Application Submission Dates
February 3, 2020 – May 14, 2020 for Fall 2020

Communication By
June 5, 2020

Admission to Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College’s Licensed Practical Nursing program is competitive. Application packets are reviewed on a competitive basis. Applicants are encouraged to apply when most competitive. You must meet the requirements outlined in this overview and be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident to qualify. Admission of international students must comply with federal and state regulations pertaining to international student enrollment in U.S. colleges.

Interested individuals must attend a Health Information Program (HIP) Session (either on campus or online) to receive an application packet. All documents submitted with the application packet become the exclusive property of the college and will not be returned to the applicant. Qualified applicants who attended college outside of the United States and meet citizenship requirements must provide official transcripts from World Education Service. Fees for English translation of international transcripts must be paid by the applicant (contact our Registrar at studentrecording@octech.edu or 803-535-1222 for details). Misrepresentation of information on any required forms or a willful attempt to misrepresent residency will make an applicant ineligible for admission to OCtech Nursing and Health Science programs.

Applicants repeating a Nursing or Health Science course two or more times or applicants who have had two or more attempts in a Nursing or Health Science program may only apply through the appeals process. To view the appeals process, visit https://www.octech.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/NHS-Program-Appeal-Application.pdf

All applicants can expect to hear from us according to the schedule listed above. There is no guarantee that you will be accepted; however, we suggest that you make financial arrangements and complete the FAFSA (www.fafsa.ed.gov) in the event that you are offered admission, since payment of tuition, fees and books will be due upon enrollment.

A national background check and drug test will be required upon acceptance to the program and before starting class. Positive results on background check and/or drug test may prohibit participation in clinical experiences and may necessitate removal from the program. Clinical sites may require additional background and drug testing during the course of a student’s enrollment.

It is the responsibility of the student to notify the Program Coordinator or Dean of the Nursing/Health Science program of any criminal charges, convictions, orders and/or sanctions that occur during the course of his/her enrollment. Failure to notify the Program Coordinator or Dean may necessitate removal from the program and revocation of eligibility to take the State Board Examination for Licensure or the National Certification Exam.

Note: Prior criminal convictions may affect eligibility to take the State Board Examination for Licensure.
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Part I - Applicants must meet the following requirements to be eligible to move to Part II:

- Attend a Health Information Program (HIP) Session (in person or online).
- Be a high school graduate or possess a GED. (Official transcript must be submitted. If this information is already on file, it does not need to be resubmitted.)
- Official transcripts from all colleges must be submitted. (If this information is already on file, it does not need to be resubmitted.) Transcripts must be sent from the college to OCtech via mail, electronically, or emailed to studentrecords@octech.edu. Transcripts must be received by OCtech 10 days prior to application submission.

Part II - Applicants qualifying to submit an application must meet ONE of the following reading criteria:

- SAT Reading - 26
- OR
- ACT Reading - 19
- OR
- TEAS Reading (version V or ATI TEAS) – 65 (within 5 years)
- OR
- Accuplacer Reading – 71 (within 5 years)
- OR
- Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250 (within 5 years)

**AND have a minimum GPA of 2.50 (on a 4.0 scale) on any previous college work used to meet general education requirements in the LPN Nursing Program.** Points will be awarded based on the highest course grades received.

*(Students who have received AP credit or credit by examination (E) will receive 4 points for 4-credit hour courses and 3 points for 3-credit hour courses for the REQUIRED courses only.)*

**Points are awarded for specified general education courses, certificate or licensure in health-related field, degree completion, and residency:**

See “Selective Ranking Score Sheet”.

**Guaranteed Track Admission (GTA)**

Students must meet one of the specified reading criteria: Accuplacer Reading – 71 (within 5 years); Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250 (within 5 years); SAT Reading – 26; ACT Reading 19; or score 65 or higher on the TEAS Reading test (version V or ATI TEAS within 5 years) **AND** complete ALL required program general education courses prior to admission into the clinical LPN program with a 3.0 or higher GPA on required courses: BIO 210, BIO 211, ENG 101, MAT 101 or higher, and PSY 201.

Points will be awarded based on the highest course grade received. Applicants applying via appeal are not eligible for GTA.

**LPN-FLEX Admission Requirements**

Students seeking admission into the LPN-Flex program must meet the current admissions requirements as outlined above for the Practical Nursing Program and must also meet the following criteria:

- Admission to the program
- A **2.75** or higher GPA on all required general education courses (BIO 210, BIO 211, ENG 101, MAT 101 or higher, PSY 201) with a grade of C or higher
- Medical background (i.e. CNA, EMT, Medical Assistant, etc.)
ALL LPN students must be able to meet the core performance standards for the classroom and clinical environment before starting the program.

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<td>Identification of cause/effect relationships in clinical situations&lt;br&gt;Use of the scientific method in the development of patient care plans&lt;br&gt;Evaluation of the effectiveness of nursing interventions&lt;br&gt;Make decisions based on the nursing process</td>
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<td>Professional Relationships</td>
<td>Identification of cause/effect relationships in clinical situations&lt;br&gt;Establishment of rapport with patients/clients and colleagues&lt;br&gt;Capacity to engage in successful conflict resolution&lt;br&gt;Peer accountability</td>
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<td>Communication</td>
<td>Explanation of treatment procedures; initiation of health teaching&lt;br&gt;Documentation and interpretation of nursing actions and patient/client response&lt;br&gt;Correctly read aloud written instructions&lt;br&gt;Ability to follow oral and written instructions</td>
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<td>Mobility</td>
<td>Movement about patient’s room, work spaces and treatment areas&lt;br&gt;Administration of rescue procedures – cardiopulmonary resuscitation&lt;br&gt;Lift 20 pounds from the floor, carry and place on a surface 36 inches in height&lt;br&gt;Stand from a seated position and walk 300 feet without any impairment&lt;br&gt;Lift and support patient from a bed, stretcher or wheelchair safely&lt;br&gt;Go from a standing position to a squatting position and vice versa. Walk up and down several flights of stairs and pivot&lt;br&gt;Extend legs forward and backward to provide patient support as needed&lt;br&gt;Move a patient from a bed, stretcher or wheelchair safely&lt;br&gt;Push a stretcher with a patient without assistance&lt;br&gt;Transport a patient in a wheelchair, bed or stretcher with oxygen or IV fluids</td>
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<td>Motor skills</td>
<td>Calibration and use of equipment, operation of computers, telephones, call lights, etc.&lt;br&gt;Therapeutic positioning of patients&lt;br&gt;Put on and remove proper clothing and equipment correctly without assistance (i.e. surgery suit, shoe covers or other protective devices, etc.)&lt;br&gt;Demonstrate fine motor skills in manipulating small objects</td>
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<td>Visual</td>
<td>Ability to observe patient’s condition and responses to treatments&lt;br&gt;Ability to see monitoring device alarm and other emergency signals</td>
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<td>Tactile Sense</td>
<td>Ability to palpate in physical examinations and various therapeutic interventions&lt;br&gt;Ex: Distinguish smells which are contributory to assessing and/or maintaining patient’s health status, e.g. smell fire, wound drainage</td>
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<td>Self-Care</td>
<td>Implement universal precautions; follow established procedures for body hygiene</td>
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<td>Temperament/Awareness</td>
<td>Perform procedures on patients in pain from trauma, disease or under the influence of drugs/alcohol&lt;br&gt;Maintain professional composure under stress&lt;br&gt;Be aware of the potential exposure to pathogens through bodily secretions, mucus and blood</td>
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Any student who cannot perform one of the listed technical standards should contact the Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities. Admitted students who are not able to perform all Core Performance Standards will have the admission offer for fall rescinded.

Non-Discrimination Policy: Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or veteran status in its admissions policies, programs, activities or employment practices. Employee and applicant inquiries concerning the federal laws and their application to the College may be directed to the College’s Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Officer, the Director of Human Resources, Marie Howell, 3250 St. Matthews Road, Orangeburg, SC 29118, 803-535-1207, who serves as the College’s Section 504, Title II and Title IX Coordinator.

OCtech’s ADN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN), 3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA, 30326; Phone: 404-975-5000; Fax: 404-975-5020. (www.acenursing.org)
This tuition information is based on 2019-2020 values and is approximate.

Full-Time Tuition (12 semester credit hours)
In-County Residents (Orangeburg and Calhoun Counties) - $2280 (additional hour over 12 credit hours - $190 per credit hour)
Out-of-County Residents - $2772 (additional hours over 12 credit hours - $231 per credit hour)
Out-of-State Residents - $3660 (additional hours over 12 credit hours - $305 per credit hour)

Part-Time Tuition (Less than 12 semester credit hours)
In-County Residents - $190 per credit hour
Out-of-County Residents - $231 per credit hour
Out-of-State Residents - $305 per credit hour

Registration Fee
A non-refundable registration fee of $25.00 is due each semester.

Lab Fee
Some courses may be subject to a $25 lab fee.

Enrollment Fee
A non-refundable enrollment fee of $60.00 will be charged to new students and returning students who have not been enrolled at OCtech for three or more semesters.

Late Fee
The late registration fee will be $50.00.

Inclusive Access Fees
Certain courses at OCtech are Inclusive Access courses. With these courses, the student is charged a course fee in addition to tuition that covers most, if not all of the required textbooks and access fees for the course. This fee covers only the digital components. If a student who is enrolled in the Inclusive Access program would like a print version of the same item, the print version can be purchased in the college bookstore, from the publisher, or possibly a third-party (if available).

Students wishing to opt out of the program must select the “Opt-Out” option in the course content section of D2L. Students MUST have the items covered with all Inclusive Access starting the first day of classes in order to take the course. Please note, simply having a printed copy of the book being used in the course does not give access to the required digital components.

Students that drop an Inclusive Access course prior to the end of published add/drop period, will automatically be refunded the charge. Students dropping courses after the published add/drop period, to include administrative or student initiated withdrawals will be charged the Inclusive Access fee and not be eligible to receive a refund of the course fee.

Pay Tuition
You can pay tuition and fees online using your Connect Account.

Refund Policy
Students who withdraw or have a net reduction of credit hours below full-time status will be eligible for a refund of tuition as follows:
- 100% before the first date in term that classes are offered (start of term)
- 100% first day of class through add/drop period
- 0% after end of add/drop period

Students who remain in class after the end of the add/drop period will be responsible for paying 100% of tuition. Students who never attend classes for which they are enrolled will be considered to have constructively withdrawn before the start of the term.

Refund Policy for Financial Aid Recipients
The Financial Aid Office will recalculate federal financial aid based on the percentage of earned aid for students who withdraw, drop out, are dismissed or take a leave of absence prior to completing 60% of a semester. If a student owes a balance to the college, he or she will be notified by the Business Office. A copy of the official recalculation policy is available in the Financial Aid Office.
## Approximate Charges for Traditional Practical Nursing – 2020/2021

*Figures do not include tuition*

### Prior to first day of class
- Physical to include 2-step PPD (depending on source): $250.00
- Hepatitis Vaccine: $250.00
- CPR (OCTech): $200.00
- Bloodwork Fee (may require immunizations not included in price): $50.00
- Background and Drug Screen: $120.00

**Total**: $870.00

### Fall Semester
- Books/Packets: $800.00
- Laptop (mandatory for program – available in bookstore): $300.00
- Technology Fee: $90.00
- Lab Fee (PNR 110 and 120): $50.00
- Malpractice Insurance: $5.00 - $10.00
- Lab Packet/Nursing Equipment: $350.00
- ATI Standardized Testing: $605.00
- Student Uniforms/Supplies: $300.00 - $500.00
- Flu Vaccine: $20.00 - 25.00
- Examsoft (PNR 110): $60.00

**Total**: $2790.00

### Spring Semester
- Books/Packets: $500.00
- Standardized Testing: $605.00
- Lab Fee (PNR 130): $25.00
- Examsoft (PNR 130): $60.00
- Professional membership: $50.00

**Total**: $1240.00

### Summer Semester
- Books/Packets: $300.00
- Standardized Testing: $605.00
- State Board Application Fee: $77.00
- Criminal Background Check: $55.00
- NCLEX-PN Licensure Exam: $200.00
- HESI: $60.00
- Uniform for Pinning Ceremony: $50.00
- Graduation Fee: $50.00
- One 2x2 Passport Type Photograph: $15.00
- Nursing Pin: $50.00 - $300.00

**Total**: $1682.00

### Program Total

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Approximate Charges for Flex Practical Nursing – 2020/2021

Figures do not include tuition

**Prior to first day of class**
- Physical to include 2-step PPD (depending on source) $250.00
- Hepatitis Vaccine $250.00
- CPR (OCTech) $200.00
- Bloodwork Fee (may require immunizations not included in price) $50.00
- Background and Drug Screen $120.00

**Total** $870.00

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- Books/Packets $800.00
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- Lab Fee (PNR 110 and 120) $50.00
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- ATI Standardized Testing $605.00
- Student Uniforms/Supplies $300.00 - $500.00
- Flu Vaccine $20.00-25.00
- Examsoft $60.00

**Total** $2790.00

**Spring Semester**
- Books/Packets $500.00
- Standardized Testing $605.00
- Proctor U (online test service for PNR 182) $12.00
- Lab Fee (PNR 130) $25.00
- Examsoft $60.00
- Professional membership $50.00

**Total** $1252.00

**Summer Semester**
- Books/Packets $300.00
- Standardized Testing $605.00
- Proctor U (online test service for PNR 170) $12.00
- State Board Application Fee $77.00
- Criminal Background Check $55.00
- NCLEX-PN Licensure Exam $200.00
- HESI $60.00
- Uniform for Pinning Ceremony $50.00
- Graduation Fee $20.00
- One 2x2 Passport Type Photograph $15.00
- Nursing Pin $50.00 - $300.00

**Total** $1694.00

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GUARANTEED LPN ADMISSION: Students must meet one of the specified reading criteria: *Accuplacer Reading- 71; Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250; SAT Reading- 26; ACT Reading 19; or score 65 or higher on the *TEAS Reading test AND complete ALL FIVE required program general education courses prior to admission into the clinical LPN program with a 3.0 or higher GPA on required courses. Points will be awarded based on the highest course grade received.

*Accuplacer and TEAS scores must be within five years. TEAS must be version V or ATI TEAS.

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| MAT 101 or higher  
(advised to retake if >7 years old) | Review of student’s transcript to verify points.  
*NOTE: MAT 102 is the minimum Math requirement for the ADN program.* | A = 5  
B = 3  
C = 1  
D, F, W, WF = 0  
Exemption Exam (E) = 3 | | |
| BIO 210 ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY I –  
(advised to retake if >7 years old) | Transferable course. Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 9  
B = 5  
C = 3  
D, F, W, WF = 0  
Exemption Exam (E) = 4 | | |
| ENG 101 ENGLISH COMPOSITION I | Transferable course. Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 5  
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| PSY 201 GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY | Transferable course. Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 5  
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| Humanities Elective | Not required for LPN, but will be required if student plans to pursue the RN option in the ADN program.  
Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 5  
B = 3  
C = 1  
D, F, W, WF = 0  
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| BIO 211 ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY II –  
(advised to retake if >7 years old) | Transferable course. Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 9  
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| BIO 225 MICROBIOLOGY – (advised to retake if >7 years old) | Transferable course. Not required for LPN, but will be required if student plans to pursue the RN option in the ADN program. Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 9  
B = 5  
C = 3  
D, F, W, WF = 0  
Exemption Exam (E) = 4 |       |        |
| AHS 210 (or BIO 240) NUTRITION FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS | Transferable course under university specific transfer agreements. Not required for LPN, but will be required if student plans to pursue the RN option in the ADN program. Review of student’s transcript to verify points | A = 5  
B = 3  
C = 1  
D, F, W, WF = 0  
Exemption Exam (E) = 3 |       |        |
| Additional Points Allowed - for current certificate or licensure in health-related field | MUST include a copy of current certificate, and/or license in order to receive the points  
(or provide documentation of successful course or program completion if not currently certified or licensed)  
(other certifications must be approved by Dean) | Certificate, Diploma, or higher in a Health-Related field (these include: CNA, PCT, EMT, Paramedic, Surg Tech, OTA, MLT, Pharm Tech, Dental Hygienist, Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, Dialysis Tech, ECG, Phlebotomy) = receive 3 points – (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 certificate/degree  
RAD/RES/PTA receive 4 points |       |        |
| Additional Points Allowed - for degree completion | Associate/Bachelor/Master/PhD Degree = 2 points – can ONLY receive a total of 2 points (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 degree) |                                                                      |       |        |
| Additional Points Allowed - for residency | Calhoun or Orangeburg County Residency = 2 Points |                                                                      |       |        |

**Maximum Possible Score = 60 Points**

Students repeating a Nursing course two or more times or students who have had two or more attempts in a nursing program may only apply through the appeals process.

See current OCtech catalog for additional program requirements.
LPN FLEX ADMISSION:

To submit an application package, students must have a medical background and must meet one of the specified reading criteria: *Accuplacer Reading - 71; Accuplacer Next Gen Reading – 250; SAT Reading- 26; ACT Reading 19; or score 65 or higher on the *TEAS Reading test AND complete ALL required program general education courses prior to admission into the clinical LPN program with a 2.75 or higher GPA on required courses. Points will be awarded based on the highest course grade received.  *Accuplacer and TEAS scores must be within five years. TEAS must be version V or ATI TEAS.

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### AHS 210 (or BIO 240) NUTRITION FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

Not required for LPN, but will be required if student plans to pursue the RN option in the ADN program.

Review of student's transcript to verify points

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### Additional Points Allowed - for current certificate or licensure in health-related field

**MUST include a copy of current certificate, and/or license in order to receive the points**

(or provide documentation of successful course or program completion if not currently certified or licensed)

(other certifications must be approved by Dean)

Certificate, Diploma, or higher in a Health-Related field (these include: CNA, PCT, EMT, Paramedic, Surg Tech, OTA, MLT, Pharm Tech, Dental Hygienist, Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, Dialysis Tech, ECG, Phlebotomy) = receive 3 points – (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 certificate/degree)

RAD/RES/PTA receive 4 points

### Additional Points Allowed - for degree completion

Associate/Bachelor/Master/PhD Degree = 2 points – **can ONLY receive a total of 2 points (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 degree)**

### Additional Points Allowed - for residency

Calhoun or Orangeburg County Residency = 2 Points

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### Students repeating a Nursing course two or more times or students who have had two or more attempts in a nursing program may only apply through the appeals process.

See current OCtech catalog for additional program requirements.