



PICKENS TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## Practical Nursing Program: STUDENT APPLICATION PACKET

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Were you previously enrolled in a Nursing Program? Yes / No

• If yes, where were you enrolled? \_\_\_\_\_

Deadlines for Submitting Completed Application:

- **Fall/August Entrance:** First Monday of April
- **Spring/January Entrance:** First Monday of October

How to use this packet:

- ★ **Review each of the required components:** *Assessments or Degree, Coursework (Prerequisites & Suggested Courses), Work Experience, References, Writing Sample.* All applicants must also **submit a resume** and complete the online application for Pickens Technical College.
- ★ **Assess how many points you currently have** for each element.
- ★ **Plan for your next steps, keeping deadlines in mind.**
  - courses that need to be taken, gathering proof of work experiences, requesting reference letters, etc.)
- ★ **Once all components have been completed, submit all documents to the registration office at Pickens Technical College located in Building B.**

## Entrance Assessment -or- Degree

<p><b>Nursing applicants are required to either:</b></p> <p>→ Submit documentation of test scores for one of the assessments noted below (TEAS or HESI)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>→ Provide documentation of a degree earned at an accredited University in the United States.</p>		
<p><b>*ATI TEAS (7th Edition)</b> Score of 58.7 or higher Applicant's score: _____</p> <p><b>*HESI</b> Score of 77.3% (773 pts) or higher. Applicant's score: _____ <i>***The Nursing Faculty will review all scores below these ranges.</i></p>	<b>OR</b>	<p><b>Degree earned at an accredited college/university in the United States.</b></p> <p>Applicant's degree: _____</p> <p>School: _____</p>
<p><b>20 points for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TEAS Score of 58.7-65</li> <li>• HESI Score of 77.3% - 87%</li> </ul> <p><b>30 points for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TEAS Score higher than 65</li> <li>• HESI Score higher than 87%</li> </ul>		<p><b>20 points for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Degree earned in an accredited institution in the US.</li> </ul> <p><b>30 points for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Degree earned in an accredited institution in the US <i>in a science-based field such as biology, medicine, psychology-related, etc.</i></li> </ul>
<p>To schedule a TEAS test, email Ericka Vigil <a href="mailto:evigil1@aurorak12.org">evigil1@aurorak12.org</a>.</p>		
<p><b>30 possible points</b> <b># of points received: _____ / 30</b></p>		

## College Level Coursework

### Prerequisite Courses:

Students must have earned a C or higher in each course.

*\*If currently enrolled, please provide proof of enrollment. Ex. schedule, unofficial transcript, etc.*

<p><b>BIO 1006 Basic Anatomy &amp; Physiology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed within 5 years of applying</li> <li>• Could be substituted for higher level course such as BIO 2101 / BIO 2102</li> </ul>	<p>A = 6 pts B = 4 pts C = 2 pts</p>
<p><b>ENG 1021 English Composition 1</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have been completed within 10 years of applying</li> </ul>	<p>A = 6 pts B = 4 pts C = 2 pts</p>
<p><b>12 possible points</b> <b># of points received: _____ / 12</b></p>	

## Suggested College Level Coursework

Submit transcripts as evidence of successful course completion.

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<b>Nutrition</b> <i>Examples: HWE 1050 or HPR 1000</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed within 5 years of applying</li> </ul>	2 pts
<b>Psychology Course</b> <i>Examples: General Psychology PSY1001, Sociology SOC 101, Human Growth and Development PSY 2440</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed within 5 years of applying</li> </ul>	2 pts
<b>Medical Terminology</b> <i>Example: HPR 1040</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed within 5 years of applying</li> </ul>	2 pts
<b>College-Level Math</b> <i>Example: MAT 1140</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed within 10 years of applying</li> </ul>	2 pts
<b>8 possible points</b> <b># of points received: _____ / 8</b>	

## Work Experience

Applicants must provide documentation of their experience(s).

Ex: Letter from employer, HR documentation, etc.

<b>Volunteerism: Non-healthcare</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. animal shelters, food banks, churches, etc.</li> </ul>	5 points
<b>Volunteerism: Healthcare Environment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. hospital, retirement home, VA Clinic, in-home caregiver, etc.</li> </ul>	10 points
<b>Public-facing paid employment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. food service, retail, assistant, nannying, etc.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">- or -</p> <b>Completion of Health-Based Scholarly Achievement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. Successful completion of High School Health Pathway or Program</li> </ul>	15 points
<b>Licensed Medical Work: less than 1 year</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. Medical Assisting, Certified Nurse Aide, EMT, Phlebotomy</li> </ul>	20 points
<b>Licensed Medical Work: more than 1 year</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ex. Medical Assisting, Certified Nurse Aide, EMT, Phlebotomy</li> </ul>	25 points
<b>25 possible points</b> <b># of points received: _____ / 25</b>	

## Reference Letters

**Professional reference letter: from a current or recent direct supervisor**

**Professional reference letter: from a colleague, former supervisor, etc.**

**15 possible points**  
**# of points received: \_\_\_\_\_ / 15**

## Writing Sample

**Applicants should submit their handwritten writing sample along with all other materials.**

- Applicants must be sure to include their ***full name and date of submission*** on their sample.

### Writing Prompt

**In 1-2 paragraphs explain what is motivating you to join the nursing profession.**  
*Be sure to include your full name on your writing sample.*

<b>Writing Rubric</b>			
<b>Points:</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
Organization	Writing has a clear beginning, middle, and end.	Writing is fairly clear and organized. Some areas may seem to ramble or be unnecessary.	Writing is disorganized and does not answer the question.
Content	Explanation is clear, organized, and is easily followed.	Explanation is fairly clear; may lack details and elaboration.	Explanation is unclear. It may not be clear how the writing supports the prompt.
Quality	Writing is neat and fairly easy to read. Full name is printed.	Writing is mostly legible but may take time to decipher.	Writing is quite difficult to read / may be illegible.
Mechanics	Writing is accurate based on spelling and overall punctuation.	Writing may have some errors but no meaning is lost.	Writing contains several errors that impede meaning.
			<b>10 possible points</b> <b># of points received: _____ / 10</b>

Each complete application packet will be reviewed and scored on a 100 pt scale.

# Required Documents for a Completed Practical Nursing Application Packet

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- Test Scores for **TEAS or HESI** OR **Proof of Degree**
- TRANSCRIPTS** to support all prerequisites and suggested courses (*official or unofficial*)
- Documentation of **Work Experience** and/or Volunteer Experience
- Reference Letter #1** from Current/Recent Supervisor
- Reference Letter #2** from a colleague, former supervisor, etc.
- Handwritten Writing Sample:** Motivation for wanting to join the nursing profession
- Complete **Resume**
- Submit Online Application for Pickens Technical College**



*\*Please be certain that all components have been completed.  
Missing documents will delay your application review.*

## SUBMIT your Complete APPLICATION PACKET

- **Once all components have been completed, submit all documents to the registration office at Pickens Technical College located in Building B.**
- **Deadline for submitting completed applications:**
  - ◆ Fall/August Entrance: First Monday of April
  - ◆ Spring/January Entrance: First Monday of October
- **Once applications have been reviewed, you will be notified of your status (Accepted, Waitlisted, Declined) via email within approximately 1 month of the deadline date.**
  - ◆ *Note: Applicants who are accepted into the Practical Nursing program are required to successfully pass a background check and drug screen.*