

**Kankakee Community College**  
**Information on Health Career Programs**  
**application for programs starting 2021-2022**

Kankakee Community College's Health Career programs use a competitive application process. There are limits to the number of students who can enter each program annually. Therefore, admission to KCC does not mean acceptance into a Health Career Program. This form introduces important dates, deadlines, records, residency and academic requirements. For more information on specific program eligibility requirements and HESI A2 testing information, please visit the Health Careers Website:

[kcc.edu/HCApplly](http://kcc.edu/HCApplly)

**Steps to Apply:**

- 1. Complete record and academic eligibility requirements.**
- 2. Contact a health career advisor to complete program application and get clearance to take the HESI A2.**
- 3. Take the HESI A2 exam by the program deadline date below.**

<b>Program</b>	<b>HESI A2 Testing Deadline</b>	<b>Emails Sent the Week of</b>	<b>Mandatory Orientation</b>	<b>Program Start</b>
<b>Radiography</b>	4/2/2021	4/5/2021	4/30/2021	Summer 2021
<b>Physical Therapist Assistant</b>	6/24/2021	7/5/2021	7/ 26 & 7/27	Fall 2021
<b>Practical Nursing</b>	5/21/2021	6/7/2021	7/20/2021	Fall 2021
<b>Registered Nursing</b>	5/21/2021	6/7/2021	7/20/2021	Fall 2021
<b>Registered Nursing Advanced Placement</b>	5/21/2021	6/7/2021	7/20/2021	Fall 2021
<b>Medical Lab Technology</b>	6/16/2021	6/22/2021	7/13/2021	Fall 2021
<b>Paramedic</b> <i>(no A2; PMED entrance exam)</i>	7/12/2021	7/19/2021	7/26/2021	Fall 2021
<b>Respiratory Therapist</b>	10/29/2021	11/1/2021	11/22/2021	Spring 2022
<b>Medical Lab Tech. Advanced Placement</b>	10/22/2021	10/25/2021	11/17/2021	Spring 2022
<b>Registered Nursing</b>	10/29/2021	TBD	TBD	Spring 2022
<b>Registered Nursing Advanced Placement</b>	10/29/2021	TBD	TBD	Spring 2022

## RECORD AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

### **Kankakee Community College application for admission**

Applicant must be accepted to the college prior to acceptance in any health career program. Students will be notified by KCC email of their acceptance to KCC.

### **Official copy of high school transcript or GED test scores:**

Transcripts/Scores must be received directly from the high school or GED testing institution by KCC's Office of Admissions and Registration *if utilizing financial aid*. If you are not utilizing financial aid at KCC, you may be required to verify eligibility requirements with an unofficial transcript.

### **Official copies of college transcripts:**

Official college transcripts must be received by KCC's Office of Admissions and registration directly from all other colleges attended if you anticipate transferring relevant coursework to complete an eligibility requirement or degree requirement. Faxes are not considered official.

Transcripts evaluation request forms must also be completed to have previous coursework evaluated for credit.

International Students: All foreign Transcripts must be evaluated by a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services.

Visit [www.naces.org/members.htm](http://www.naces.org/members.htm) for information

### **Residency and Cooperative Agreements**

Applicants who are legal residents of the Kankakee Community College District will be given preference for admission provided all admission criteria are met. Applicants will be required to show a driver's license or State of Illinois ID as proof of residency as part of the application process, and students admitted to the program will be required to show proof of residency at the time of registration each term. The official definition of residency and description of KCC's boundaries are available in Student Services

<b>Considered as a "district-resident"</b>
<b>Legal resident of KCC district</b>
<b>Utilizing Cooperative agreement issued by their home community college</b>
<b>International student with an f-1 visa and a U.S. sponsor living in the district</b>
<b>International student with a permanent resident card, residing in KCC district</b>
<b>Considered as an "out-district-resident"</b>
<b>Legally resides outside of the KCC district</b>
<b>Not living in the district, but working in the district</b>
<b>Not living in the district, but have a parent or guardian who works/lives in the district</b>
<b>Attends another college/university within KCC's District 520 and lives in college/university housing.</b>
<b>Granted a charge-back from his/her home community college</b>
<b>International student without an F-1 visa</b>
<b>International student with an F-1 visa, living outside of KCC's district</b>

## ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Each Health Career program at KCC has unique and individual academic eligibility requirements that prepare a student to meet prerequisites required for their core and general education curriculum. To review individual program's eligibility requirements, please visit: [www.kcc.edu](http://www.kcc.edu)

It is the applicant's responsibility to complete their program's academic eligibility requirements prior to the Testing Deadline.

- A grade of C or better is required for all coursework.
- Unless noted, all placement/assessment tests must have been completed with the last 4 years (48 months).

### **In-progress coursework**

An applicant must be able to verify that they are in-progress with science requirement(s) and the Certified Nursing Assistant course (if applicable) by providing a current transcript (either official or unofficial) with the course listed as registered or in-progress during the semester in which the program deadline falls. The course(s) must be completed with a final grade posted and verified, prior to the specified program's start date.

Applicants enrolled at KCC must be registered for the course(s) and verified through Colleague that the course is in-progress and will be completed prior to the program start date.

If a student receives a grade of "D" , "F" , withdraws, or has an incomplete as the final outcome of the course that was allowed to be in-progress, eligibility for/acceptance to the that program will be automatically nullified.

### **GPA**

If you have college credit at KCC, you must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Students without a KCC GPA can also be accepted. Any student who has completed all general education requirements for a program but does not have a 2.5 GPA can submit a Health Careers Eligibility Appeal.

Applicants who reside outside of KCC's district who receive the same program entry considerations as in-district students must have the required GPA at the cooperative agreement granting institution.

The minimum GPA must be maintained until that year's program begins or eligibility for/acceptance to that program is automatically nullified unless an exception has been approved through the Health Careers Appeal process.

### **HESI A2 entrance exam**

You are allowed two HESI A2 testing attempts per calendar year with the exception of Registered Nursing and Registered Nursing Advanced Placement applicants. Registered Nursing and Registered Nursing Advanced Placement applicants are allowed two attempts per application cycle (spring and fall semesters) due to the program admitting students twice per year.

The HESI A2 test is administered by computer, which is the same as how health career exams are administered. The results are calculated by HESI. KCC faculty/staff will not recalculate your score. HESI A2 must be completed at KCC and scores are valid for one year.

### **Program Selection**

You will be ranked for program acceptance based on your HESI A2 test score. The higher of the two attempts will be used for ranking. Eligible applicants who are not offered a seat will be alternates. Students will be notified of their status in writing.

If a choice must be made among a number of applicants with the same test score, selection for admission will be made on the basis of:

1. Completion of the greatest number of non-MEDT, -PMED, -PHTA, -PNUR, -RESP, -RNUR or -XRAY courses in the curriculum. If a tie still occurs, then
2. The highest comprehensive score(s) in the area of science on the HESI A2 Exam. If a tie still occurs, then
3. The highest comprehensive score(s) in the area of reading on the HESI A2 Exam.

## **ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Before applying, review the list of essential physical capabilities and essential functions you should possess in order to successfully complete each health career program (available online and in the Department of Student Services).

The curriculum of record for those applying to, but not yet accepted into, competitive entry health careers programs is the Associate in General Studies.

If you complete one week of a cohort for which you have been admitted, you are not eligible for entry to a different program during the same application cycle, you will not be eligible for entry to a different program.

If you have at any point in time, accepted a seat and started a KCC Health Careers program and did not complete the program, you will be required to submit a Health Careers Eligibility Appeal or Application for Re-Entry to be considered for any future application cycles in other programs. You are only allowed to enter KCC Health Career Programs up to 3 times, whether that be the same program or different programs. For more information, or to complete an appeal, please make an appointment with a Health Career Advisor, 815-802-8500.

You may only apply to one health career program per calendar year. However, Nursing students applying to the RN program are allowed to apply to two programs if they so choose/qualify: LPN, RN, or RN OPT I.

KCC does not tolerate discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, or age in its programs or activities. Please direct inquiries to the Title IX coordinator, Section 504 coordinator or Affirmative Action Officer, 815-802-8510 or email [jdasilva@kcc.edu](mailto:jdasilva@kcc.edu). Please visit [www.kcc.edu/disclosures](http://www.kcc.edu/disclosures) for more information.