pre-Application Requirements

10. If you were unsuccessful in any other nursing program, you must wait 1 year before applying to the nursing program at FDTC.

11. If you have failed any of the BIOs (210, 211, 225) more than once or have more than 1 "W" in any of the above BIOs, then you must wait 1 year to repeat them. This includes BIOs at other colleges.



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Application Submission Process

Nursing applications are accepted in the Spring (April-early May) for August (Fall) admission and in September/early October for January (Spring) admission.

Do not submit an incomplete application. If you do, your incompleting application will be returned to you until you properly complete it.

At this time (COVID pandemic), applications will be submitted via ***Etrieve Central***. Please refer to the “Form Instructions (detailed)” located in Nursing program major information. (FDTC website> Academics>Programs>Program list> “Nursing (ADN) or Nursing (Practical/LPN).”

You are limited to only one application to a nursing program during a given application period. So, Pick ONE.

Application Submission Process

Applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.

Incomplete applications will be returned to the student for completion. However, if the deadline has passed, you will not be allowed to re-submit.

It is the student's responsibility to review their application for completion before submitting it.



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Application Submission Process

You must establish proof of residency within the FDTC service area in order to receive points on the weighted admission:

- Electric, water, gas, or telephone bill, bank statement, car registration, real estate tax property receipt, and rental agreements on business letterhead may be used as proof of residence.
- Bills must include the home address of the applicant, parent, or legal guardian. If the bill is in the same name of the legal guardian, it must be accompanied by guardianship papers signed by a judge.
- A **driver's license or check** will **not** be accepted as proof of residence.



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Application Submission Process

Background Checks and Drug Screening:

Students who fail to complete a Background check and drug screen by deadlines will lose their place in the class – NO exceptions!



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Application Submission Process

Immunizations ***are required*** of all nursing students in order to attend the clinical portion of study.

DO NOT SEND IMMUNIZATION OR MEDICAL RECORDS WITH YOUR APPLICATION

Failure to submit required information by deadlines will result in loss of place in class – NO exceptions!



ADN Curriculum

- 5 semesters (including summers)
- Admit twice a year: August class and January class
- Maintain a program GPA of 2.4 throughout the program. Students who drop below 2.4 will be placed on academic probation.
- General education courses: BIO 210 (prerequisite course), BIO 211, BIO 225, ENG 101, MAT 110 or MAT 120, PSY 201 or PSY 203, and a humanities/fine arts elective.
- Nursing courses: NUR 105, NUR 134, NUR 165, NUR 239, NUR 241, NUR 243, NUR 265, NUR 266, NUR 267, and PHM 115.



Progression Requirements

- Students may only repeat a NUR course once.
- If a student is out more than 6 months, re-entry requirements are stringent and require validation of course content the semester prior to the failure & skills competency
- Two (2) failures in NUR courses will result in a dismissal from the program.



LPN-ADN Transition Program



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What is This Option?

Licensed Practical Nurse

- Graduate of accredited LPN program
- Active License in SC
- Current Practice as a LPN for at least one (1) year
- Meets **ALL** the same admission requirements as discussed with the Traditional ADN program
- Program GPA 2.75



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What is This Option?

- This is an accelerated plan that requires a strong commitment for applicants
- Students are immersed in two transition courses in the first semester and enter the traditional ADN curriculum in its third semester (total of 3 semesters).



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Pre-Application

PRE-REQUISITES

These courses must be completed before an application can be accepted.

BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I*	3	3	4
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II*	3	3	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3	0	3
MAT 110	College Algebra	3	0	3
PSY 201	General Psychology	3	0	3
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Progression Requirements

- Students may only repeat a NUR course once
- Two failures results in a dismissal from the program



Practical Nursing Program





Practical Nursing Program

- 3 semesters
- Admit once a year: August class
- Maintain a program GPA of 2.0 throughout the program. Students who drop below 2.0 will be placed on academic probation.



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Practical Nursing

Practical Nursing Career opportunities:

- Nursing homes
- Physicians' offices
- Home health agencies
- Outpatient centers
- Residential care facilities
- Correctional institutions
- Government agencies
- Some acute care facilities may hire LPNs





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Pre-Application Requirements

1. Take the TEAS Exam
2. You must score at the **Proficient Level** on the TEAS exam. This means having an overall score of **58.7%**
3. Review the Nursing Career Talk
4. Program GPA of **2.0**
5. Completion of BIO 112



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Pre-Application Requirements

3. A program Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 the semester prior to your application is required. These GPA's are required to be maintained until program completion.
4. ALL transfer courses must be accepted by the FDTC Registrar.
5. BIO 112 (prerequisite)
6. BIO 112 is required for the PN program--BIO 210 and 211 as substitute for 112 must not be more than 5 years old **at the time of application.**
7. BIO 112 is required to be completed with a C grade or higher in order to make application to the PN program



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PN program courses

- General education courses: BIO 112 (prerequisite course), ENG 101, PSY 201, MAT 155
- Nursing courses: PNR 110, PNR 122, PNR 128, PNR 138, PNR 165, PNR 170, and PNR 182
- Other courses: AHS 205



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Questions

