



NURSING DEPARTMENT: ADMISSION TO THE PROFESSIONAL (CLINICAL) PHASE

- Completion of prerequisites does not guarantee admittance into the professional phase.
- **Admission to the professional phase is competitive and based on a ranking system.**
- Ranking points are only assigned to grades in English Composition I and II and the four required sciences: Introduction to Chemistry or General Chemistry I; lab not required, Anatomy and Physiology I and II with lab, and Microbiology with lab. Ranked science courses MUST be seven years or less old at the time of admission to the professional phase.
- Students who earn a D or F, or withdrew from the course, prior to receiving the passing grade will receive a deduction in ranking points.
- **Transfer credits receive a fixed-point value in the ranking system regardless of the grade received in the course. Refer to the "[Transfer Information for Nursing Students](#)" document for more information.**
- Students with a previous college degree (Associate or higher) are given additional ranking points. **Please be sure the transcript on file at CCM shows your conferred degree.**
- Students who failed or did not complete nursing courses taken elsewhere must provide documentation with their application that explains this occurrence. Students must have been in "good standing" in their previous program and confirmation from the prior program director or program representative may be requested.
- Students who have attended CCM must have an institutional GPA of a 2.5 or greater.
- Transfer credits are not included in the institutional (CCM) GPA.
- Transfer students who are interested in the Nursing Program at CCM and still need to take the required science or English courses are highly encouraged to take these at CCM. **Students who complete their prerequisites at CCM receive priority consideration for admission to the professional phase.**
- The application for the day study track for the professional (clinical) phase is due in the Nursing Department by **March 15th** for a fall semester start.
- The application for the evening study track for the professional (clinical) phase is due in the Nursing Department by **September 15th** for a spring semester start.
- You CAN apply for the professional phase with your final prerequisites in progress. Spring Semester grades will be included in the ranking points for the March 15th applicants but Fall Semester grades are not available at the time of ranking and so cannot be included in the ranking points for the September 15th applicant. If a conditional acceptance is given with ranked courses in progress, the student must successfully complete the course with a "C" or higher to keep their seat in the professional phase.
- Professional phase applications can be accessed here:
<https://www.ccm.edu/academics/divdep/health-professions-natural-sciences/departamentofnursing/professional-phase-applications/>

If you require further information regarding advisement and information sessions, please email the Nursing Department at nursingdepartment@ccm.edu