

Quincy College Nursing

Frequently Asked Questions – Fall 2021

General Questions – Fall 2021 Admissions

1. **When Can I Apply? What is the Quincy College Nursing Application Deadline?** The application deadline is May 30, 2021.
2. **What is the difference between PN and ASN?** The Practical Nursing (PN) program is a 10 month, full time certificate program. Once completed students will prepare for and take the board exam to become a Licensed Practical Nurse. The Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ASN) program is a two year, full time Associate's degree program. Upon successful completion student will prepare for and take the board exam to be a Registered Nurse.
3. **What is the application process?** Students interested in the Quincy College Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Program and the Practical Nursing Certificate program should complete all program pre-requisites and TEAS exam. Prospective students are required to complete an online program application. Upon submission of your application and review of your qualifications, you will be contacted by Quincy College Nursing Department.
4. **I graduated from high school and/or college outside of the U.S. Can I submit those documents?** No, we cannot accept documents from outside of the United States. Any transcripts/diplomas from outside of the U.S. must be sent to the Center for Education Documentation (CED) to be evaluated. CED will then send us a report. www.cedevaluations.com
5. **I'm an international student (F1 Visa). Can I apply to the nursing program?** Unfortunately, the nursing program is not available to international students at this time. Please contact the International Office if you have any questions, (617) 984-1674 or bozbilen@quincycollege.edu
6. **Do I need to take the TEAS Exam?** Yes, the TEAS™ Exam is REQUIRED. Exams need to have been taken on or after September 1, 2019. The exam can be taken at any TEAS testing location. Due to COVID 19 the TEAS exam is currently being administered remotely.
7. **I took the TEAS, but didn't pass one section. Can I retake just one section?** Unfortunately, no. You must retake the entire exam and meet the minimum required scores in each section.
8. **I met the minimum required TEAS scores for one section in July and met the scores for the other sections in August. Can you accept scores from different exams?** No. Scores will only be taken from one exam.

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9. **Can I take TEAS Prep classes at Quincy College?** Yes, TEAS Exam Preparation Courses are offered at different times throughout the year. Check www.quincycollege.edu/teas for updates.
10. **When is the next information session for Quincy College Nursing?** TBA. Check our website for updates.
11. **I've taken Nursing Classes at another college. Can I transfer my credits?** No. Unfortunately, previous nursing courses are not transferrable and will not be accepted.
12. **I am a current Quincy College student taking pre-requisites, is the admissions process the same?**
The admissions process is the same for current Quincy College students and prospective students.
13. **I want to take Nursing at a specific campus. Can I apply to a specific campus?** Yes, you can state a preferred campus location or may choose either campus if you have no preference, but you can only be admitted to one campus, so be sure to choose which one you would prefer.
14. **I do not have the pre-requisites for the Quincy College Nursing Program. Can I still apply to the program?** No, all pre-requisite courses must be completed prior to applying and being admitted to the program. Any incomplete or missing pre-requisite courses by an applicant will not be considered. Please apply to *Natural Science* to complete the pre-requisites.
15. **If I complete the prerequisites, am I enrolled in the Nursing program?** No, once you complete the pre-requisites and TEAS exam you must complete the nursing application.
16. **What factors determine acceptance into the nursing program?** The nursing program is competitive and selective. Grades and TEAS scores are the major factors taken into consideration. Ideally, students should score above the minimum require TEAS scores and have good grades. Priority will also be given to students who have some or all co-requisites completed (Microbiology, English Composition II, General Psychology, Human Growth and Development, and U.S. History/Government elective).
17. **I'm not ready to apply to Fall 2021 Program. When can I apply next?** October 2021 for the Fall 2022 ASN and PN program.
18. **Can I transfer my science with labs courses?** Yes, as long as your sciences (College level) are within the last 5 years (Fall 2016 or later).

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19. **Can I apply for Financial Aid for the Quincy College Nursing Programs?** Yes, you can apply for Financial Aid. The FAFSA application for the 2021-22 academic year is available October 1, 2020 and will require 2019 tax returns.
20. **Will financial aid cover the entire cost of the programs?** Unfortunately, no. Even with the maximum aid, it will **NOT** cover the entire program. Upon acceptance all students should meet with a financial aid representative to go over a financial plan for the program which may include grants, loans and payment plans.
21. **Are there immunization requirements when applying for the Quincy College Nursing Programs?** Yes, Quincy College follows the Massachusetts Department of Public Health immunization requirements for secondary schools. All immunizations and background checks need to be uploaded into CastleBranch. The CastleBranch deadline will be July 2021.
22. **Do I have to have a recent physical from a doctor to be accepted into the Quincy College Nursing Program?** Yes. All students will need to have a physical exam completed by a medical practitioner in the last year.
23. **Is there a background check (CORI) when you apply to the Quincy College Nursing Program?** Yes, a Criminal Background Check or CORI is conducted as part of the admissions process.

Associate of Science in Nursing Program Questions

1. **What are the prerequisites courses for the Quincy College Associate of Science in Nursing program?**

Applicants for admission must submit an Official Transcript showing PREREQUISITE COURSES (see below) WITH A GRADE OF C (73%) OR BETTER.

 - English Composition I (3 credits)
 - College Algebra or higher (Statistics Preferred) (3 credits)
 - Anatomy & Physiology I with lab (4 credits) *
 - Anatomy & Physiology II with lab (4 credits) *
 - General Chemistry OR Introduction to Chemistry (4 credits) *

Sciences must have been completed within the last 5 years (Fall 2016 or later)

** Priority consideration will be given to students who have successfully completed

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Microbiology, English Composition II, General Psychology, Human Growth and Development, and U.S. History/Government elective. All applicants will be scored using a rubric.

2. **My sciences are more than 5 years old. Will I need to retake them?** Yes, any sciences completed before Fall 2016 must be retaken.
3. **What is the Application Process for the ASN program? To be considered for admission to the ASN program in September 2021 all applicants must:**
 - a. Attend a Required Nursing Program Information Session. Nursing Program Information Sessions are prepared and conducted by the nursing division and admissions office staff. Dates will be posted on the Quincy College website.
 - b. Submit an application for admission to the ASN program and pay the application fee. Indicate on the application to which campus you are applying. Please indicate campus preference – Quincy campus, Plymouth campus or no campus preference. There are a limited number of seats in the ASN program. Applicants are encouraged to apply as early as possible.
 - c. Submit Official High School Transcript/GED/High School Equivalency Certificate.
 - d. Submit official college transcripts from previously attended colleges including Quincy College. These official transcripts must be sent directly from the college you attended to the Quincy College admissions office.
 - e. If you are Certified in a medical field (LPN, CNA, Medical Assistant, etc.) send a copy of your certification card or LPN license.
 - f. The ATI TEAS Exam is an admission requirement and must have been completed on or after September 1, 2019. Applicants can schedule the exam by visiting www.atitesting.com. Applicants can take the TEAS Exam at any testing location.
 - g. Successful passage of the ATI TEAS examination is a requirement for admission to the Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Program. Quincy College has set the following standards on the ATI TEAS scores for admission to improve the success of students completing the program and obtaining licensure and certification.

Math	English	Reading Comprehension	Science
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63.0 percent	60.0 percent	74.0 percent	55.0 percent
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The nursing division will evaluate only those applicants who took the TEAS exam on or after September 1, 2019. If an applicant fails to meet the minimum required scores indicated above, s/he may retake the TEAS exam a total of three attempts per academic year (September 1st to August 31st). Applicant must wait 30 days prior to each retake.

- h. Once the student has achieved the required scores on all four sections (one exam) of the TEAS exam, and has met all of the admission criteria, applicants will be scored using an admissions rubric and a member of the nursing division staff will contact selected applicants.
 - i. Admissions decisions will be mailed on an ongoing basis. No students will be admitted to the ASN program after the second class session.
 - j. All students admitted to the nursing program will be required provide needed information for a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check. Additionally, students will be required to register with CastleBranch, an online background screening and compliance management vendor. Students will be required to upload mandatory health data including, but not limited to: proof of current immunization and physical examination; current health care provider CPR; and undergo a federal criminal background check.
4. **How long will it take to complete the Associate of Science in Nursing?** 2 years (4 semesters), full time days
 5. **I've taken Quincy College Nursing Classes in past; Can I apply?** Yes, you can apply to a Quincy College Nursing Program, but previous nursing courses (i.e. Fundamentals of Nursing etc) will **NOT** transfer over. The new curriculum and course content has been developed based on a new framework and does not match the previous course content.
 6. **I've been rejected from the Associate of Science in Nursing Program. Can I apply to the Practical Nursing Program?** Yes, however you must meet the admission requirements and submit application within the application period.

Practical Nursing Certificate Questions

- What are the prerequisites for the Quincy College Practical Nursing Program? All applicants must submit the following:

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- High School Diploma/GED/HiSET
- Attend a Nursing Information Session
- TEAS Exam
- College Algebra or higher (3 credits)
- Applied Anatomy & Physiology (4 credits) {A&P I and II can substitute}
- **What is the passing grade for ATI TEAS to be accepted into the Practical Nursing program?** The ATI TEAS Exam is an admission requirement and must have been completed on or after September 1, 2019. Applicants can schedule the exam by visiting www.atitesting.com. Individual scores required are:

Math	English	Reading
50 Percent	55 Percent	65 Percent

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- a. Once the student has achieved the required scores on all three sections of the TEAS exam, and has met all of the admission criteria, applicants will be scored using an admissions rubric and a member of the nursing division staff will contact selected applicants.
 - b. Admissions decisions will be mailed on an ongoing basis. No students will be admitted to the PN program after the second class.
 - c. All students admitted to the nursing program will be required to provide information for a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check. Additionally, students will be required to register with CastleBranch, an online background screening and compliance management vendor. Students will be required to upload mandatory health data including, but not limited to: proof of current immunization and physical examination; current BLS for health care providers; and undergo a federal criminal background check.
- **How long will it take to complete the Practical Nursing Program?** This program is a full time, day program, lasting 10 months.