

COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA
Summer 2021 Practical Nursing Program Selection Criteria

Applicants will be selected through the following point system:

◆ **HEALTH CARE CREDENTIAL AND/OR WORK EXPERIENCE:**

- Credentialed Health Occupation **other than CNA** (5 points): Examples can include, but are not limited to EMT, corpsman, lab tech, x-ray tech, pharmacy tech, etc.
-A copy of the current credential must be submitted with application to PN program.
- Health Care Work Experience (2 points): Minimum of six (6) months within two (2) years of application deadline date. Experience must involve direct patient contact and care. Clerical work will not meet the requirement.
-CSN form completed by employer indicating work responsibilities and length of employment must be supplied. The Health Care Experience Documentation Form is available online at: <https://at.csn.edu/practical-nursing-program>

◆ **PREVIOUS EDUCATION/ADVANCED DEGREES:**

- Master's Degree (4 points)
- Bachelor's Degree (3 points)
- Associate's Degree (2 points)

◆ **GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES:** (points awarded for each course successfully completed with a "C" or higher)

- HHP 123B or BIOL 223 (10 points)
- HHP 124B or BIOL 224 (5 points)

◆ **COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

Completed volunteer community service (related to health care profession, and excluding course curriculum requirements) within the past 12 months*

- 25+ hours (1 point)
- 50+ hours (2 points)
- 100+ hours (3 points)

-CSN form completed by the volunteer organization indicating type of volunteer work and number of hours must be supplied. The Community Service Documentation Form is available online at: <https://at.csn.edu/practical-nursing-program>

◆ **ADMISSIONS TEST:**

Points may be awarded for applicants with identified scores in **Math, Reading, and Science**. Although the Writing or English section must be completed for testing, no additional points will be rewarded for this testing area. **The TEAS registration information is available online at: <https://at.csn.edu/practical-nursing-program>**

◆ **ATI TEST OF ESSENTIAL ACADEMIC SKILLS (TEAS):**

Minimum 64.7% Adjusted Individual Total score must be met to apply.

| AREA OF TESTING | SECTION SCORE | SECTION SCORE |
|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| MATH | 71% - 80% = 2 POINTS | >80% = 5 POINTS |
| READING | 73% - 80% = 2 POINTS | >80% = 5 POINTS |
| SCIENCE | 53% - 65% = 2 POINTS | >65% = 5 POINTS |

◆ **KAPLAN ADMISSIONS TEST (KAT):**

Minimum 60% Overall Correct score must be met to apply.

| AREA OF TESTING | SECTION SCORE | SECTION SCORE |
|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| MATH | 76% - 85% = 2 POINTS | >85% = 5 POINTS |
| READING | 76% - 85% = 2 POINTS | >85% = 5 POINTS |
| SCIENCE | 56% - 65% = 2 POINTS | >65% = 5 POINTS |

- A maximum of **six (6) attempts lifetime for the TEAS** is permitted with no wait time between attempts. Applicants who fail to establish the minimum cut-off score in each area will be required to re-take the entire exam. Each test is considered a combined complete entity. There will be **NO** combination of scores from separate tests.
- The completion deadline date for application materials is used as the reference point for time frames.

- TEAS and KAT results are valid for five (5) years
- **The Kaplan Exam must be taken prior to December 31, 2016 and will be accepted until December 31, 2021. Kaplan Exams taken after December 31, 2016 will not be accepted. TEAS or Kaplan Exam scores that are older than five (5) years at the time of application will not be considered. TEAS or Kaplan exams from another state and/or institution must have all their scores officially transferred to CSN BEFORE their specified application deadline.**

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