Pre-Health Professions Nursing: Transition-to-RN Program

For Army Medics, Air Force Technicians, Navy Corpsmen, Paramedics, and

Licensed Practice Nurses

Application Deadline: May 1st

1. Apply to Frederick Community College and declare Nursing as your major; Apply for financial aid.

Link to FCC's online application: http://www.frederick.edu/credit-admissions.aspx

2. Send official military, college/university, and high school transcripts, SAT & ACT scores as well as any CLEP, IB or AP scores to the Welcome Center.

Note that official military and college/university transcripts should be sent upon application to FCC, and must be received prior to application deadline for the Licensed Practical Nurse-Paramedic-Military-to-RN Transition Program

To have previous college or university transcripts sent, contact the Registrar's Office at your previous institution to arrange for official transcripts to be sent to FCC's Admissions Office. Contact your high school for high school transcripts. Contact CollegeBoard.org for SAT, ACT, CLEP, IB, or AP scores

- 3. Complete FCC placement tests as needed. Contact FCC's Admission Office for guidance.
- 4. Complete the following prerequisite requirements with a grade of C or higher.

EN101 – English Composition

A college level general education math elective
A general education communications elective
A general education arts elective
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BI103 - Anatomy & Physiology I **

PS101 - General Psychology

SO101 – Sociology

ED/PS208 - Human Growth & Development
A general education humanities elective
[Science prerequisite: BI55 or BI101 or CH101]

BI103 - Anatomy & Physiology I **

BI104 - Anatomy & Physiology II **

BI104 - Microbiology **

** These sciences are the minimum requirement for application to the Transition-to-RN Program. They cannot be attempted more than twice each in the five years leading up to the application deadline; none can be older than 5 years at the application deadline. These science prerequisites must be completed at the time of application to the Transition Program.

A 1-credit PE or 3-credit health course is required to earn the Associate Degree in Nursing, however it does not need to be completed prior to applying to the Transition Program. HE102 or HE200 Nutrition is recommended.

5. Complete the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) with an overall score in the proficient range (58.7% - 78%) <u>and</u> a minimum of 69% specifically on the reading portion.

The TEAS can be taken twice in preparation for applying to the Transition Program, but there must be 30 days in between attempts. FCC's Testing Center will have March and April dates available for the TEAS. If completed previously, TEAS score cannot be older than 2 years at application deadline. Courtney Sloan in the Learning Commons can help with TEAS preparation. Contact her 2-3 months prior to taking the TEAS. FCC's Bookstore sells a TEAS preparation book.

6. Submit application and TEAS score by May 1st and make an appointment at the Testing Center for the math aptitude test.

The Testing Center will offer several dates immediately following the May 1st application deadline to complete the math aptitude test. This test offers applicants the opportunity to earn up to 2 additional points on their point scales used for admission into the Transition-to-RN program. On the Nursing Department webpage under the "Math Testing: Applying for Admission" tab, you will find a math aptitude practice test and conversions to memorize prior to taking the test. You are welcome to meet with a math tutor in the STEM Learning Center for assistance preparing. Check FCC's Nursing webpage under the "Math testing: Applying for Admission" tab or contact the nursing advisor for exact test dates.

7. Next Steps and Additional Information:

- Transition applicants must have, at a minimum, completed A&P I, II & Micro with grades of C or higher by the May 1st application deadline. None of these courses can be older than 5 years at the time of application.
- Transition applicants must submit their applications and TEAS scores to the Transition Program by May 1st. Applicants take the math aptitude test immediately following the application deadline.
- o FCC's Transition Program is a selective/competitive admission program; all applicants will not be admitted.
- o Applicants are advised of their admission status on or about June 1st.
- Applicants admitted to the Transition Program enroll in NU105 Pharmacology (2-credits) during the fall semester following admission, and have the option of also enrolling in additional nursing prerequisites as needed.
- Admitted Transition Program students who successfully complete NU105 during the fall progress into three online American Public University System (APUS) Transition Courses during the subsequent spring semester: Fundamentals of Nursing, Med-Surg I, and Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing.
- o Transition Program students who successfully complete APUS Transition Courses during the spring semester progress into a 2-credit clinical course the subsequent summer session.
- Transition Program students who successfully complete the summer 2-credit clinical are eligible to progress into the last two semesters (fall and spring) of FCC's daytime Nursing Program to complete the Associate Degree in Nursing.

Name:	
Total P	oints:
GPA: _	
	(Cumulative overall undergraduate GPA)

Criteria for Admission to Transition Program

BI103/104/120 may each be repeated only once, including withdrawals, audits, and transfer credits, in the 5 years preceding the application deadline.

Students repeating any of these science courses more than the allowed number of attempts will not be awarded any points for the applicable course, regardless of grade earned; and will be ineligible for admission.

All sciences must be completed with a grade of C or better within 5 years of the application deadline.			
	Possible	Earned	
	Points	Points	
BI103 (Anatomy & Physiology I): 8 points for A, 7 points for B, 6 points for C			
- midterm grades are counted for courses in progress	8		
- course must have been completed within 5 years of the application deadline			
BI104 (Anatomy & Physiology II): 8 points for A, 7 points for B, 6 points for C			
- midterm grades are counted for courses in progress			
- course must have been completed within 5 years of the application deadline			
BI120 or BI203 (Microbiology): 8 points for A, 7 points for B, 6 points for C			
- midterm grades are counted for courses in progress	8		
- course must have been completed within 5 years of the application deadline			
Math Aptitude Test*: 95%-100%: 2 points; 90%: 1 point			
Cumulative GPA (including transfer credits): 3.5 or higher: 2 points, 3.0 - 3.49: 1 point			
Prerequisites completed or in progress:			
EN101			
Math General Education course			
PS101	1		
SO101	1		
ED/PS208 (Human Growth & Development)	1		
Arts General Education course	1	-	
Humanities General Education course	1		
Speech course: CMSP103 or CMSP105 or CMSP107	1		
Frederick County Resident: 3 points			
TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS:	39		

^{*}See http://www.frederick.edu/degrees-certificates/nursing.aspx for information on the Math Aptitude Test, including test dates, conversions to memorize prior to the test, and sample test questions.