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Overview

1. We are a selective admissions program.
 - a. Competitive in nature, with roughly 200-250 applicants each year.
 - b. Accept 40 students between Paramedic and LPN applicant pool.
2. Application period: May 15 – August 1.
3. This option is a one-year, full-time program.
4. The cohort begins in January every year.
5. Didactic is online. Clinical & lab consists of 405 hours in the Hutchinson, KS area.

Students are eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN after successfully completing the online bridge option.

Students have the option to test in their home state, or test in Kansas and transfer the nursing license. Students are responsible to contact their State Board of Nursing to determine licensure application requirements. (*see [Program Disclosure](#))

Program Format

1. Didactic courses are all online, including testing. The online format allows flexibility with reviewing unit content and working through assignments on their own time.
 - a. Each unit has posted due dates, and all assignments must be completed by the due date. For example, in the first semester there is a unit due every week and students are expected to have all work turned in weekly.
 - b. All exams are times and due within a specific time frame.
 - i. Four days are allotted for exams, but students may schedule anytime within those four days.
 - ii. There are both proctored and non-proctored exams.
2. Orientation/Skills lab is held the first full week of January and is mandatory. (If January 1st falls on a Monday, the orientation will be the next full week.)
 - a. If a student does not come prepared, they will be asked to return the following week to repeat the laboratory hours. This rarely happens, as students are given resources to prepare in advance.
3. Clinical hours are 6:30 AM – 5:00 PM
 - a. The maximum is four consecutive days in a row for clinical during any semester of this option. Independent booking is based on published calendar.
 - b. Fall term clinical, students may be eligible to complete up to 70 hours with a preceptor in the area they live in. The program does not allow for preceptor experiences to be completed in the following states: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington, West Virginia and Wyoming.

Semester	Event	Month	Duration	Location	Hours
Spring	Orientation/Skills Lab	January	5 days	HutchCC Campus	45
Spring	Clinical	February - April	9 days	Hutchinson, KS area; Medical-Surgical Unit	90
Summer	Clinical	June - July	9 days	Hutchinson, KS area; Mother/Baby or Pediatric Unit	90
Fall	Complex Care of the Adult	September - November	8 days	Completed independently by student	90*
Fall	Leadership/Management	September - November	9 days	Hutchinson, KS area; Mother/Baby or Pediatric Unit	90*

*of the total hours in Fall term, student may be eligible to complete up to 70 hours with a preceptor in the area they live in.

Health & Safety Required for Clinical Sites

- Tuberculosis Screening
 - Two-step method (A 2 step is defined as two TST's done within 1month of each other), or Proof of current test (Mantoux only, NO TINES accepted)
- Measles & Rubella
 - Documentation of 2 MMRs, or Titer
- Chicken Pox
 - Vaccinations (must have 2 documented vaccinations), or Titer documentation, or physician documentation of having disease
- Tetanus Toxoid, Diphtheria and Pertussis
 - Documentation of 1 booster dose of Tdap vaccine within the last ten years, or Titer documentation
- Hepatitis B
 - Documentation of series (3 vaccines), or Titer documentation

- Influenza Vaccine
 - Current season
- Covid-19
 - Documentation of vaccination(s) must include the vaccine manufacturer, lot number, date and healthcare professional or clinical site given. Students may request exemption based on religious belief or medical need. Request does not guarantee approval by clinical facility.

Cost

Semester	In-State Cost*	Out-of-State Cost*
SPRING	\$2,505	\$2,877
SUMMER	\$1,250	\$1,430
FALL	\$1,842	\$2,150
Total	\$5,597	\$6,457

*Estimate. Subject to change.

- For the most current [cost schedule](#), please refer to the HutchCC website.

Step 1: Application to HutchCC

- [Apply here](#) to HutchCC Admissions (if you have not already done so), or [update](#) your HutchCC information. Select Pre-Nursing ADN Bridge option as your major.
- Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended and high school transcripts to: Hutchinson Community College Records Office, 1300 N. Plum, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

You can view your transcripts on your DragonZone, under the Academics tab, then the Transcripts link. To check the status of transcripts, please check under “My Profile” in DragonZone, then the Education tab at the top of the page. Once the official transcripts are reflected in DragonZone, you may schedule an appointment with your advisor.

Step 2: Prerequisites

- All prerequisites must be completed by the application deadline, August 1.
- All our prerequisite courses may be completed online through HutchCC.
- Grades must be a “C” or better and 2.75 or higher.
- If you CLEP a course or receive a passing grade for a course that will transfer, you will receive one point for that course on the scoring rubric. (Courses: English Comp I, General Psychology, Human Growth & Development, and Sociology)
- You can verify if your prerequisites will transfer by going to the [Transcript Equivalency Chart](#).
 - Select the institution the course was taken at and verify if it will equate as a HutchCC course by locating the course ID number.

Required Prerequisites

ADN Traditional

- Human Anatomy & Physiology*
- English Composition I
- General Psychology
- Human Growth and Development
- Sociology or Nutrition
- Public Speaking or Interpersonal Communications
- General Microbiology*
- Pathophysiology
- IV Therapy (not included in prerequisite GPA) is required for LPN’s only.

** Must be within 7 years. If already completed a transferable course but it is over 7 years, you have the option as a practicing paramedic or LPN to test out of this course. Refer to rubric for ranking. Contact the program secretary for details.*

Step 3: TEAS Admission Exam

- A. If you have a physical or mental disability and would like to use accommodations on the entrance exam or to complete other application requirements, please contact the Coordinator of Accessibility Services at 1-620-665-3554 or 1-800-289-3501. Students will need to furnish appropriate documentation of the disability before accommodations may be offered. Hutchinson Community College ADA Accommodations Coordinator, 1300 N. Plum, Hutchinson, KS 67501.
- B. The Associate Degree Nursing program requires ATI TEAS Admissions Test as part of the application process.
 - a. The cost is \$65 per exam plus \$5 proctoring fee.
 - b. ATI TEAS is taken Remote via Proctorio through ATI.
 - c. ATI TEAS exam may be taken up to three (3) times in a 24-month period. The most recent scores will be used.
 - d. There is a required thirty (30) day waiting period between exams.
 - e. The date of the ATI Teas must be within 2 years of the application deadline.
 - f. Request scores be sent to HutchCC. Test results can take up to 72 hours to populate into your ATI account. The date on your score report will reflect the date the test posts to your ATI account.
 - g. Only official scores submitted from ATI TEAS will be accepted.
 - h. Exam must be completed by the application deadline, August 1.
 - i. To take the exam, you will need computer access (with a strong internet connection), equipped with a working camera and microphone.
 - j. For free study resources, check out the ATI Facebook page for live TEAS prep events, as well as previously recorded videos, and the ATI Student Blog for practice questions, TEAS tips and more.
 - k. All sections are required. Only students who meet the total test score of 58.7% are eligible for ranking. Ranking points are assigned for each section (Reading, Math, Science, and English & Language and Overall) of eligible tests.
 - l. Admission exam information packet may be downloaded from website or request packet from ADN Program Secretary.
 - m. Maximum test time: 3 hours and 47 minutes.
 - n. The ATI TEAS exam is composed of 170 four-option, multiple choice questions, divided in 4 sections.

Subject	# of Questions	Time Limit	Specific Content
Reading	39	55 minutes	• Key ideas & details • Craft and structure • Integration of knowledge & ideas
Math	34	75 minutes	• Number & algebra • Measurement & data
Science	44	60 minutes	• Human anatomy & physiology • Life and physical sciences • Scientific reasoning
English & Language Usage	33	37 minutes	• Conventions of standard English • Knowledge of language • Vocabulary acquisition
Overall			• Must meet total test score of 58.7%

Step 4: Associate Degree Nursing Application

- A. Verify GPA meets requirement.
 - a. Overall equals 2.00 or higher
 - b. All required General Education courses (includes both prerequisite and corequisites completed) equals 2.75 or higher.
- B. Submit online program application for Paramedic to ADN Online Bridge Option or LPN to ADN Online Bridge option.
 - a. A new application must be submitted for each application period.
 - b. Must use the link provided and submit it online.
 - c. Upload all requested documentation.
 - i. LPNs: documentation of current licensure in the state they reside in.
 - ii. Paramedics: documentation of National Registry or Kansas Certification.
 - iii. IV Therapy documentation
 - iv. 1000 hours work verification – If you graduated or were certified more than 3 (three) years ago, you must work at least 1000 hours in your field (LPN or Paramedic) within the past 3 (three) years. You must upload the 1000 hours Verification form completed by your employer(s).
 - d. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- C. Applicants who meet all the criteria for admission into the ADN Online Bridge option, will receive notification letters by email to their HutchCC Dragon email.
- D. If accepted, ADN students must submit proof of CPR certification, completed physical health and immunization records. More information will be provided on the next steps and deadlines after the letter of acceptance has been received.

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Sample Scoring

Prerequisite Grade Points (maximum of 24 points)

Points assigned to the grade for each of the 8 prerequisites. You must have a C or higher in each course.

Prerequisite Points	
Grade	Points
A	3
B	2
C	1
Pass	1
CLEP	1

Course	Grade	Points	
Human Anatomy & Physiology			
English Comp I			
Psychology			
Human Growth & Development			
Sociology / Nutrition			
Public Speaking / Interpersonal Communications			
Microbiology			
Pathophysiology			
Total Prerequisite Grade Points			

Admission Exam Points (maximum of 20 points)

Points assigned to the score for each of the following Admission Exam subjects. *Minimum score must be met on Overall.

Score	Points
96-100	4
91-95	3.5
86-90	3
81-85	2.5
76-80	2
61-75	1.5
53-60	1
52 below	0

Subject	Score	Points
Reading		
Math		
Writing		
Science		
*Overall 58.7%		
Total Admission Exam Points		

Residency Additional Points

Additional points assigned based on residency:

Points	Residency requirement
0.5	Resident of surrounding state (Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri & Oklahoma); OR
1	Resident of Kansas; OR
2	Resident of surrounding counties (Rice, McPherson, Harvey, Sedgwick, Kingman, Pratt, & Stafford; OR
3	Resident of Reno County

Final Ranking Score

Prerequisite Grade Points (Total Grade Score)	Admission Exam Points (Total Admission Exam Score)	Residency Points (Residency points if applicable)	Ranking Score Grade + Admission Exam + Residency Points = Rank Score
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