Program Information

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:
This degree program focuses on the wellness of self and others; technical nursing skills across the life span in both acute care facilities and the community (home) environment; critical care concepts; and professional development. Upon graduation, the student is awarded an Associate of Science degree and is eligible to take the National Council Licensing Exam (NCLEX) to become a Registered Nurse (RN).

Program BEGINS: January 5, 2020

PROGRAM LENGTH:
- **Full-time**
  - January 2020 – December 2021
  - 42 Nursing College Credits
  - 4 Nursing Semesters (excluding college observed holidays)

- **Evening/Weekend**
  - January 2020 – August 2022
  - 42 Nursing College Credits
  - 8 Nursing Semesters (including summer)

PROGRAM LOCATIONS:
Lake Worth classes and labs will be held at – 4200 Congress Avenue, Lake Worth, FL
Belle Glade classes and labs will be held at - 1977 College Drive, Belle Glade, FL.
Clinical sites are in Palm Beach County ONLY

WHAT ARE THE COSTS OF THE PROGRAM?
These costs are approximate and subject to change. Registration fees are **not** due upon acceptance into the program. Registration fees are due upon registration for each individual course on a specified date.

In-State student tuition for a Florida resident is $101.00 per credit hour. Out of State student tuition or (Non-Florida resident) is $363.00 per credit hour.

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**Financial Aid** is available for this program and it is recommended that you apply early. You can apply online at [www.palmbeachstate.edu/FinancialAid](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/FinancialAid)
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The following criteria must be met for selection pool eligibility. Meeting the minimum criteria for selection does not guarantee admission to the Nursing program. A point system is utilized for selection. There is no minimum point requirement. The more points an applicant earns the greater the chances of acceptance. If a student is selected and does not enter the program, or is not selected, the student must reapply and is not guaranteed acceptance in any subsequent selection process.

Your Palm Beach State student e-mail account will be used for all communication regarding your admissions status.

****ALL TRANSCRIPTS, TEST SCORES, COURSE RE-EVALUATION APPEALS, AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2019 APPLICATION DEADLINE! ****

APPLICATION

First-time Palm Beach State College Students: Submit a completed Palm Beach State College general credit application at www.palmbeachstate.edu/admissions/Admissions Applications and pay the appropriate fee by the deadline date. New students will be assessed a $40 nonrefundable fee. International (F-1/M-1) students will be assessed a $75 nonrefundable application fee. Be sure to insert your current and active email address where requested. Be specific regarding your program of study. Once submitted, a confirmation page with conditions of admission will be sent to the e-mail address provided in the college application. Print the confirmation page and follow the instructions within. Applicants must also submit the program application contained in this packet and submit to the Admissions office. In addition to the college application fee, the student will also need to submit a receipt in the amount of $20 for the Registered Nurse application fee. The student can pay this application fee at any one of the four Palm Beach State College Cashier's Offices.

Non-first-time Palm Beach State College Students: Must complete the program application in this packet and submit to the Admissions office.

ACADEMIC HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED

Official transcripts proving a standard high school diploma, GED, or validated foreign equivalent must be submitted directly to Palm Beach State College. Transcripts are considered official if sent directly to the College’s Admissions Office from the previous institution or hand-delivered in an envelope sealed by the issuing institution. Instructions regarding transcript submission can be found on the College’s website www.palmbeachstate.edu/admissions/Transcript Request. The high school transcript may be waived for admissions purposes if a student has earned an Associate, Bachelor or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution. Proof of high school competition is still required for degree completion.

COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS

Official college transcripts must be submitted directly from the previous institution to the Palm Beach State College Admissions Office. Transcripts are considered official if sent directly to Palm Beach State College from the previous institution or hand-delivered in an envelope sealed by the issuing institution. Faxed copies are not accepted. All post-secondary transcripts must be submitted. Credit by examination (i.e. AICE, AP) must be submitted from the administering organization. Coursework will not be accepted from 3rd party transcripts. You may download the transcript request form from our website at www.palmbeachstate.edu/Admissions.

ALL out of country postsecondary transcripts/credentials require the submission of a commercial foreign credential evaluation (course by course). The postsecondary transcript evaluation is required and must be sent from an approved evaluating company directly to Palm Beach State College. Information for approved foreign credentials evaluators is available at www.palmbeachstate.edu/International or page 14 (section 3) of the College Catalog: www.palmbeachstate.edu/Catalog.

a) It is the student’s responsibility to ensure ALL postsecondary transcripts and test scores received are complete and CURRENT, meaning all possible up-to-date grades prior to the deadline have been posted

b) A course re-evaluation appeals must be submitted for transfer coursework that does not directly satisfy program requirements prior to the SEPTEMBER 13, 2019 DEADLINE. The appeal and supporting documentation should be submitted to the Office of the College Registrar; in person at the admission counter of any campus or via email at transcriptevaluation@palmbeachstate.edu. The Appeal form may be found using the following link: www.palmbeachstate.edu/admissions/Documents/CourseReEvaluation.
GRADE POINT AVERAGE
Students must have an overall cumulative G.P.A. of 2.50 or higher for all undergraduate work to qualify for admissions into the RN Program.

MANDATORY INFORMATION SESSION
The RN information session is available online via the RN Homepage. Applicants must view the Nursing Information Session and complete quiz with 100%. The quiz result must be printed and submitted with the program application. Contact the Nursing Office (561) 868-3412 or any campus Admissions Advisor with questions concerning the Electronic Information Session.

For this application, the student should view the Electronic Information Session between January 31, 2019 through September 13, 2019.

REQUIRED PREREQUISITE COURSES

CHEMISTRY
Submit documentation of one semester of college Chemistry (CHM 1032) completed within 10 years of the application deadline with a grade of C or higher to the Admissions Office.

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY 1 LECTURE and LAB
Submit documentation of college-level Anatomy and Physiology 1 lecture and lab (BSC 2085 and BSC 2085L or equivalent lecture and lab) with a grade of “C” or higher in both areas completed within 10 years of the application deadline. If a student has successfully completed Anatomy & Physiology 2 with Lab with a “C” or higher within the last 10 years of the application deadline, the 10-year rule for Anatomy & Physiology 1 is waived.

HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OR DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
Submit documentation of successful completion of Human Growth/Development (DEP2004 or equivalent) with a grade of C or higher.

HESI RN ADMISSION ASSESSMENT EXAM

a) CUMULATIVE SCORE REQUIREMENT: A minimum overall score of 80% or higher is required on this examination for direct inclusion into the applicant pool. A score of less than 80% on this examination will prohibit entrance for the application period. Nine sections are required for direct inclusion into the application pool: 1) Reading Comprehension, 2) Grammar, 3) Vocabulary and General Knowledge, 4) Biology, 5) Chemistry, 6) Anatomy & Physiology, 7) Math, 8) Learning Style Inventory and 9) Personality Traits Profile.

b) MATH SCORE REQUIREMENT: A minimum score of 80% or higher is required for application consideration.

Review materials are available in the College’s library and the Student Learning Center (SLC) Math and Computer Labs. Testing arrangements can be made through the College Testing Center. Testing information is available on the College’s website www.palmbeachstate.edu/testing/Test Information. A $72.00 non-refundable fee is required to register for the entire HESI A2 Exam or just the Math Section.

Applicants may retake the HESI Exam once every sixty-one days, but only three times in a calendar year (January 1-December 31). Test scores are valid for two years, and the best cumulative score available is used when awarding points.

ACCEPTANCE/REGISTRATION
Applicants who are selected will be notified approximately 3-4 weeks after the deadline date. The acceptance notice will include registration information:

(1) Registration information
(2) Medical exam form
(3) Criminal Background Check including Fingerprints
(4) Drug screening form
(5) Date of orientation
(6) Required AHA CPR Certification

Once a student is CONDITIONALLY ACCEPTED by the Limited Access Office, the student is then responsible for submitting a CLEAR CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND, DRUG SCREENING AND ACCEPTABLE MEDICAL EXAM to the nursing department by the specified deadline in the acceptance packet. All background checks, testing, screenings, and CPR certifications will be at the students’ expense. Failure to provide such documentation will result in a mandatory withdrawal from the RN program.
International students that are accepted to the program will be required to maintain full-time academic status (12 semester hours) in the Fall and Spring terms. This will exceed the number of credits required for enrollment in the nursing program. Please see the College Catalog for additional information. [www.palmbeachstate.edu/Catalog](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/Catalog).

**WITHDRAWAL/PROGRAM DISMISSAL**

Applicants who have been dismissed or failed out of the Palm Beach State College Nursing program or a nursing program at another institution are required to obtain a Practical Nursing (LPN) license in order to accepted into the RN Program.

If the student withdraws from the first semester of the Nursing Program, they MUST contact the Nursing Program Specialist for instructions on how to re-enter the RN Program.

## ADMISSION POINT SYSTEM

Once all general admission criteria have been satisfied, a point system is utilized for selection of students to the program. In the event of a tie, the highest HESI score will be used.

### COLLEGE EDUCATION

Credits earned from a regionally accredited institution at the college level (one area only)

- Up to 29 college credits .................................................................................................................. 1
- 30 or more college credits or AS or AA degree ................................................................................. 2
- Palm Beach State College Allied Health, EMT or Paramedic Program Completer ......................... 3
- Bachelor’s degree ............................................................................................................................... 4
- Master’s degree or higher.................................................................................................................... 5

### NURSING CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS

Points are NOT awarded for program prerequisites or courses in progress. All courses must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher for application consideration. Chemistry, Anatomy & Physiology 2 lecture and lab as well as Microbiology lecture and lab must be completed within ten years of the application deadline.

Courses expire at the beginning of the Palm Beach State College academic term.

- Anatomy and Physiology 2 Lecture and Lab (BSC2086/BSC2086L) ................................................. 3
- Microbiology Lecture and Lab (MCB2010/MCB2010L) ..................................................................... 3
- Statistics (STA 2023) ......................................................................................................................... 1
- College Composition 1 (ENC1101) ................................................................................................. 1
- Humanities Elective (3 credits minimum) ......................................................................................... 1
- General Psychology (PSY2012) ....................................................................................................... 1
- Critical Thinking in Nursing (NUR 1024) ......................................................................................... 1

### HESI RN ADMISSION ASSESSMENT EXAM – First three HESI score digits used.

Rounding of the last digit in HESI Score is NOT factored into points awarded.

Decimal Point is moved one space to the left to award points. (Maximum 10 points)

- HESI score 80.15% – Student receives 8.01 points
- HESI Score 85.80% – Student receives 8.58 points
- HESI Score 92.04% – Student receives 9.20 points
- HESI Score 95.68% – Student receives 9.56 points
- HESI Score 100% – Student receives 10.0 points

### CUMULATIVE GPA

Points given equal to the cumulative GPA (undergraduate credit only – 2.5 minimum) ................. 2.5-4

### U.S. VETERANS

The applicant must submit a copy of the DD214 with honorable discharge or honorable conditions.

### MAXIMUM POINTS POSSIBLE

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PLACE AN “X” IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- FULL TIME – BELLE GLADE (January 2019)
- FULL TIME – LAKE WORTH (January 2019)
- PART-TIME – LAKE WORTH (January 2019)

Note: Only one box may be marked.

Please Type or Print Clearly

1. Palm Beach State College Student ID ____________ (not Social Security)

2. NAME

LAST
FIRST
MIDDLE
SUFFIX

Please list all previous names under which documents may be submitted:

3. LOCAL ADDRESS

NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS

CITY

COUNTY (or PROVINCE)

STATE

ZIP CODE

4. DATE OF BIRTH _____-____-_____

5. PBSC E-MAIL _____________________________@my.palmbeachstate.edu

6. HOME TELEPHONE ( )__________________

7. CELL PHONE ( )_____________________

8. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE? □ Yes □ No or GED? □ Yes □ No

9. COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

List all postsecondary colleges or universities you have attended. Attach a separate page for additional institutions. Omissions will constitute falsification of records and voids application.

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Credit by examination (i.e. AICE, AP, IB) must be submitted from the administering organization.

10. Are you an International Student (F-1/M-1 visa)? □ Yes □ No

If accepted, International Students will be required to enroll in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.

11. Have you ever been dismissed or been unsuccessful (failed out) in a Registered Nursing program? □ Yes □ No

If yes, have you completed an accredited Practical Nursing program and are licensed? □ Yes □ No

12. Have you achieved a score of 80% or higher on the Math portion of the HESI? □ Yes □ No

13. Have you achieved an overall cumulative HESI score of 80% or higher? □ Yes □ No

(ALL nine sections must be included.)
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- Bachelor’s degree □
- Master’s degree or higher □

16. Have you served as a member of the U.S. Military and received an honorable discharge? □ Yes □ No

If yes, please provide a copy of your DD214 honorable discharge with your application to receive points.

17. Cumulative Semester Hours Credits Earned: __________

18. Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): __________

Please initial below:

_____ I have attached the 100% quiz results of the “Electronic Nursing Information Session” presented by the Nursing Office within the dates specified.

_____ I understand that falsification or omission of any information may result in my dismissal or rejection from the College.

_____ I have read and understand all the instructions pertaining to the RN program as explained in the RN application packet.

_______________________________________________________ SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

___________________________________ DATE