

ILLINOIS CENTRAL COLLEGE
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Pre-Nursing Curriculum for
Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing
Peoria, Illinois

HUMANITIES (9 hrs)

Any Philosophy	3
Electives	6
One elective required in the fine arts.	
Suggested areas- philosophy, religion, music, art, theatre, history, literature.	

ENGLISH / COMMUNICATIONS (9 hrs)

COMM 110	3
ENGL 110	3
ENGL 111	3

SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (15 hrs)

PSY 110	3
SOC 110	3
PSY 202	3
PSY 220	3
Elective	3
Suggested areas- Anthropology, Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Economics.	

PHYSICAL & LIFE SCIENCES (18-19 hrs)

BIOL 205	4
BIOL 206	4
CHEM 115 or 120	4
BIOL 210	4
FCS 110 or FCS 120	2-3

Anatomy & Physiology and Chemistry must include a laboratory component.

MATHEMATICS (6 hrs)

MATH 110 or above	3
MATH 111 or MATH 211 or PSY 250	3-4

ELECTIVE

3

Student must take a 3 semester hour elective course of choice in any of the major content areas. It is recommended that anyone without any computer knowledge take a computer class to satisfy this elective.

A total of 62 semester hours are required for the prenursing curriculum. Hours may vary by institution. If hours total less than 62, an additional course(s) must be taken. Medical Terminology is suggested, however, additional hours in any of the five categories will be considered.

The College of Nursing requires students to have CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) certification for healthcare providers (adult, children, infant and AED) prior to admission to the College and recertification as required by certifying organization. The College will accept CPR Certification from either the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross. Certification must be maintained throughout the nursing program at the College.

A criminal background check will be conducted by the college prior to enrolment at the student's expense. An eleven panel drug test is also required. Please contact Saint Francis Medical Center College of Nursing to find out where the drug test is being administered.

Admission Requirements

- Evidence of graduation from a high school approved by the State Board of Education or official score report of the G.E.D.
- Completion of 62 semester hours of required pre-nursing curriculum at a regionally accredited college or university with an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.50 on a 4.0 scale.
- A 2.50 GPA for both Anatomy & Physiology courses is required. *(This requirement is waived for the RN to BSN student)*
- Required pre-nursing courses must be taken for a letter grade rather than pass/fail or credit/no credit.
- Only grades of "C" or above are accepted for transfer credit.
- A total of two courses may be repeated within the past five years. Each course may be repeated only one time.
- Courses with a grade of "D" or less taken five years or more before the date of application will be disregarded in the calculation of the admission GPA.
- Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission. Admission is competitive and usually the average GPA of the admitted class is significantly higher than the stated minimum of 2.50.

Application Process

- Completion of 30 semester hours of required courses which must include eight (8) semester hours of the required science courses. A minimum of two of the four required science courses must be completed before initial consideration for admission.
- Completed Application Form with a nonrefundable fee of \$50.00.
- Official high school transcript or an official G.E.D. score report.
- Official transcripts from all colleges and/or universities attended.
- An interview is optional at the request of either the College or the applicant.
- **The College of Nursing admits new students in both the fall and spring semesters. The application deadline for fall is September 15th one year prior. The application deadline for spring is February 15th one year prior. See upcoming projected deadlines below:**

Semester	Projected Deadlines	Selection Date
Fall 2016	Sept. 15, 2015	Oct. 30, 2015
Spring 2017	Feb. 15, 2016	March 30, 2016
Fall 2017	Sept. 15, 2016	Oct. 30, 2016
Spring 2018	Feb. 15, 2017	March 30, 2017

- During the application process and after acceptance, the applicant is responsible for submitting current college transcripts to keep the Admissions Office informed of progress with the pre-nursing course requirements. Enrollment is pending Satisfactory completion of the entire 62 semester hours of pre-nursing requirements.
- It may not be possible to offer admission to all qualified applicants because of a highly competitive applicant pool and space limitations.
- Completed applications received prior to the application deadline date may be considered for early acceptance notification.
- Selected applicants receive an official acceptance letter and an Enrollment Form which must be submitted to the Admissions Office within 4 weeks of notification of acceptance. No enrollment deposit is required.
- Applicants who are not accepted will be informed by mail and must in writing request the academic file remain active for a maximum of one year.