Schoolcraft Nursing Career Ladder Curriculum (NCLC) Nursing Program Information Session
What is covered in this session...

• Overview of Program
• Application Process
• Admission Start List
• TEAS Information and Study Resources
• BSN Articulation Agreements
• Nursing Assistant Training Program
• LPN vs. RN
• NCLEX Pass Rates and Completion Rates
Overview of Program

• The traditional Nursing Program begins in Fall and Winter semester
  • Fall has about 128 students in the cohort
  • Winter has about 32-64 students in the cohort
  • The program is approximately 19 months of classes

• Classes are very structured. Once students begin the program, they cannot go at their own pace and must follow the classes that are part of their cohort. Classes have one day of theory and two days of clinical/lab, etc. on days/afternoons/weekends depending on the course.

• With the exception of NURS104 (nursing pharmacology), all NURS classes are 7 weeks long. During Fall/Winter, students will have 2 nursing classes. One in the first 7 weeks, and the other in the second 7 weeks. In Spring/Summer, students will have only 1 nursing class (due to these terms being 7-week semesters).
Program Expectations

• Nursing students must achieve an 80% or higher in all nursing courses including NURS 104 Nursing Pharmacology. Students who are unsuccessful in or withdraw from NURS 104 prior to the start of other nursing courses must repeat the course.

• Students who are unsuccessful with any two nursing courses, including NURS 104, may not continue in the nursing program.

• Course tests are completed on paper or by using the course Blackboard site or other computerized software.

• A Nursing Resource Instructor is available by appointment during the week to assist students with strategies and activities to enhance success.
Sample Schedule

• First Year – Fall
  • NURS104
  • NURS105
  • NURS106

• First Year – Winter
  • NURS107
  • NURS108

• First Year – Spring
  • NURS128

For students who want LPN License (not required for those who don’t):

• First Year – Summer
  • NURS139 (4-week course)
  • LPN program complete after this course

• Second Year – Fall
  • NURS205
  • NURS248

• Second Year – Winter
  • NURS246
  • NURS250

For more information on NURS104, see next slide
NURS104 – Pharmacology for Nurses

• 12-week course

• Can be taken the semester prior to starting the nursing program or with your first semester of nursing classes.

• The Nursing office determines when students can take this course based on when they are starting the nursing program. Students must wait to take this class until they are contacted by the Nursing department and permits are entered for registration.
What are the Requirements to Apply?

• College Level in English/Reading/Math
  • Can be demonstrated through SAT/ACT/Placement test or equivalent coursework
• Anatomy and Physiology (3.0/B 80% or better)
  • Two options
    • BIOL237 (Anatomy and Physiology 1) and BIOL238 (Anatomy and Physiology 2) – Note that only 237 is required to apply; however, 238 must be completed before a student can start the Nursing program
    • BIOL236 (Anatomy and Physiology) – this is a combined course and essentially takes the content of both BIOL237 and 238 and puts it into 1 semester
• Mathematics (2.0/C or better)
  • Must be 100 level class: MATH102, MATH111, MATH113 or higher
• Acceptable scores on the TEAS nursing entrance exam
Nursing Admission Process-Admit List

• Students cannot apply to the nursing program and get added to the admit list until all requirements are complete.
• Schoolcraft’s Nursing admission process does not operate on a competitive point system for requirements as other colleges do. Students who meet the nursing program requirements are admitted and provided with a start date semester (fall or winter).
• It’s important to focus on coursework needed to apply first, so the application can be submitted as soon as possible.
• While on the start list, many students work on requirements toward their BSN, complete the Nursing Assistant Training Program, and/or work to gain relevant healthcare experience – more on all that later!
Step 1: Meet with Advisor

- Students should meet with an academic advisor to create a plan to apply to the nursing program. If students completed coursework at other colleges, they should send all official transcripts to Schoolcraft. For new students, make sure your ACT/SAT is on file. If you feel like those scores are not indicative of your proficiency in English, Reading or Math, then take Schoolcraft’s placement test prior to your advising appointment.

- Individual plans are created for students, so they know when they are eligible to apply to the Nursing program.

- Appointments can be scheduled by calling our office at 734-462-4429
Transcripts

• Students must submit all official transcripts to the college, especially from schools where previous coursework has been completed.

• To request official transcripts, you must contact each school where you took transferrable classes and ask that an official transcript be sent to Schoolcraft. Hand delivered transcripts will not be accepted.

• Electronically, the school can send your transcripts to screcord@schoolcraft.edu

• By Mail, the school can send your transcripts to:
  Schoolcraft College
  Attn: Records
  18600 Haggerty Road
  Livonia, MI 48152
Transferring from a School in Michigan?

You can see how your classes will transfer into Schoolcraft using the Michigan Transfer Network website.
Step 2: Complete Courses

- If students need any foundation courses in English, Reading, or Math, they must complete these courses first.
- In addition to the courses needed to apply to the program, other general education classes are also required.
  - **BIOL238 Anatomy and Physiology 2 (If student took sequence)
  - **PSYCH201 Introduction to Psychology
  - ENG101 English Composition 1 (later in program)
  - ENG102 English Composition 2 (later in program)
  - Humanities (later in program)
- Priority should be put on courses needed to apply, but the above classes are additional options if students need more credits.

**BIOL238 and PSYCH201 must be complete before students start the Nursing Program**
Step 3: TEAS – Nursing Admission Exam

- **Composite:** 60%
- **Reading:** 68%
- **English:** 60%
- **Math:** 60%
- **Science:** 50%

- TEAS exam must be taken at Schoolcraft College’s Testing Center.

- Students have two attempts in a 12-month period to take the exam; each attempt is good for 12 months. We take the highest score between your two attempts.

- If you don’t achieve minimum scores on your first attempt, it’s important to speak with your academic advisor about ways to prepare for your second attempt.

- You must get a composite score of 60% or higher on all TEAS attempts, so give maximum effort in all areas.

- Students cannot take a third attempt until the oldest earlier first attempt expires.

- Students have four attempts overall to pass the TEAS exam. After that, will be unable to apply to our program.
What is on the TEAS?

Multiple-choice exam that **must be taken using the online version**.

The TEAS Exam includes:

- **31% Reading**: Key Ideas & Details (15%), Craft & Structure (9%), Integration of Knowledge & Ideas (7%)
- **16% English and Language**: Convention of Standard English (6%), Knowledge of Language (6%), Vocabulary Acquisition (4%)
- **31% Science**: Human Anatomy & Physiology (21%), Life & Physical Science (5%), Scientific Reasoning (5%)
- **22% Mathematics**: Number & Algebra (16%), Measurement & Data (6%)
How do I prepare?

• TEAS Study Manual
• Learning Assistance Center – TEAS Coach
  • On Campus Study Groups
  • Blackboard TEAS Study Page
  • One on One Tutoring
• TEAS Preparation Course
• Facebook: “Free ATI TEAS 7 Study Group” (not through Schoolcraft, but a good resource)
Step 4: Apply to the Program

• All application requirements must be complete
  • Pre-requisite Coursework must be posted on your transcript with a grade
  • If transferring credit, all official transcripts must be at Schoolcraft and evaluated

• TEAS
  • Must be in our system. If you took the exam at Schoolcraft, it can take a couple days to be uploaded.
  • Any attempts taken after September 1, 2022 at a location other than Schoolcraft will not be accepted. Scores taken at other locations prior to that date are acceptable.

• To Apply: Make an appointment with an academic advisor (734-462-4429). The Advisor will fill out the application for you and check off that each requirement is complete.
Nursing Application

LINK TO APPLICATION
BSN Articulation Agreements

- [https://www.schoolcraft.edu/schoolcraft-to-u/transfer-options/transfer-out/articulation-agreements](https://www.schoolcraft.edu/schoolcraft-to-u/transfer-options/transfer-out/articulation-agreements)

- These special agreements may allow you to transfer about 90 credits toward your BSN, which means you only have approximately 30 credits left at the university.

- Work with your advisor on the extra classes you could take to go toward your Bachelor’s Degree.
Nursing Assistant Training Program

- **NATP 115 Nursing Assistant Course** (option to take to assist with getting healthcare experience prior to starting the nursing courses- see academic schedule for semester offerings)

This course is designed to prepare an individual in the role of the nursing assistant. Students will explore communication and interpersonal skills, infection control, safety/emergency procedures, promotion of resident’s independence/rights, basic nursing skills, personal and restorative care skills, care of mental health and social services needs, care of cognitively impaired residents and documentation. Basic nursing assistant skills will be performed in laboratory and geriatric-focused clinical facilities. This course requires all students meet the requirements of a criminal background check, negative drug screen on first attempt and meet specific clinical agency uniform and health requirements. Students must also meet classroom, laboratory and clinical attendance requirements.
Practical Nursing Program (Option at the end of the first year of the ADN program)

• All students meet the requirements for the ADN program and take the same courses during the first year of the program with the addition of the NURS 139 Advanced Concepts in Practical Nursing (4-week summer course), which is required for eligibility to take the NCLEX-PN state board exam.

• You can complete the LPN certificate and continue to the second year of the ADN RN program without having to reapply.

• Difference between LPN and RN [JOBS].
NCLEX Pass Rates/Nursing Program Completion Rates

- https://www.schoolcraft.edu/academics/healthcare-and-health-sciences/nursing
Thanks for viewing!

• Picture: https://www.change.org/p/pay-nursing-students-for-working-at-placements

• To schedule an appointment to meet with an academic advisor, give our office a call at 734-462-4429.