St. Cloud Technical & Community College
Associate Degree in Nursing (A.D.N.) Program

Prospective Student - Information Packet

Welcome!
Health programs have specific requirements for students to complete.

Applicants must be a LPN to apply to the program. If not, please visit Practical Nursing information.

This material is to help guide you through the process from beginning to graduating from your intended health major.

Staff and faculty are here to assist with your educational journey and look forward to seeing you on campus!

Associate Degree Nursing (A.D.N.) Program Description

The A.D.N. program is designed for graduates from Practical Nursing programs (LPN). It is a full-time, 2-semester program.

- A.D.N. program begins each fall semester
- 50 students are accepted each fall semester
- 2 semesters: fall, spring

Supervised clinical experience is provided in hospitals and rural and community hospital settings, specialized dementia care facilities, and ambulatory clinics.

Graduates are eligible to transfer to BSN/BAN programs in the MNState system as part of the MNState Nursing Articulation Agreement.

Nursing (A.D.N.) Careers
Potential employers include Hospitals, Clinics, Long Term Care Facilities, Assisted Living, Hospice, Veterans Health Care System, Correctional Facilities

- The three-year placement rate for the A.D.N. program is 100%.
- The average Central MN hourly salary range is $37.00 per hour.
**Associate Degree Nursing Program Admissions Process – 1st Steps**

**First application**
- Complete SCTCC online application found at [http://www.sctcc.edu/application](http://www.sctcc.edu/application)
- Apply as a Pre-A.D.N. / AA degree student
- Pay $20.00 application fee
- Submit high school / college transcripts
  - MN State college transcripts are available to SCTCC once student applies.
  - Official college transcripts are required from University of MN and all private colleges.

Students returning to St. Cloud Technical & Community College (SCTCC) will contact Admissions office to re-open and update student file.

Admissions Office: 320-308-5089 ● Email: enroll@sctcc.edu

**If Transferring to SCTCC**

If you have previously earned credits and want to know if they will transfer to meet the program pre-requisites, please apply to SCTCC as a Pre-A.D.N. student (see steps above) so the Registration Office can review your transcript(s).

Check [http://www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com) for unofficial course equivalency information.

**e-orientation**

Applicants that are fully accepted to SCTCC will be notified by the Admissions office about when and how to complete e-orientation and meet with an academic advisor.

- **Students starting Fall Semester:** e-orientation and advisor appointments begin in April.
- **Students starting Spring Semester:** e-orientation and advisor appointments begin in November.
- **Students starting Summer Semester:** e-orientation and advisor appointments begin in February.

**Academic Advising Center - Current Student / Advisor Meetings**

Current students are required to meet with an advisor at least once a semester to receive a registration access code and review their academic plan.

We encourage students to visit more often with any questions or concerns they may have.

We are here to align you with resources that are available and help guide you through your educational journey at SCTCC!

**Definition of a Current Student** is one that has:
- Completed the Admissions process and fully accepted to SCTCC AND
- Completed e-orientation and scheduled an initial appointment with an academic advisor OR
- Currently registered for classes at SCTCC as a current, accepted student.

Academic Advising Center: 320-308-5741 ● Email: advising@sctcc.edu
Nursing (A.D.N.) Program Requirements

• Students MUST be a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) to apply to the program.

• A minimum grade of “C” or better AND a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above in pre-requisite coursework is required to be considered for admission and MUST be maintained in the program.

• Students can apply to the program with pre-requisites in-progress, MUST be complete prior to the start of the program.

• When applying to the program, applicants must be in Good Academic Standing at SCTCC (not on warning or probation - cumulative GPA 2.0 & cumulative completion rate of 67%).

General Education pre-requisites include:

BLGY 2310 Human Anatomy/Physiology I (Prereq is BLGY 1351) 4 credit
BLGY 2320 Human Anatomy/Physiology II (Prereq is BLGY 2310) 4 credit
BLGY 2330 Microbiology (Prereq is BLGY 1351) 4 credit
CMST 2310 Interpersonal Communication OR
CMST 1320 Introduction to Communication Studies 3 credit
ENGL 1302 Analytical Writing 4 credit
PHIL 1320 Ethics 3 credit
PSYC 1304 Life Span Developmental Psychology 3 credit
BLGY 1325 Nutrition 3 credit
GERO 1300 Gerontology 3 credit

Credit Awarded for completion of PN Program
(Highest grades will be transferred in to the A.D.N. program) 9 credit
**Nursing (A.D.N.) Program application (2nd application):**
Applicant MUST be a *Current Student* (applied and accepted to SCTCC).

Students can apply to the program with pre-requisites in progress, MUST be complete prior to the start of the program. Priority will be given to students with all pre-requisites complete at the time of application.

Applicants must be in *Good Academic Standing* at SCTCC. (cumulative GPA of 2.0 and cumulative completion rate of 67%).

Students who are on academic warning or probation will only be considered through an appeals process.

- The A.D.N. application is open December 1st through February 1st
- Application is found at [http://www.sctcc.edu/nursing-adn-application](http://www.sctcc.edu/nursing-adn-application)

The A.D.N. program is highly competitive and the college may not be able to accept all applicants that meet the minimum admission standards.

### Historical Applicant Data - A.D.N. Program
(Previous years – Student Data)

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*All pre-requisites complete with a GPA of 3.0 or higher*
**Program FAQs – Associate Degree Nursing (A.D.N.) Mobility**

**Can I apply directly to the A.D.N. program?**
Students MUST be a *Current Student* (applied and accepted to SCTCC).

**Can I apply to the program without all of the pre-requisites complete?**
Students can apply with pre-requisites in-progress, MUST be complete prior to the start of the program. Priority will be given to students with all pre-requisites complete at the time of application.

**Can I re-take a pre-requisite course to improve my GPA?**
Each pre-requisite course may be re-taken 1 time. Please check with an advisor before re-taking classes. Students may not receive Financial Aid for the re-take course.

**What does Nursing “Mobility” program mean?**
Nursing Mobility is a rigorous program designed for LPNs who aspire to pursue an Associate Degree in Nursing to become a registered nurse (RN).

**When does the A.D.N. program start?**
The A.D.N. program is a 2-semester program that begins each Fall Semester.

**How many students are accepted?**
50 students are accepted each fall semester.

**Can I attend Part-Time?**
The A.D.N. program is a *full-time* program only. Classes Monday -Thursday

**Does my PN License have to be from the State of MN?**
There is no additional testing because it is a national exam, but will need to pay the fee for licensure in MN. Students must be licensed by the State of MN to be employed in MN.

**When can I apply to the program?**
The A.D.N. application window is open December 1st through February 1st and can be found at [http://www.sctcc.edu/nursing-adn-application](http://www.sctcc.edu/nursing-adn-application)

**Once accepted to the program, what is the schedule like?**
Classes are scheduled Monday through Thursday.

Clinical sites include: The majority of clinical days are at St. Cloud Hospital. Other sites are CentraCare-Long Prairie, CentraCare-Melrose, CentraCare-Sauk Centre, First Light-Mora and Quiet Oaks Hospice. The rural sites are 2 clinical days. The furthest travel time from SCTCC about 50 miles.

**Is the A.D.N. program accredited?**
St. Cloud Technical & Community College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. The St. Cloud Technical & Community College is pursuing pre-accreditation candidacy status from the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (NLN CNEA), located at 2600 Virginia Avenue, NW, 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20037; phone 202-909-2500.
FAQs - Nursing TEAS Examination

When can I sign up to take the TEAS exam?
Beginning October 2020, ATI TEAS testing will be available year-round in the SCTCC Testing Center. Applicants may take the test up to 3 times per year but wait 2-3 weeks between retakes. Budget 4 hours for each test attempt. Accomodations are available for those who qualify.

Can I take the TEAS exam can I take it closer to my home?
Students can take the TEAS at a different location but scores MUST be submitted by the deadline of the last TEAS exam offered at SCTCC. NOTE: ATI charges a fee to students who request their score be sent to a college.

Is there an expiration date of my TEAS exam?
No, there is no expiration date.

How many times can I take the TEAS exam?
Applicants may take the test up to 3 times per year but wait 2-3 weeks between retakes. Budget 4 hours for each test attempt. Accomodations are available for those who qualify.

What is the minimum score accepted for the TEAS exam?
- TEAS exam results of 52.0 or higher will be acceptable for the PN program.
- TEAS exam results of 56.0 or higher will be acceptable for the ADN program.
(Please review the program Historical Data to view past scores of accepted students).

What if I already took the TEAS exam?
Students have the option to submit a previous TEAS Exam score if they have already completed the TEAS Exam. The applicant can use that score with their application, or choose to retake the TEAS Exam when it is offered at our college along with submitting a previous score (the higher of the two will be considered).

What is covered and format of the TEAS exam?
The TEAS exam is comprised of 170 questions set up in multiple choice format with four-option answers. Questions are designed to test the basic academic skills you will need to perform in class in the 4 areas of:
- Reading (53 questions/64 minutes)
- Math (36 questions/54 minutes)
- Science (53 questions/63 minutes)
- English and Language Usage (28 questions/28 minutes)
Total of 209 minutes (3 hours 48 minutes)

When will I know the results of the TEAS exam?
Upon completion of the TEAS exam, your test will be scored immediately, allowing you to view your TEAS score report at that time.

How can I study for the TEAS exam?
- Purchase study materials – Amazon, Barnes & Noble are just a few options
- Visit the ATI website for free practice exams
- Supplemental study material: Download the FREE ATI Teas app!
Checklist to Acceptance

Health Programs at St. Cloud Technical & Community College
(For Students Currently Enrolled at SCTCC)

Cardiovascular Technology • Dental Assistant • Dental Hygienist • Paramedicine
Practical Nursing • Nursing (A.D.N.) • Sonography • Surgical Technology

☑ Register for pre-requisite courses for intended health major
(each semester you and an advisor will review your academic plan).

Earn a high GPA to be considered for health majors.

☑ Apply to the health major when requirements have been met
and the program application window is open.

For details, please refer back to the Packet Information.

Visit SCTCC! – Associate Degree Nursing (A.D.N.) Information Session

Thank you for your interest in the A.D.N. (2-year R.N.) program at SCTCC!
We invite you to sign up for a Nursing Information Session to learn more about
the program.  https://www.sctcc.edu/infosessions/HEALTH

After reviewing this information, if you need further assistance, please contact:

Admissions Office 320-308-5089 enroll@sctcc.edu
Academic Advising Center 320-308-5741 advising@sctcc.edu