



McDowell Technical Community College

ADN

Associate Degree Nursing

Fall 2024

Class of 2026

Associate Degree Education

A45110 (Associate Degree)

The Associate Degree Nursing curriculum provides knowledge, skills, and strategies to integrate safety and quality into nursing care, to practice in a dynamic environment, and to meet individual needs which impact health, quality of life, and achievement of potential.

Course work includes and builds upon the domains of healthcare, nursing practice, and the holistic individual. Content emphasizes the nurse as a member of the interdisciplinary team providing safe, individualized care while employing evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and informatics.

Graduates of this program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEXRN). Employment opportunities are vast within the global health care system and may include positions within acute, chronic, extended, industrial, and community health care facilities.

Academic Admissions and Regulations:

In addition to regular college admissions requirements and procedures, individuals interested in the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program are also subject to the following admissions requirements, procedures, and academic regulations. The ADN Program is a selective program, admitting only **24** students per year to a day section and may require evening/weekends dependent upon clinical site availability.

Admissions Information: For class entering fall **2024**, graduating spring **2026**.

- All applications must be updated annually. If you have previously applied to the Associate Degree Nursing Education program, you must re-initiate the application process. The Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) preadmission exam score will be accepted for a period of **five years**. We do not maintain a waiting list. All applicants must complete a nursing student information form. Applicants will receive this form the day of their TEAS test on the MTCC campus.
- McDowell Technical Community College (MTCC) and the Associate Degree Education (ADN) program follow a semester curriculum plan. The MTCC ADN program is approved by the North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) and the North Carolina Board of Nursing (NCBON).
- The application period for the Associate Degree Education program is **June 1, 2023 – January 16, 2024**. Items 1-8 on the list of admissions requirements must be completed during this period. All admission requirements must be met before applicants will be considered for admission to the program.
- Applicants need to be aware that upon admission to a health science program with a clinical component, the clinical agency may require a criminal background check and/or drug testing prior to participation in clinical practice experiences.

***These are completed through a compliance tracking company. The cost is approximately \$131.95. This cost is the responsibility of the student.**

McDowell Technical Community College does not guarantee that institutions with student training affiliations will accept any student for training in any clinical program. Furthermore, the inability to complete the clinical portion of the program will result in course failure and dismissal from the program.

In accordance with the NC General Statute 90-171-48 applicants for initial licensure in North Carolina must have a criminal background check. Applicants with criminal convictions may have limited licensure and employment opportunities.

***The clinical agency reserves the right to refuse someone with a criminal record the use of their facility.**

- Admitted students will be **assessed an ATI fee of approximately \$3,150.00**. This is a prescriptive learning program to help prepare for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN).

General Admission Requirements: (1-7 must be completed by **January 16, 2024**).

1. Complete the North Carolina Residency Determination Service Questionnaire requirement through RDS located on the MTCC website. Assistance is available in the Student Services Office.
2. Applicants must submit a completed admissions application available on the MTCC website or through CFNC.org. Assistance is available from the Student Services Office.
3. Students are strongly encouraged to apply for Financial Aid at www.studentaid.gov (MTCC School code: 008085), as well as MTCC Foundation Scholarships on the MTCC Financial Aid webpage. Students can contact the MTCC Financial Aid Office at Financial.Aid@go.mcdowelltech.edu or 828.652.0602/0624 with additional questions.
4. Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent. An official high school transcript or General Education Development (GED) certificate must be sent to the college. **Student copies of these items are not acceptable.**
5. Official transcripts of all previous post-secondary education must be requested by the applicant and sent directly from the forwarding institution to the college. **Student copies are not acceptable.**

The minimum required GPA is 2.5.

6. Applicants must meet with the nursing advisor to complete a “Program of Intent” application, which puts your name in the pool of applicants for the **Fall 2024** entry date. Mandatory nursing information is addressed during this meeting and every student is required to sign the form at the conclusion of the meeting. (Large mandatory meeting are no longer being held)
7. Applicants must have completed a unit of **high school Biology with a grade of “C” or above**. College substitutions for this requirement are one semester of BIO 111 or a higher-level college biology course, with a grade of “C” or above.

Pre-requisite courses are not accepted from the Adult High School Diploma unless the student is a graduate of the program.

In addition, high school or college level chemistry and math are strongly recommended.

8. Verification of completion of a North Carolina state approved *Nurse Aide I Training program* is required by **May 15, 2024**. Current *NA I listing on the NC Nurse Aide Registry*, without substantiated findings, is required for all applicants by **August 1, 2024** and must be current through the beginning of fall semester **2024**.

Acceptance status will become pending completion of Nurse Aide I on the NC Nurse Aide Registry.

Institutional Requirement: Admission to the ADN program requires the applicant to be eligible to take ENG 111 and MAT 110 without a co-requisite. **Students that need to take a co-requisite with an ENG 111 or MAT 110 are not eligible for admission.**

9. The TEAS exam dates will be provided by the, Health Science Success Coach/Pre-nursing Advisor. There is a cost for the TEAS. Applicants must score a 65 or higher to be considered for admission to the ADN program. **Scores are not rounded and are valid for a period of five years. Students who do not meet the minimum may schedule an appointment with the Student Enrichment Center or the Health Science Success Coach/Pre-nursing Advisor regarding various career and educational options available to them.**

10. Once all other admission requirements are met, applicants will be ranked using a competitive process, according to the Point Rating Tool. The top **24** ranking applicants will be admitted to the ADN program and notified with a letter of acceptance, pending receipt of the **“Student Medical Form.”** The next **6** applicants will be placed on an alternate list in order of ranking and notified accordingly. All admission rankings are confidential information.

11. All accepted applicants for admission to the ADN Program and alternates must submit a completed **Student Medical Form** by **August 1, 2024**. The medical form is available from Deb Monosso, Health Sciences Administrative Assistant. **To be considered complete, the form must include required immunization records and lab/diagnostic tests.** The examination of an applicant’s physical and emotional health is a requirement and the accepted applicant’s status is considered “pending” until this form is turned in to the Health Sciences Administrative Assistant and screened by the nursing faculty. If problematic physical or mental health conditions exist, faculty may require timely medical reports from a physician confirming that the individual is physically and mentally competent to enter the Associate Degree Nursing program.

12. Accepted applicants for admission must have or obtain an **American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) Provider CPR** certification to include Adult, Infant, and Child CPR. Courses are routinely offered through the Department of Continuing Education at MTCC. Students admitted to the program will not be allowed to begin classes without current CPR certification. **Proof of current CPR certification must be valid for two (2) years (August 2024–August 2026) and must be provided at orientation.**

13. An orientation session is scheduled for all applicants accepted for admission. The orientation date is **Friday, June 14, 2024** and will be held at **8:30 am** in the **Dogwood Building (17) in room 104. (Attendance is mandatory)****
McDowell Technical Community College does not discriminate in its admission policies and procedures on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, age, religion, or handicap. For further information, refer to the MTCC catalog section entitled “Non-Discrimination Policy.”

*****Accepted applicants who are unable to attend the orientation session due to extenuating circumstances must notify the Nursing Program Director to complete all orientation requirements before **July 1, 2024**. An accepted applicant who fails to meet orientation requirements will forfeit his or her place in the ADN program.***

14. Applicant’s will be provided clinical onboarding information at the orientation session and must complete these requirements by **August 1, 2024**. Failure to complete these clinical requirements by the deadline may prevent the student’s ability to attend clinical and lead to dismissal from the program.

Required Courses

Students may take these general/related (non-nursing) courses before acceptance into the nursing program or before the specified semester.

General Education:	PSY 150	BIO 168
	PSY 241	BIO 169
	ENG 111	BIO 175 or 275

Completion of the above courses will add points to the point tally tool used for admissions, but does not guarantee admission to the ADN Program.

Point Rating Tool

The Admission Rating Tool is used by the ADN Admission Committee to select applicants for the ADN Program. All general admission requirements must be met, including an acceptable score on the TEAS Exam, prior to use of the Point Rating Tool.

This tool was developed as an objective means of evaluating applicants. The point count criteria are divided into seven distinct areas:

- (1) Most recent cumulative overall GPA - college or high school/GED
- (2) TEAS score
- (3) TEAS Science score
- (4) TEAS Math score
- (5) TEAS English score
- (6) The following college courses completed with an "A", "B", or "C" will earn additional points BIO 168, BIO 169, ACA 122, ENG 111, PSY 150, PSY 241, and BIO 175 or BIO 275**
- (7) Resident of McDowell County – 5 points.
- (8) CNA II Registry – 6 points

**Extra points are given for specified college courses with a "C" or better, but are not required.

An applicant's admission rating is confidential information. At no time and with no exceptions will an applicant's admission rating be discussed with anyone other than the applicant. When an individual's application is complete, his or her total point count will be calculated. It is this total which will be used in the selection process to rank applicants for admission.

Please do not call to inquire about your point count. If you are accepted, you will be notified of your acceptance as outlined in "Selection Process" outlined on the next page. In the event of an identical score for ranking, TEAS science, math and English test scores will be used to differentiate tie scores.

1. First preference will be given to the applicant(s) with the highest TEAS science scores.

2. In the event of a tie in TEAS science scores, preference will be given to the applicant(s) with the highest TEAS math scores.
3. In the event of a tie in TEAS math scores, preference will be given to applicant(s) with the highest TEAS English scores.

Admission criteria are reviewed each year and are subject to change from year to year.

Graduates of the ADN Program are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-RN) which is required to practice as a Registered Nurse.

Selection Process

Deadlines

1. General admissions requirements (#'s 1-7) must be met. **January 16, 2024**
2. Written notification will be mailed to eligible students regarding dates and times to sit for the TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills). **Feb 13, 2024**
3. If notified, eligible applicants will report for the TEAS **(A fee is charged). A valid TEAS score will be accepted for a period of five years at deadline.** **Feb 26 – Mar 1, 2024**
4. Final selection for admission is based on the Point Rating Tool (see separate section) and acceptable results of the Student Medical Form.
5. Written notification of acceptance will be mailed by the Nursing Program Director and the Health Sciences Administrative Assistant **March 25, 2024**
6. Complete Health Forms must be submitted to the Health Sciences Administrative Assistant. **August 1, 2024**

Note: Dates subject to change

IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS CONTACT HEALTH SCIENCES PRE-NURSING ADVISOR AT 828-659-0495

Student Budget Expenditure

Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) *Approximate Cost* for Two Year Program (Rev 05.09.23b)

Program Cost 2024-2026

1. Tuition (70 total program hours plus activity fees).....	\$5420.00
(\$76.00/credit hour each semester and \$20.00 student activity fee, and \$5.00 student success fee per semester <i>includes all nursing classes and other required classes</i>).	
2. Books, supplies and miscellaneous fees per year (approx. costs).....	\$1861.00
(Includes student lab kits 317.00, liability insurance \$ 14.50, technology fees \$45.00, parking fees \$15.00, accident insurance \$1.30 and student ID badge \$5.00 per year)	
3. Clinical Uniforms and supplies.....	\$470.00
4. Assessment Technologies Institute (ATI) Complete Package.....	\$3,150.00
*(\$787.50 in first semester, \$787.50 in second semester, and \$787.50 in third semester and \$787.50 in fourth semester)	
5. Castlebranch-Background check, Drug Screen, and Immunization Tracker.....	\$131.95
Total Program Costs>	\$11,032.95

GRADUATION and PINNING COST

1. Cap, gown, tassel, and (10) announcements.....	\$28.00
2. Pinning Uniform, shoes, hose/socks.....	\$150.00
3. Pinning Ceremony dues.....	\$117.05
Comprised of the following costs:	
a. Lamp.....	\$21.05
b. Nursing Cap	\$15.00
c. Class photo.....	\$29.00
d. Invitations/Programs.....	\$5.00
e. Nursing Pin	\$32.00
f. Sound, Light, Music, Interpreter.....	\$12.50
g. EMMS Auditorium rental fee.....	\$2.50
4. NCLEX Fees (application to Pearson Vue).....	\$200.00
5. North Carolina Board of Nursing Fees.....	\$113.00
(Application – \$75.00 & Criminal Background Check - \$38.00)	

Total Graduation and Pinning costs.....**\$608.05**

TOTAL PROGRAM COST.....**\$11,641.00***

*(*All costs are estimated and may not reflect actual fees)*