Length of Program
This program requires approximately
5 semesters of study to complete.

Progression in the Program
Progress in the Nursing Program is
contingent upon achievement of a grade
of "C" or better in each general education
and nursing course and maintenance of a
2.0 CGPA (on a 4.0 scale).

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
The fee schedule is published in the
KCTCS catalog or in the class schedule
each semester. In addition to tuition and
fees, nursing students are responsible for
transportation to the various health
agencies, liability insurance, books, and
uniforms. Financial assistance through
scholarships, grants, loans, and work-study
program is available, if a student is
eligible. Applicants must apply for
financial aid by completing the Free
Application for Federal Student Aid
(FAFSA).

For further information, contact the
Financial Aid Office at (270) 831-9628
or toll free (800) 696-9958 in many
western Kentucky counties.

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In the fall of 1960, the Northwest Extension
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Union, and Webster County residents.
In 1964, the Northwest Extension became
Henderson Community College (HCC),
a charter member of the University of
Kentucky Community College System.
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member of the Kentucky Community and
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Henderson Community College
is accredited by the
Southern Association of Colleges
and Schools Commission on Colleges
or SACSCOC. 1866 Southern Lane,
Decatur, Georgia 30003, or call
(404) 679-4501, for questions about
the accreditation of
Henderson Community College.

*For information about the
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The Practical Nursing program prepares individuals to practice within the legal scope of practical nursing under the supervision of a registered nurse or physician. Use of the nursing process at the practical nursing level is toward the maintenance of health and prevention of illness, the observation and nursing care of persons experiencing changes in their health and the evaluation of patient health practices.

Classroom instruction in theory and basic nursing skills is provided on campus. Under the guidance of program faculty, students gain valuable experience in the care of clients of all ages in a variety of health care settings.

Graduates are awarded a Diploma upon completion of the curriculum and are eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses. (The Kentucky Board of Nursing investigates all prior legal convictions to determine if graduates will be allowed to take NCLEX-PN.)

Graduates from the PN program may qualify to articulate into the Associate Degree Nursing program by receiving credit for the first nine hour nursing course. Additional articulation credit is given upon completion of the NSG 197, Traditional to ADN course allowing graduates to enter final year of the program.

Application Procedure
Applicants must meet the following admission criteria prior to March 1 for consideration for the Fall Semester or July 1 for consideration for the Spring Semester. Please check with us for our future admission dates.

- Attend a scheduled Pre-Admission Conference* within the last 2 years
- Complete a Personal Data Form (completed at the Pre-Admission Conference)
- Submit the following to the college admissions office:
  1. current application to the college
  2. TEAS Test Score (must score at least Proficient)
  3. all post-high school transcripts
  4. ACT or SAT scores

* Pre-Admission Conferences
Dates for the conferences will be the first Wednesday in September and November and the third Wednesday in January, February, May, and June at 4:00 PM and lasts for one hour. The conference will be held on the Henderson Community College campus. To request additional conference dates call 270-831-9740.

Consideration Process
In addition to the application procedures listed, the process to be considered for the Nursing Program is as follows:

- Complete all applications prior to the deadline.
- Receive and return "Letter of Inquiry."
- Receive notification regarding admission status.
- If accepted, return "Letter of Acceptance/Rejection

Applicants will be notified either in writing and/or via email of admission to the Nursing Program.

Admission
Preference may be given to applicants with the following credentials:

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 in 12 or more hours of college work
- Composite score of 18 or above on the ACT or equivalent on the SAT
- Compass scores (or ACT) must reflect no need for developmental classes.

Kentucky residents or students residing within the Henderson Community College Service area will be given preference.

Immediate Admission
Immediate consideration to the Associate Degree Nursing program will be considered for qualified applicants. Qualified applicants who have met the necessary requirements outlined in the Henderson Community College AD Nursing brochure and who have a cumulative score of 65 on the HCC AD Nursing Selective Admission Point System may be considered. Copies of the Selective Admission Point System are given to attendees at the Pre-Admission Conference.

All required documents must be current in the HCC Admissions & Records Office before the immediate admission status can be determined. Applicants will be notified either in writing or email of admission to the Nursing Program.

Additional Requirements
The following will be required after admission to the program:

- Successful completion of a Medicaid Nurse Aide equivalent course within the past (3) years or proof of active status on the Medicaid Nurse Aide Registry.
- Documentation of digital/computer literacy. This may be through a course of study or challenge exam.
- Indiana and Kentucky Criminal Checks
- Hepatitis and Tetanus Immunizations
- AHA BLS Healthcare Provider CPR Certification
- The following laboratory tests: 2-Step TB Skin Test*, Drug Screen (will be done on campus), Pertussis, Rubella and Rubeola Titer. Proof of immunity to Chickenpox (Varicella) reactive titer, documented history of having had Varicella and the year in which you had it or receive Varivax immunization.

The Varicella Rubella and Rubeola Titer may be waived if documentation can be provided of receipt of the MMR Series.

*(*Must be no older than one year.)*

Curriculum
This is a sample curriculum and may be subject to change. Courses listed for each semester must be taken prior to or with the nursing course designated for that semester. Most nursing courses will be offered in the evenings or on weekends.

**Credit Hours
Semester I

PSY 110	General Psychology	3
BIO 137	Anatomy & Physiology I	4
Subtotal		**7**

Semester II

BIO 139	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4
AHS 115 or CLA 131	Med. Terminology	3
NPN 101	Fundamentals of Nursing	6
NPN 111	Pharmacology in Nursing	3
Subtotal		**16**

Semester III

PSY 223	Developmental Psychology	3
NPN 125	Mental Health	3
NPN 135	Introduction to Health Deviation	6
NPN 201	Childbearing Family	3
Subtotal		**15**

Semester IV

ENG 101	Writing I **OR**	3
COM 252	Interpersonal Communication **OR**	
COM 181	Basic Public Speaking	
Subtotal		**3**

Semester V

NPN 202	Med-Surg Alterations I	6
NPN 206	Med-Surg Alterations II	6
NPN 210	Practicum	4
NPN 215	Nursing Trends & Issues	1
Subtotal		**17**

Total Credits   **58**

** *Transfer courses from other institutions will be evaluated for equivalency*