

PRACTICAL NURSING ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS



Practical Nursing (PN) Program Admission Requirements

- MedQuest College provides equal admissions opportunity to all applicants
- Application for admission to MedQuest College is open to all persons without regards to race, religion, national origin, sex, or handicap.
- Those applicants who meet all requirements are granted admission. All applicants who wish to enter the Diploma program are admitted to the College as regular students.
- To qualify for admission to MedQuest College, each applicant must meet all the following general and program requirements.

MedQuest College was granted Developmental status by the Kentucky Board of Nursing in February of 2019. The designated status allows the college to admit 20 students 4 times a year (Jan, May, Aug, and Oct) for a total student enrollment of 80 available seats.

Prior to application to the practical nursing program, applicants must successfully complete a pre- entrance initial academic assessment. The student must take the pre-entrance initial academic assessment or arrange for an official transcript of previous exam scores to be sent to the Administrative Assistant for the Nursing program.

Applicants may take the pre-entrance initial academic assessment up to three times in a one-year period and must have a minimum of 14 days between testing dates. If a retake of the pre-entrance initial academic assessment is necessary, the results must be completed before the application is submitted. Both components of the pre-entrance initial academic assessment must meet benchmark scores to be considered passing.

1. Initial Academic Assessment

Students are given an assessment of academic skills, commonly referred to as the academic readiness assessment. The results of the assessment provide the College with a means of determining the need for academic support through transitional studies courses and academic advisement. Due to the purposes of this assessment, students are advised to perform to the best of their abilities to accurately reflect the need or not for additional academic support.

The following minimum Wonderlic assessment scores must be achieved; otherwise, the student will be referred to service offering remediation course(s). Failure to achieve minimum assessment scores means that the exam must be repeated to be considered for enrollment.

Assessment	Minimum Wonderlic Score
Verbal	285 or higher
Quantitative	267 or higher

**If a minimum score on the Wonderlic assessment in the required subjects was achieved at another institution, it will be acceptable for admission provided the score was achieved within the past 365 days. Test scores greater than one year old will not be considered for admissions purposes and applicants must re-test.*

MedQuest will also accept the following exam scores if the student has taken within the past three years:

Assessment	Minimum Score
ACT	18
NLN PAX (multilevel)	78

Assessment	Minimum Score
TEAS	85
SAT	980

2. Applicant Interview

Along with the initial academic assessment score, prospective students must complete an interview with the Program Administrator for Nursing. The interview is a part of the selection committee process.

Each potential candidate for the nursing program is vetted through a selection committee made up of nursing faculty and the Program Administrator. A ranking tool is used to assist the committee with unbiased decision-making. In the event of the total number of students being greater than the allowable seats of 20, students will be ranked using the selection tool and admitted according to their score. Students gain points for the following items:

- Admission Exam or Outside Exam Scores
- Community Service
- Previous Educational Experience
- Health Care Experience
- Previous MedQuest College Graduate
- Interview

NURSING DECISION COMMITTEE SCREENING TOOL

This form is utilized as part of MedQuest Nursing Program Decision Committee selection and screening process to ensure a systematic method of enrolling students eligible for the nursing program. Students are ranked based on a 20-point scale. In the case of tied scores, applicants will be evaluated by the PA

Student Name: _____ Date: _____
 Person Completing: _____

Evaluation Category	Explanation	Possible Points	Points Awarded
Wonderlic	Admission testing: Passed Wonderlic on first attempt	1 Point	
Admission Testing Quantitative	Minimum scores SAT 980/1330/ACT18/PAX 78/ TEAS 85 = Wonderlic Score Math Q >= 267 = Wonderlic Score Math Q > 281 = Wonderlic Score Math Q >294 =	1 Point 1 Point 2 Points 3 Points	
Admission Testing Verbal	Minimum scores Wonderlic Score Verbal >= 285 = Wonderlic Score Verbal > 303 = Wonderlic Score Verbal > 322 =	1 Point 2 Points 3 Points	
Previous Educational Experiences	Diploma or Certificate = Associate Degree = Bachelor's Degree or Higher =	1 Point 2 Points 3 Points	
Health Care Experience	Health Care Volunteer = Health Care Employment (Unit Secretary, etc.) = Health Care Employment (CNA, MA) =	1 Point 2 Points 3 Points	
MedQuest College Graduate	Non-College Graduate = Non-MedQuest College Graduate = MedQuest College Graduate =	0 Points 1 Point 2 Points	
Interview	Unprofessional/Inappropriate = Professional with assistance/prompts = Professional =	0 Points 1 Point 2 Points	
Community Service	No community service = up to 100 hours = 101-250 hours = > 250 =	0 Points 1 Point 2 Points 3 Points	
Applicant's Total Points out of 20 possible =			

1. Background Check/Drug Screen

In addition to the general admissions requirements and the above programmatic requirements, applicants seeking enrollment in the Practical Nursing (PN) program must obtain the following: Criminal Background Check

- Clear Drug Screen
- Clear Criminal Background Check

Students are notified via email/postal mail related to acceptance into the program of nursing. Once accepted into the PN program, students must complete and submit documentation for the following items by the end of the first term. A student without required documentation will not be admitted to a clinical agency until all paperwork is submitted, resulting in an absence, jeopardizing student success. All tests and vaccines that are required for the program are covered by tuition, supplies, and fees as outlined in the Enrollment Agreement. The physical exam is *not* covered by tuition, supplies, and fees. All health records and background screenings will be shared with clinical affiliates as requested for clinical placement.

- Emergency Medical Release Form
- Complete physical (within 6 months of admission)
- Two-step Mantoux® and yearly thereafter* (Or an annual chest X-ray or T- Spot)
- Hepatitis B vaccination or signed waiver of declination*
- Up-to-date immunizations: Tdap, MMR, varicella, influenza*
- Current Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider through the American Red Cross*
- Proof of health insurance

THESE MUST BE KEPT CURRENT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE