COLLEGE of the DESERT

Admission criteria to the ADN program is based on a multi-criteria screening and ranking as authorized by the California Community College Chancellor's office and the California Board of Registered Nursing. Applicants must meet all program eligibility requirements before being considered for multiple criteria. Students earn points according to the criteria below. Applicants with the highest points are offered seats to the ADN program. **All documentation/verification must be uploaded with application by the application deadline.**

CRITERIA	EXAMPLE OF POSSIBLE POINT DISTRIBUTION	MAXIMUM CATEGORY POINT
1. Grade Point Average in relevant course work. Students can earn points for both sections A and B. Courses in section B are not required for program eligibility but are general education (GE) requirements for degree. Courses may only be used once throughout the entire application and cannot be counted toward multiple requirements. **Additional Resources:** • Registered Nursing AS Degree Requirements	A. **Minimum 2.5 GPA in Anatomy, Physiology, and Microbiology.** Courses must be completed within the last 10 years. May repeat two science courses within the past seven (7) years. On-line labs are currently accepted. *GPA less than 2.5 not eligible for consideration.* GPA = 4.0 or > 15 points GPA = 3.50 – 3.99 10 points GPA = 3.00 – 3.49 5 points GPA = 2.50 – 2.99 0 points B. **"Fixed Set" GPA calculated upon completion of ALL of the seven (7) following courses, prior to application:** GPA = 4.0 or > 15 points GPA = 3.50 – 3.99 10 points GPA = 3.00 – 3.49 5 points GPA = 2.50 – 2.99 0 points GPA = 2.00 – 2.49 0 points 1. ENGL C1000 – *Academic Reading and Writing* **or** ENGL C1000E – *Academic Reading and Writing Support* **or** equivalent course with a research component 2. PSYC C1000 - *General Psychology* **or** PSY 003 - *Developmental Psychology* **or** equivalent (3 unit minimum) 3. COMM C1000 – *Public Speaking* **or** COMM 009 – *Intro to Interpersonal Communication* **or** COMM 013 – *Small Group Communications* **or** COMM 017 - *Intercultural Communication* **or** equivalent (3 unit minimum) 4. SOC 003 - *Fundamentals of Statistics* or STAT C1000 - *Introduction to Statistics* (3 unit minimum) 5. COD GE Area A3: Arts Humanities and Culture (3 unit minimum) 6. COD GE Area A6: Ethic Studies (3 unit minimum) 7. COD GE Area A7: Personal Growth and Development, Health, Activity and Wellness (2 unit minimum)	30 Points

2. Completion of N-057	Completion of N-057: Transition to Registered Nursing
	    Final Grade = 90-100% 15 points
	    Final Grade = 80-89% 5 points
		15 points

3. Academic degrees or diplomas, or relevant certificates held by an applicant.
 	
Recent work or volunteer experience with direct human patient care within the past 5 years. Must have verification from human resources or employer verifying the number of hours worked and job title.
	A. LVN, Respiratory Therapist, Physical Therapist, Paramedic (all with work experience ≥ 1000 hours) = 15 points
	    a. Verification via copy of certificate or license AND paystubs or letter from employer verifying 1000 hours within the past 5 years
	B. BS/BA/MS/MA = 10 points (Only highest degree considered)
	    a. Academic degrees Bachelor's degree and higher. Official Transcripts must be on file with A&R
	C. EMT, CNA, military healthcare provider (Medic, Corpsman, etc.) (≥ 500 hours) = 5 points
	    a. Verification via copy of certificate or license AND paystubs or letter from employer verifying 500 hours within the past 5 years
	D. Graduate from a high school health academy in the Coachella Valley = 10 points
	    a. Verification via copy of certificate or official transcripts verifying academy completion
	E. Relevant health care work or volunteer experience in a healthcare setting in which the RN is employed and doing direct patient care. (≥200 hours within past 5 years) = 3 points
	    a. Verification via letter verifying >200 hours within the past 5 years
		25 Points

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4.Veteran	Provide documentation (DD214)	5 Points

5.Life experience or special circumstances of an applicant, including, but not necessarily limited to the following:
 1. Disabilities
 2. Financial Need
 3. First generation of family to attend college
 4. Worked during prerequisite courses
 5. Disadvantaged environment
 6. Difficult circumstances
 7. Refugee
	You may select **one** of these life experiences circumstances to earn 5 points.
	
	 1. Documentation of disability.
	    a. Verification via transcript or DSPS accommodations form
	 2. Documentation of financial need
	    a. Copy of financial award letter, documented eligibility of Cal/Works, EOPS, Notice of Action letter from CA Dept of Social Services, or CalFresh/SNAP verification
	 3. First generation college student
	    a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement
	 4. Documentation of employment during prerequisite courses work
	    a. Letter from employer verifying employment history dates or copy of paystubs reflecting dates of employment during prerequisite course work
	 5. Disadvantaged environment
	    a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement
	 6. Difficult circumstances
	    a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement
	 7. Refugee
	    a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement
		5 Points

6. Languages Documented proficiency or advanced level of coursework in languages other than English. Credit for languages other than English shall be received for languages that are identified by the Chancellor's Office.	Ability to communicate in a health care setting in a language in addition to English: A. Spanish = 5 Points B. American Sign Language, Tagalog, Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, Russian, various languages of Indian Subcontinent and S.E. Asia or other languages = 3 points Verification via 250-500 word personal statement including the following: 1. How the applicant became fluent in other languages 2. In what situations has the applicant utilizes other languages 3. How often applicant utilizes other languages 4. How comfortable applicant would be speaking in other language utilizing medical terms in a healthcare setting	5 Points
7. Assessment/readiness test results (TEAS) Please provide a copy of your initial results with your application. **Please wait to submit the official copy until you receive a verification request from ATI. Uploaded scores will remain unofficial until verified through ATI.**	Points are given for composite score **on FIRST ATTEMPT** of Test of Essential Academic Skills **(TEAS Version 7)**. Scores from subsequent tests will not be counted. 90 – 100% = 15 points 80 – 89% = 10 points 70-79% = 5 points 62 – 69% = 2 points < 62% = 0 points Ineligible for acceptance	15 points
8.Completion of Nursing support courses or equivalent Course completed with a grade of: (A) 90-100% = 2 points a course (B) 80-89% = 1 point a course	A. HS 061 – Medical Terminology B. HS 065 – Basic Pharmacology C. HS 067 – Introduction to Med/Dosage Calculations D. HS 071 – Strategies for Success/Nursing Program E. HS 080 – Electrocardiogram (ECG) Interpretation F. HS 013 – General Nutrition G. BUMA 032 – Human Relations in the Workplace	9 points
9.Completion of transfer prep courses Course completed with a grade of: (A) 90-100% = 3 points a course (B) 80-89% = 2 points a course California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)	Courses may only be used once throughout the entire application and cannot be counted toward multiple requirements. A. *Cal-GETC Area 1B: Critical Thinking – COMM 025 – *Argumentation and Debate* **or** ENG 002 *Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking through Literature* **or** PHIL 010- *General Logic* **or** SOC 004 – *Sociological Analysis & Critical Thinking* B. *Cal-GETC Area 3: Arts & Humanities C. *Cal-GETC Area 4: Social & Behavior Science	6 points
10. College of the Desert Student	Students who have completed 12 units at College of the Desert = 10 pts a) Verification via student records, transcripts not required	10 points
		125 points maximum

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