# COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA Summer 2018 Practical Nursing Program Selection Criteria

Qualified applicants must meet with a Health Programs Advisor; complete a Limited Entry Application Workshop and submit Application Packet; have placed into (on the English Accuplacer), enrolled in, or completed ENG 100, 101, 102, 113, or 114; have a high school diploma or GED equivalent; have current certification as a Nursing Assistant (CNA) in Nevada; and have a minimum of 64.7% Adjusted Individual Total score on the ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS); or a minimum of 60% Overall Correct score on the Kaplan Admissions Test (KAT). Applicants will then be selected through the following point system:

- ♦ HEALTH CARE WORK EXPERIENCE: (examples can include, but are not limited to: EMT, corpsman, lab tech, x-ray tech, pharmacy tech)
  - Credentialed Health Occupation other than CNA (5 points)
    - -A copy of the current credential must be supplied.
  - Health care work experience- at least six months within the last two years\* (2 points).
    - -CSN form completed by employer indicating work responsibilities and length of employment must be supplied. The <u>Health Care Experience Documentation Form</u> is available online at: <a href="http://sites.csn.edu/health/pdf/NursHCEDF.pdf">http://sites.csn.edu/health/pdf/NursHCEDF.pdf</a>

## **◆** PREVIOUS EDUCATION/ADVANCED DEGREES:

- Master's Degree (4 points)
- Bachelor's Degree (3 points)
- Associate's Degree (2 points)
- ◆ GENERAL EDUCATION AND SUPPORT COURSES: (points awarded for each course successfully completed with a "C" or higher)
  - HHP 123B (10 points)
  - HHP 124B (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 (1point)
- 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 <u>Community Service Documentation Form</u> is available online at:

http://sites.csn.edu/health/pdf/NursCSDF.pdf

#### **◆** ADMISSIONS TEST:

Points may be awarded for applicants with identified scores in **Math, Reading, and Science.** Although the <u>Writing or English section must be completed for testing</u>, no additional points will be rewarded for this testing area. **The <u>TEAS</u>** registration information is available online at: <a href="http://sites.csn.edu/health/pdf/TEASexam.pdf">http://sites.csn.edu/health/pdf/TEASexam.pdf</a>

### ◆ 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 |

- Applicants who fail to meet the minimum test score will be required to re-take the entire exam. There must be a minimum of three
  (3) months between test dates. Each test is considered a combined complete entity. There will be NO combination of scores from separate tests.
- 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.

<sup>\*</sup>The completion deadline date for application materials is used as the reference point for time frames.