

<p style="text-align: center;">NWCCD—Gillette College/Sheridan College NURSING ADMISSION/ACCEPTANCE POLICIES</p>
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Prerequisites:

Prerequisite courses must have been completed with a grade of C or higher, and must be completed by the semester prior to the March 1 application deadline in order to be considered in the current selection cycle. Courses enrolled in during the admission screening process are not considered. Prerequisites can be taken at NWCCD or any accredited college or university.

New for 2019: You may be concurrently enrolled in one (1) only of the four (4) pre-requisite courses and apply. Points will be awarded for the three completed pre-requisite courses only, and you will receive zero (0) points for the unfinished course. If offered a seat in the program, acceptance is contingent on successful completion of the concurrently enrolled pre-requisite course with a grade of “C” or better. An official transcript reflecting that grade must be received by NWCCD by May 31.

The following prerequisite course requirements must be completed prior to the March 1 application deadline.

1. ENGL 1010 English I (3 credit hours)
2. MATH 1400 Pre-Calculus Algebra (4 credit hours) or equivalent.
Equivalent classes include MATH 1405 Pre-Calculus Trigonometry; MATH 1450 Pre-Calculus Algebra and Trigonometry; STAT 2050 Fundamentals of Statistics; or STAT 2070 Introduction to Statistics for Social Science.
3. ZOO 2010 -Human Anatomy & Physiology I with Lab (4 credit hours)
4. BIOL 1010 – General Biology 1 (4 credits hours) or equivalent (BIOL 1000).

Admission Policy:

Acceptance to the program is competitive. Each year approximately 64 students combined are selected to enter the program on the Gillette and Sheridan campuses. Applicants will be ranked in order according to total points. All applicants will be notified of Nursing Admission Committee decisions in early April and will receive either a letter or email of acceptance, an offer for placement on the alternate list, or a letter or email of non-acceptance.

Selection Process:

The Nursing Admission Committee selects applicants for entry into the program in March of each year using the following criteria and point scoring system:

Admission Criteria

Applicants must meet the general admission requirements of Northern Wyoming Community College—Gillette College or Sheridan College. Application to the college and application to the

Nursing Program are separate applications and both must be completed. Admission to the college does not guarantee admission to the Nursing Program.

The nursing application deadline is March 1 for admission in the fall semester. ***Late applications and transcripts will not be reviewed.*** Once the application is submitted, it is the applicant's responsibility to contact the Nursing office at the college to confirm receipt.

Coursework completed at another institution does not guarantee a direct equivalency at Northern Wyoming Community College District. Once transcripts are received courses are evaluated based upon the content completed. An email will be sent to notify you how to view your transfer equivalencies in your MyNWCCD portal account.

Requirements for admission consideration:

1. Application for general admission to NWCCD: must submit all official transcripts. The applicant must be a high school graduate or equivalent. The applicant must provide documentation of graduation from high school or college in the form of a valid high school diploma or higher earned degree, transcript, or other acceptable documentation confirming the applicant meets or exceeds the academic achievement equivalent to a high school diploma. All applications and transcripts must be ***received*** by March 1. Students may apply while still enrolled in their final semester of high school, however full acceptance is contingent upon receipt of documentation indicating completion.
2. Application for admission to the Gillette College or the Sheridan College Nursing Program. (This is a separate application specific to the nursing program.)
3. Cumulative GPA of 2.5. All courses applicable to the Associate Degree in Nursing will be used to compute GPA. If more than one college has been attended, all courses applicable to the Associate Degree in Nursing will be used to compute GPA.
4. Completion of ENGL 1010 English I or transferable English Composition I course with a grade of “C” or better.
5. Completion of MATH 1400 or equivalent or transferable college algebra with a grade of “C” or better. (Equivalent classes include: MATH 1405 Pre-Calculus Trigonometry; MATH 1450 Pre-Calculus Algebra and Trigonometry; STAT 2050 Fundamentals of Statistics; or STAT 2070 Introduction to Statistics for Social Science.)
6. Completion of ZOO 2010 or transferable Anatomy & Physiology I course with a “C” or better.
7. Completion of BIOL 1010 or transferable General Biology I course with a “C” or better.
8. HESI A2 exam with an overall cumulative score of 75%.

Admission Points Ranking System:

Applicant's cumulative individual HESI A2 score will be added to the points awarded for the pre-requisite courses: ENGL, A&P I, MATH, and BIOLOGY to determine admission score. Applicants with the highest points will be admitted.

1. Grade received for ENGL 1010-English I or transferable English Composition I course:
 - A or S = 4 points
 - B = 3 points
 - C = 2 points
 - Total ranking points possible = 4
2. Grade received for MATH 1400 or equivalent or transferable college algebra course:
 - A or S = 4 points
 - B = 3 points
 - C = 2 points
 - Total ranking points possible = 4

NOTE: Statistics, Calculus, or Trigonometry may also be used if determined to be equivalent to Northern Wyoming Community College District coursework.
3. Grade received for ZOO*2010 or transferable Anatomy & Physiology I course:
 - A or S = 4 points
 - B = 3 points
 - C = 2 points
 - Total ranking points possible = 4
4. Grade received for BIOL 1010 or transferable Biology I course:
 - A or S = 4 points
 - B = 3 points
 - C = 2 points
 - Total ranking points possible = 4
5. HESI A2 exam score—**cumulative score will be used for ranking** after it is determined that an overall cumulative score of 75% has been achieved.
6. In the case of tied point totals, the individual HESI A2 subject scores will be considered in the following order: Science, Reading, Math, Grammar, and Vocabulary to determine applicant ranking.

For Example:

Total points awarded are calculated as in the following examples:

1. Applicant A completed all 4 pre-requisite classes and HESI as follows:
 - "A" in English = 4 points awarded
 - "B" in Anatomy & Physiology I = 3 points awarded
 - "C" in Math 1400 = 2 points awarded
 - "B" in Biology = 3 points awarded
 - HESI A2 cumulative score of 77.8% = 77.8 points awarded
 - Points combined: $4+3+2+3+77.8 = 89.8$ points
2. Applicant B is concurrently enrolled in Biology 1010 so receives no points for that class. S/He completed 3 of the 4 pre-requisite classes and HESI as follows:
 - "B" in English = 3 points awarded

- “A” in Math 1400 = 4 points
- “B” in Anatomy & Physiology I = 3 points awarded
- No final grade for Biology = 0 points awarded
- HESI A2 cumulative score of 80% = 80 points awarded
- Points combined: $3+4+3+80 = 90$ points

Applicant B will be ranked higher than Applicant A.

Notification and Admission

Applicants will be notified in writing or by email of the results of the admission process. Qualified students who have not been admitted are placed on an alternate list. If positions become available to accommodate additional eligible students, those on the alternate list will be notified in the order they are ranked. Should the student not be admitted, the student must reapply for the next class in order to be reviewed for admission with the new group of applicants. Students who are admitted but decline entrance into the program must start the application process from the beginning.

Students who have met the above criteria and been offered conditional acceptance into the program must accept or decline their acceptance by returning the Acceptance Form with a **\$250.00 non-refundable deposit**, which will be applied to your student account after the semester begins on the Business Office’s schedule. If your acceptance form and deposit are not received by the annual program-specified date, your seat will be offered to the next student on the alternate list.

Full admission is awarded upon successful completion of a background check, drug screen, and documentation of the following: health examination and required immunizations, and Basic Life Support Providers (CPR). A complete list of these requirements and instructions are sent following notification of acceptance and receipt of the deposit.