PRACTICAL NURSING

PICKENS TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## STUDENT APPLICATION PACKET

**Date:** _____

**Applicant Name**    _____

**Applicant Email**    _____

**Phone Number**    _____

**Were you previously enrolled in a Nursing Program? Yes   /   No**

● **If yes, where were you enrolled?** _____

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**Deadlines for Submitting All Application Components:**

- **Fall/August Entrance:**       **First Monday of April**
- **Spring/January Entrance:**       **First Monday of October**

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**How to use this packet:**

★ **Review each of the required components:** *Assessments or Degree, Coursework (Prerequisites & Suggested Courses), Work Experience, References, Writing Sample.* All applicants must also **submit a resume** and complete the [online application for Pickens Technical College](#).

★ **Assess how many points you currently have** for each component.

★ **Plan for your next steps, keeping deadlines in mind.**
   ○ courses that need to be taken, gathering proof of work experiences, requesting reference letters, etc.)

★ **Once all components have been completed, submit all documents to the Registration Office at Pickens Technical College located in Building B.**

# Entrance Assessment -or- Degree

**Nursing applicants are required to either:**
- ➔ Submit documentation of test scores for one of the assessments noted below (TEAS or HESI)

**OR**

- ➔ Provide documentation of a degree earned at an accredited University in the United States.

| **\*ATI TEAS** *(7th Edition)*<br>Score of 58.7 or higher<br>Applicant's score: _____<br>**\*HESI**<br>Score of 77.3% (773 pts) or higher.<br>Applicant's score: _____<br>*\*\*\*The Nursing Faculty will review all scores below these ranges.* | **OR** | **Degree earned at an accredited college/university in the United States.**<br><br>Applicant's degree:<br><br>_____s<br>e<br>School:<br><br>_____ |
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| **20 points for:**<br>  ● TEAS Score of 58.7-65<br>  ● HESI Score of 77.3% - 87%<br>**30 points for:**<br>  ● TEAS Score higher than 65<br>  ● HESI Score higher than 87% | | **20 points for:**<br>  ● Degree earned in an accredited institution in the US.<br>**30 points for:**<br>  ● Degree earned in an accredited institution in the US *in a science-based field such as biology, medicine, psychology-related, etc.* |

*To schedule a TEAS test, email [pickensregistration@aurorak12.org](mailto:pickensregistration@aurorak12.org).*

> **30 possible points**
> **# of points received: _____ / 30**

# College Level Coursework

**Prerequisite Courses:**
*Students must have earned a C or higher in each course.*
*\*If currently enrolled, please provide proof of enrollment: Ex. schedule, unofficial transcript, etc.*
*Moving forward in the application process is contingent upon successful completion of all prerequisites.*

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| **BIO 1006 Basic Anatomy & Physiology**<br>  ● Could be substituted for higher level course such as BIO 2101 / BIO 2102 | A = 6 pts<br>B = 4 pts<br>C = 2 pts |
| **ENG 1021 English Composition 1** | A = 6 pts<br>B = 4 pts<br>C = 2 pts |
| **12 possible points**<br>**# of points received: _____ / 12** | |

## Suggested College Level Coursework
*Submit transcripts as evidence of successful course completion.*
*\*If currently enrolled, please provide proof of enrollment. Ex. schedule, unofficial transcript, etc.*

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| **Nutrition** <br> *Examples: HWE 1050 or HPR 1000* | 2 pts |
| **Psychology Course**  *Examples: General Psychology PSY1001, Sociology SOC 101,  Human Growth and Development PSY 2440* | 2 pts |
| **Medical Terminology** <br> *Example: HPR 1040* | 2 pts |
| **College-Level Math** <br> *Example: MAT 1120, MAT 1140* | 2 pts |
| **8 possible points** <br> **# of points received: _____ / 8** | |

# Work Experience

*Applicants must provide documentation of their experience(s).*
*Ex: Letter from employer, HR documentation, etc.*

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| **Volunteerism: Non-healthcare** <br> ● Ex. animal shelters, food banks, churches, etc. | 5 points |
| **Volunteerism: Healthcare Environment** <br> ● Ex. hospital, retirement home, VA Clinic, in-home caregiver, etc. | 10 points |
| **Public-facing paid employment** <br> ● Ex. food service, retail, assistant, nannying, etc. <br> **-  or  -** <br> **Completion of Health-Based Scholarly Achievement** <br> ● Ex. Successful completion of High School Health Pathway or Program | 15 points |
| **Licensed Medical Work: less than 1 year** <br> ● Ex. Medical Assisting, Certified Nurse Aide, EMT, Phlebotomy | 20 points |
| **Licensed Medical Work: more than 1 year** <br> ● Ex. Medical Assisting, Certified Nurse Aide, EMT, Phlebotomy | 25 points |
| **25 possible points** <br> **# of points received: _____ / 25** | |

# Reference Letters

| Professional reference letter: from a current or recent direct supervisor |
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| Professional reference letter: from a colleague, former supervisor, etc. |

**15 possible points**
**# of points received: _____ / 15**

# Writing Sample

**Applicants should submit their <u>handwritten</u> writing sample along with all other materials.**
- Applicants must be sure to include their ***full name and date of submission*** on their sample.

## Writing Prompt
**In 1-2 paragraphs explain what is motivating you to join the nursing profession.**
*Be sure to include your full name on your writing sample.*

| Writing Rubric | | | |
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| **Points:** | **2.5** | **2** | **1** |
| Organization | Writing has a clear beginning, middle, and end. | Writing is fairly clear and organized. Some areas may seem to ramble or be unnecessary. | Writing is disorganized and does not answer the question. |
| Content | Explanation is clear, organized, and is easily followed. | Explanation is fairly clear; may lack details and elaboration. | Explanation is unclear. It may not be clear how the writing supports the prompt. |
| Quality | Writing is neat and fairly easy to read. Full name is printed. | Writing is mostly legible but may take time to decipher. | Writing is quite difficult to read / may be illegible. |
| Mechanics | Writing is accurate based on spelling and overall punctuation. | Writing may have some errors but no meaning is lost. | Writing contains several errors that impede meaning. |

**10 possible points**
**# of points received: _____ / 10**

**Each complete application packet will be reviewed and scored on a 100 pt scale.**

# Required Documents for a Completed Practical Nursing Application Packet

☐ Test Scores for **TEAS or HESI**   **OR**   **Proof of Degree**

☐ **TRANSCRIPTS** to support all prerequisites and suggested courses *(official or unofficial)*

☐ Documentation of **Work Experience** and/or Volunteer Experience

☐ **Reference Letter #1** from Current/Recent Supervisor

☐ **Reference Letter #2** from a colleague, former supervisor, etc.

☐ **Handwritten Writing Sample:** Motivation for wanting to join the nursing profession

☐ Complete **Resume**

☐ **Submitted Online Application for Pickens Technical College**

☐ Completed background check and drug screening
*(Drug screening includes testing for marijuana. Additional fees may be required. To be done through Castle Branch cccs.castlebranch.com.)*

*\*Please be certain that all components have been completed.*
*Missing documents will delay your application review.*

## Final Steps

➔ **Once all components have been completed, <u>submit all required documents</u> to the <u>Pickens Technical College Registration Office located in Building B</u>.**

➔ **Deadline for submitting completed applications:**
  ◆ Fall/August Entrance:     First Monday of April
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➔ Once applications have been reviewed, applicants will be notified regarding whether or not they will move forward to the interview.

➔ After interviews have been conducted, applicants will be notified by email within approximately 1 month as to whether they have been: Accepted, Waitlisted, or Declined.