

NURSING: LPN RN ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

ADMISSIONS GUIDE



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

If you are a licensed practical nurse (LPN), you can earn credit for your experience and education toward SPC's Associate in Science Nursing degree. This program gives you the technical skills and scientific background you need to succeed in this lucrative field.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST (Beginning Fall 2026)

(Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission)

Term	Applications Accepted	ATI TEAS Test Window (12 months)	Application Review	Student Notified by Email: xxxxxx#@live.spcollege.edu
Fall: August	March 1 - May 15	May 16 – May 15	May 16 - June 30	July 1
Spring: January	July 1 - Sep 15	Sept 16 - Sept 15	Sept 16 - October 31	November 1

IMPORTANT: It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure all the following requirements are satisfied and posted accurately to their student record by the application deadline for admission consideration. For questions about these admissions requirements: [Advising at SPC || St. Petersburg College](#)

New students must complete the St. Petersburg College Admission Application and pay the non-refundable application fee. Returning students must complete the online Readmission steps in MySPC if you have not enrolled in the previous six semesters. [Admissions and Readmissions](#)

A secondary Health Program Application is required for limited access Health Programs (link on page 2)

Submit official, unopened (sealed) high school or GED transcripts indicating completion of a standard high school diploma or equivalency. **See * Transcripts/Transfer Credit for credit posting deadlines**
If you completed an A.A.S. degree or higher at a regionally accredited institution, SPC will not need your high school/GED transcript or Home School Affidavit.

Submit official, unopened (sealed) transcripts from all regionally accredited college(s) and/or universities currently or previously attended (outside of St Petersburg College). **See * Transcripts/Transfer Credit for credit posting deadlines**

Students must demonstrate they are at college level in Writing, Reading, and Math either through appropriate test scores or through appropriate course completion.

Students must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 on a 4.00 scale in all postsecondary coursework. Academic Standing may have an impact on admission, enrollment, and financial aid eligibility. See the SPC Academic Standing Policy for details. [Academic Standing Policy](#)

Students must successfully complete all pre-entry requirements within three attempts in accordance with St. Petersburg College Board Procedure: P6Hx23-4.15. Transfer credits, course substitutions, and course withdrawals count as attempts. Withdraw with Refund (WR) grades are not considered.

Students must meet the [Technical Standards](#) with or without accommodation(s). Please contact the Health Education Center Accessibility Services office to set up a confidential consultation at (727) 341- 4141 or visit www.spcollege.edu/accessibility.

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- Pre-entry Admission course requirements must be completed with a minimum grade of “C” and earn a minimum 2.75 GPA on a 4.00 scale. All following courses are used to calculate the Pre-entry Admission GPA (*exception).

The following courses must be completed by the application deadline:

- BSC 2085/2085L - Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Lab
- BSC 2086/2086L - Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Lab
- ENC 1101 or approved Communications Core (May be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree)
- *Computer/Information Literacy Competency (May be satisfied by an Associate in Arts or higher degree) no minimum grade, not calculated into the Pre-entry admission GPA

At least two of the following courses must be complete with a “C” or better by the application deadline. For the one remaining course, you must currently be enrolled at SPC (summer term for fall admission, fall term for spring admission, spring term for summer admission) and complete the course with a “C” or better to maintain program admission eligibility.

- MCB 2010/2010L - Microbiology and Microbiology Laboratory
- POS 2041 - American National Government or (POS 2041H)
 - or AMH 2020 - History of the United States II or (AMH 2020H)
 - or AMH 2010 - History of the United States I or (AMH 20100H) – fall 2024 or thereafter
- STA 2023 – Elementary Statistics or (Honors)

- Earn a 2.75 minimum Pre-entry Science GPA on a 4.0 scale in these course requirements: BSC 2085, BSC 2085L, BSC 2086, BSC 2086L, MCB 2010, and MCB 2010L.
- ATI TEAS Test – Completed and posted to your SPC transcript within 12 months prior to the Nursing Program application deadline (see ATI TEAS test window dates page 1). Find out how to register and request a transcript for the [ATI TEAS Test](#). Retakes are based on ATI’s minimum standards retake policy.
 - To confirm posted scores: Log into MySPC > My Academics > View Unofficial Transcript > Test Scores
 - Example of TEAS Test Window (per pg. 1): Fall 2025 Term – window = May 16, 2024 – May 15, 2025
- Submit the **Health Programs Application** for the Associate in Science in Nursing Program at <https://web.spcollege.edu/hec/application/apply>
 - Enter the clear and active Florida LPN license number or LPN license number from a state participating in the Nurse Licensure Compact in the application.
 - Complete **Video Interview and Work Experience** submission by application deadline; see **Application Confirmation Email** bullet below for instructions.
 - **Application Confirmation Email**: Immediately after application submission, applicants will receive an email confirmation to their SPC xxxxxx#@live.spcollege.edu email account which will provide instructions on next steps including how to submit the Video Interview and Healthcare Work Experience Survey form ([How do I Access My SPC Email](#)). **These next step items are due by the application deadline.**

***Transcripts/Transfer Credit:** [Submitting Official Transcripts](#)

- To ensure application consideration, ALL official transcripts, test scores, and alternative satisfaction requests must be officially received, evaluated, and posted to your St. Petersburg College transcript/records prior to the application deadline. Please allow 30 days for processing.
- We do not accept unofficial copies or unsealed official copies.
- International students, please refer to [Submitting Official Transcripts](#)
- Transcripts for course credit earned by exam(s) (e.g., AP, CLEP) must be provided from the originating testing agency.
- **If you have submitted updated transcripts from an institution that SPC has previously received, please verify that your most recent coursework is evaluated and posted to your SPC record.**

***Alternative Satisfaction**

- Transfer courses for which there is no direct SPC equivalent will be posted as elective credit and designated with a number ending in "999"; additionally, upper division (300/3000 level or higher) transfer credits do not automatically post to your SPC record.
- Upper division coursework (transfer or SPC) will not automatically satisfy admission requirements; it must be requested by the student.

If you believe a course posted as an elective should satisfy a degree requirement, or you would like an upper division course be used to satisfy a lower division course, please complete the [Alternative Satisfaction Survey](#)

A copy of your transcript from the former institution and a course syllabus will be required.

*All transcript/transfer credit questions can be directed to [Advising at SPC || St. Petersburg College](#)

- * To confirm posted credits: Log into MySPC > My Academics > View Unofficial Transcript > Other/Transfer Credits

Selection Criteria

Due to enrollment limitations, meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. When the number of eligible applications exceeds program availability, selective criteria is used to determine which applicants are offered admission. The College of Nursing determines which applicants will be offered admission utilizing the point values outlined below:

NURSING PRE-ENTRY/GEN. ED. REQUIREMENTS & APPLICATION POINTS TABLE	
PRE-ENTRY COURSES:	POINTS PER CREDIT
Complete the following pre-entry with minimum grade of "C", minimum 2.75 for Pre-entry Admission GPA	
BSC 2085 – HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I	3
BSC 2085L – HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY LAB I	1
BSC 2086 – HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II	3
BSC 2086L – HUMAN ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY LAB II	1
ENC 1101 – Composition 1 or ENC 1101H (Honors) (may be satisfied by AA or higher degree)	3
MCB 2010 – MICROBIOLOGY	3
MCB 2010L – MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY	1
STA 2023 – ELEMENTARY STATISTICS OR (STA 2023H)	3
POS 2041 – AMERICAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OR (POS 2041H) OR AMH 2020 – HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES II OR (AMH 2020H) OR AMH 2010 – HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES I OR (AMH 2020H) – COMPLETED FALL 2024 OR THEREAFTER	3
COMPUTER LITERACY (see "Nursing General Education..." link below; may be satisfied by AA or higher degree) Not calculated in Pre-entry Admission GPA	1 (ONLY)
GENERAL EDUCATION/SUPPORT COURSES:	
PSY 1012 – GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY OR (PSY 1012H)	3
Pre or Corequisite for Semester I in program, or Evening/Weekend for Semester III	
PHI 1600 – STUDIES IN APPLIED ETHICS OR (PHI 1600H)	3
Pre or Corequisite for Semester II in program, or Evening/Weekend for Semester IV	
APPROVED GENERAL EDUCATION HUMANITIES CORE COURSE (may be satisfied by AA or higher degree)	3
Pre or Corequisite for Semester III in program, or Evening/Weekend Semester III <i>Recommended: a CORE Humanities that meets *Enhanced World View - see "Nursing General Education..." link above</i>	
MAXIMUM AVAILABLE POINTS FOR CREDIT:	31
See page 2 for Pre-Entry completion deadline requirements Health GPA Calculator Pre-entry Admission & Science GPA	
<u>NURSING GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS</u>	
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:	POINTS FOR COMPLETION
CIVIC LITERACY EXAM (see "Nursing General Education..." link above for exam details; no credits associated with exam... points only)	1
ENHANCED WORLD VIEW Complete one 3-credit course intended to enhance the student's globalized economy world view This course may also be used to satisfy Humanities and Fine Arts (may be satisfied by AA or higher degree)	1
MAXIMUM AVAILABLE POINTS FOR COMPLETION:	2
PRE-ENTRY ADMISSION GPA: points awarded for <u>ONLY ONE GPA</u> range	POINTS PER RANGE
3.7 to 4.0	15
3.5 to 3.699	13
3.2 to 3.499	11
3.0 to 3.199	9
2.75 to 2.99	5
MAXIMUM AVAILABLE PRE-ENTRY GPA POINTS:	15
PRE-ENTRY CREDITS TAKEN AT SPC: points awarded for <u>ONLY ONE "CREDITS TAKEN AT SPC"</u> range	POINTS PER RANGE
All 21 credits taken at SPC	10
15-20 credits taken at SPC	7
10-14 credits taken at SPC	4
Less than 10 credits	0
MAXIMUM AVAILABLE "CREDITS TAKEN AT SPC" POINTS:	10
ATI TEAS SCORE BASED ON PROFICIENCY LEVEL: points awarded for <u>ONLY ONE TEAS SCORE</u>	POINTS PER SCORE
Exemplary	40
Advanced	35
Proficient	25
Basic	10
Developmental	0
MAXIMUM AVAILABLE TEAS SCORE POINTS:	40
VIDEO INTERVIEW: see application auto-confirmation page for more detailed instructions (up to 10 points)	10
WORK EXPERIENCE (IF APPLICABLE): see Work Experience Criteria on next page for details (up to 10 points)	10
MAXIMUM AVAILABLE NURSING APPLICATION POINTS	118

For academic advising questions about these admissions requirements: [Advising at SPC || St. Petersburg College](#)

If you are admitted, applicants will need to begin and complete the following pre-enrollment requirements immediately to maintain eligible status.

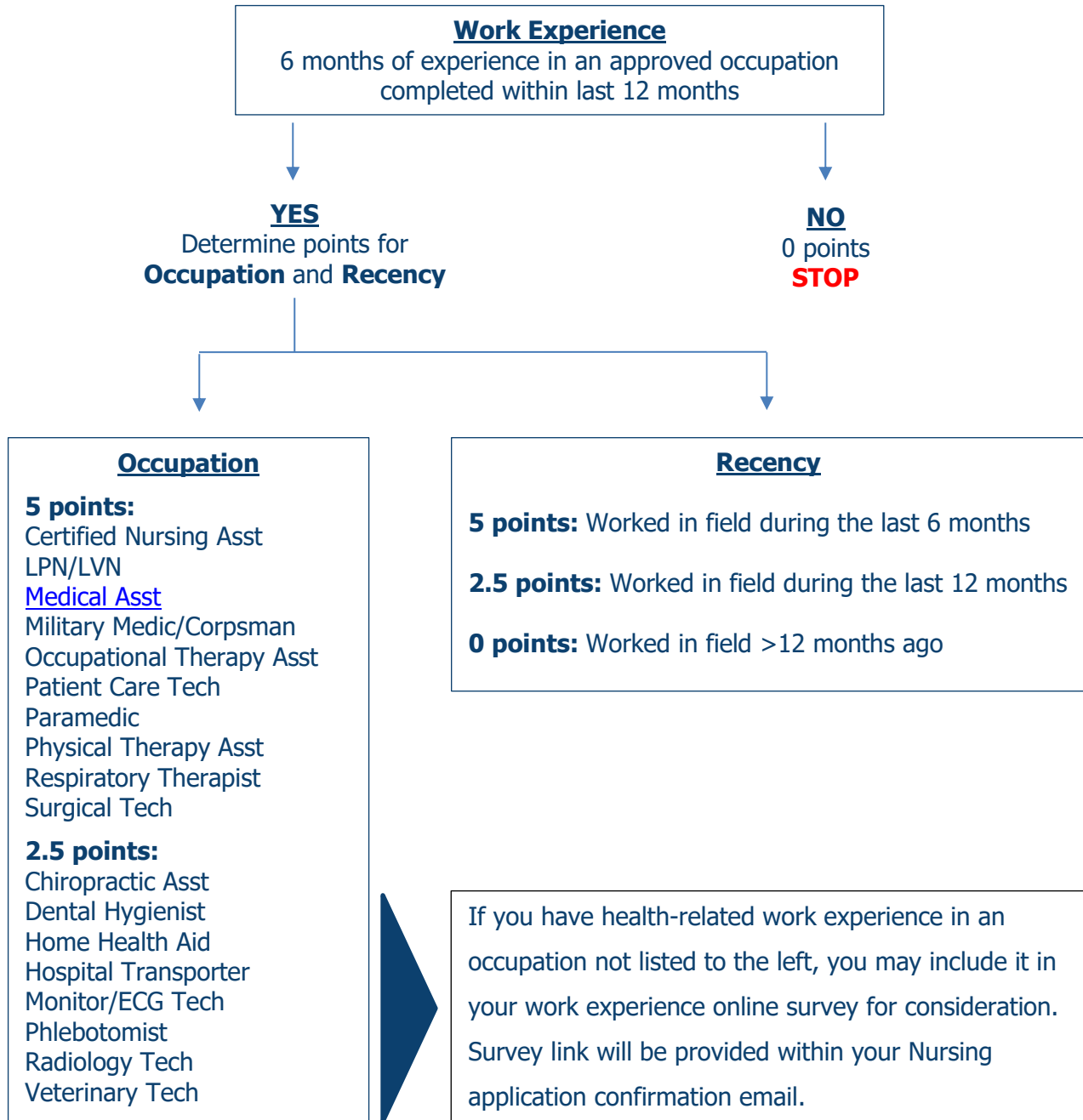
- Complete the Notice of Intent (NOI) survey by the date indicated in the offer of admission email. Candidates on the Alternate list must submit an Alternate NOI survey for consideration if a seat becomes available.
- Successfully pass a [background check and drug screening](#) by the date indicated in the admission email. (Completion required within 2 weeks following the admission offer)
- Attend the mandatory Health Education Program orientation on the date indicated in the admission email. Please clear your calendar so you are available to attend if you are offered admission; Fall term – mid July, Spring term – mid November, Summer term – mid April.
- Complete the Health Examination Form, all details will be provided during the Nursing Orientation.
- Candidates on the Alternate list must follow instructions and deadlines provided in their admission email to maintain eligibility for possible admission. If you are not notified of being moved from the alternate list to the admit list, a new application will be required during the next appropriate application period.
- If admission offer is declined by the student, a new application will be required during the next appropriate application period; applications do not roll over to future terms.

Offer of Admission emails will be sent through SPC student email (xxxxxx#@live.spcollege.edu). If you are not sure how to access your SPC student email, please visit [How do I Access My SPC Email](#)

Work Experience Criteria

The work history criteria is designed to identify applicants with recent and relevant experience in the healthcare field, particularly those who have engaged in direct patient care and interaction. This experience demonstrates a basic understanding of the responsibilities and communication skills essential for success as a nursing student. Additionally, it highlights a commitment to the healthcare profession and a foundational knowledge that can support academic and clinical success.

This applies to RN, LPN-to-RN, and Paramedic-to-RN applicants



Program Information

Clinical facilities may prohibit students who do not have an assigned social security number from participating in clinical experiences which are a mandatory component of the curriculum. If other clinical placement options are not available, students would need to withdraw from the respective semester and would not be able to progress in the nursing program; applicants must take these factors into consideration prior to pursuing admission to the nursing program.

IMPORTANT: Students may be assigned to clinical facilities in Pinellas, Hillsborough, or Pasco counties and must have reliable transportation. Scheduled days for all Nursing courses vary as indicated below:

LPN-RN Transitional — Theory/Sim Schedule Tracks:

Afternoon (Day) Track with Weekday Clinicals

- Three semesters with summer off (Fall, Spring, Fall)
- Theory is in the afternoon (usually 1pm-6pm) - 1 day per week + online coursework
- Simulations are in the afternoon (usually 12:30pm – 6:30pm) - 1 day every other week
- Clinicals are 1 day per week (M-F, varies) from approx. 6am - 5pm
- Fall Admission Only

Evening Track with Weekend Clinicals

- Three semesters with summer off (Spring, Fall, Spring)
- Theory is in the evening (usually 5pm - 9pm) - 1 day per week + online coursework
- Simulation is in the evening (usually 5pm - 8pm) - 1 day every week
- Clinicals are 1 day per week on Saturdays from approx. 6am - 5pm
- Spring Admission Only

Accessibility Services

St. Petersburg College is committed to providing quality education and services to all students by ensuring that admission, academic programs, support services, student activities, and campus facilities are accessible to and usable by qualified students with disabilities. Each specific health program has its own technical standards which all students must meet with or without accommodation(s). To help students achieve success, Accessibility Services works with students, faculty, and staff to coordinate the provision of reasonable accommodations. To put your accommodations in place, please contact the Health Education Center Accessibility Services at (727) 341-4141 or visit <http://www.spcollege.edu/accessibility>

Associate in Science Degree in Nursing Program Estimated Costs

LPN-to-RN Track

Estimated Costs for Nursing Courses Only 2025-2026

Tuition* ¹	Drug and Background Check	Immunizations**	Uniforms, Special Equipment, Lab Fees & Other Costs	Textbooks & Supplemental Materials	State Exam & License Fees	Total
\$3,576.00	\$401.47	\$1,000.00	\$1,946.10	\$3,320.55	\$310.00	\$10,554.12

* Tuition is estimated using the Florida residency rate of \$111.75/credit hour. Non-resident rate is \$386.90/credit hour.

¹ Tuition is for core coursework only. General Education and Support courses are not included.

** These are estimates; actual costs will vary depending on health insurance coverage.

Face to face classes pay a learning support access fee of \$3.00 per credit hour. Distance learning fee of \$15.00 per credit hour for online classes. Prices are subject to change. Only required textbooks (printed) are included in the estimate. eBooks, used and rental textbooks may be available at lower cost. Due to increases/decreases in books and supplements, please check the bookstore website for updated cost information. Drug screens and background check fees are subject to Castlebranch pricing. A small annual clinical placement fee may be charged by certain clinical facilities, these fees would be the responsibility of the student.

[Detailed LPN/RN Program Estimated Costs Sheets](#)

* Additional general education coursework may be required to complete the degree.