



2025-2026 Nursing Application Packet

Dear Nursing Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Nursing Program at Northwest Iowa Community College. In order to be considered for the Nursing program, you must first complete the enclosed application items.

1. Nursing Program Application-page 2 (please complete immediately and submit)
2. High School Transcripts or High School Equivalency (Unless already submitted)
3. College Transcripts (Unless classes taken at Northwest Iowa Community College)
4. You must hold a 76-hour CNA Course Completion Certificate.
5. Proof of Completion of Practical Nursing Prerequisite Courses
 - a. The cumulative college GPA maybe considered for Practical Nursing or Practical Nursing Extended admission.

Nursing applications are reviewed once all application items are completed. It is the student's responsibility to make sure the application items are completed and have been received at the Enrollment Office at Northwest Iowa Community College. Students will be accepted pending openings for the program. Please submit your completed application items to:

Lisa Story, Director of Enrollment, Northwest Iowa Community College
603 West Park Street
Sheldon, Iowa 51201

The Nursing Program is a limited enrollment program so completion of the prerequisites and/or minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the program. This is a competitive program with an emphasis placed on academic performance and the determination to succeed. If you have any questions concerning the application process for the Nursing Program please contact:

Lisa Story, Director of Enrollment
1-800-352-4907 Extension 115

Kim Karhoff, Director of Nursing Education
1-800-352-4907 Extension 146

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If you have any questions or complaints related to compliance with this policy, please contact one of the Equity Coordinators at Northwest Iowa Community College, 603 West Park Street, Sheldon, Iowa, room D403b or room A101D, email equity@nwicc.edu, phone number 712-324-5061, extension 113 or extension 137, fax 712-324-4136; or the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Citigroup Center, 500 W. Madison, Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661, email OCR.Chicago@ed.gov, phone number 312-730-1560, fax 312-730-1576.

Northwest Iowa Community College Nursing Program Application

Please complete all information. Please type or print clearly using black ink only.

Which program would you like to be considered for?

You may select both choices.

_____ Practical Nursing-Intended semester of entry: _____

_____ Practical Nursing Extended—intended semester of entry: _____

Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Legal Name _____
Last First Middle Maiden

Address _____
Street City State ZIP

Home Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

High School _____

Graduation Date (Month & Year) _____ Cumulative GPA _____

High School Equivalency Test Date (Month&Year) _____ High School Equivalency Test Score _____

**Please include a copy of either your high school transcripts or High School Equivalency scores.
An official transcript will be required upon acceptance into the program.*

Post-Secondary Education

College	State	Dates Attended	Degree(s) Earned
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**Please include an official or copy of transcripts from all colleges attended with your application.*

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Nursing Program Information

Completion of Prerequisites

Term 0: Prerequisites for Nursing Program (Pre-Nursing semester)	
Medical Terminology	2 cr
Composition 1	3 cr
Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 with lab	4 cr
Math requirement (see below)	See below
Intro to Nursing	4 cr (3.0 theory, 1.0 lab)
	Total: 13 credits

Additional admission notes:

- Math Requirement: The math requirement must be met prior to admission to nursing program. Math req. can be met in any one of the following ways:
 - Math ACT score 19 or greater
 - Approved Math course: Applied Math Topics, Math for Liberal Arts, Intermediate Algebra, College Algebra or Statistics with grade of C or higher
 - Previous AA, BA, BS degree
- You must hold a 76-hour CNA Course Completion Certificate
- Human A and P 1 must be taken within last 5 years for initial entry to PN program.
- Students must have previously completed prerequisites of the program with a “C” or higher before they will be considered for the program. Students must pass Intro to Nursing with a 79.5%. Students must submit proof of their completion of these classes.
- No more than 1 full semester between passing Intro to Nursing and beginning PN classes

Background Check

All students starting the Nursing Program will have completed a Criminal Record/Child and Adult Abuse Check during HSC-189. Students are responsible for the \$65.00 fee. If a discrepancy is found, further review will be needed and a decision will be made by DHS for eligibility.

CPR, Health Assessment, Child/Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting Training

CPR for Healthcare Providers, a Health Assessment specific to our nursing program, HIPAA and Bloodborne Pathogen training and an online Mandatory Child/Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting Class is required before beginning the first clinical rotation.

Clinical and Preceptor Travel

Students accepted into the program will be responsible for all expenses incurred while traveling to and from all clinical sites, preceptor sites and classes. These are the possible clinical sites:

Practical Nursing Sites:

Sanford/Sheldon Medical Center
 Prairie Ridge-Orange City
 Crown Point Estates-Sioux Center
 Orange City Area Health System
 Sioux Center Community Health
 Prairie View-Sanborn

Associate Degree Nursing Sites:

Spencer Area Hospital
 Keystone Treatment Center-Canton, SD
 Sanford/Sheldon
 Sioux Center Health
 Mercy One Medical Center-Sioux City
 Cherokee Mental Health Institute
 Orange City Area Health
 Avera McKennan-Sioux Falls
 Lakes Regional Health-Spirit Lake

Northwest Iowa Community College Nursing Program of Study

Please mark any of the courses below you have completed. All courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or higher (except Intro to Nursing which must be passed with 79.5%)

_____ Please check if you have completed the 76 Hour Certified Nurse Aid Course.

Prerequisite Courses:

Course	Date of Completion	College Attended
Composition 1 (3 credits)		
Medical Terminology (2 credits)		
Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 with lab (4 credits)	*** Must be taken within 5 yrs of entrance to PN program	
Math Requirement (see previous page)		
Intro to Nursing (4 credits)		MUST be taken at NCC

Practical Nursing General Courses:

Course	Date of Completion	College Attended
Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 with lab (4 credits)		
Developmental Psychology (3 credits)		
Nutrition (3 credits)		

Associate Degree Nursing General Courses:

Course	Date of Completion	College Attended
Microbiology with Lab (4 credits)		
Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)		

Please enclose an official transcript if the above courses were completed at a college other than Northwest Iowa Community College. If an official transcript was previously sent to Northwest Iowa Community College, please include an unofficial copy of the transcripts in this packet. If documentation of courses completed is not provided, your application will not be considered.