

**LICENSED PRACTICAL  
NURSING/LPN FLEX  
ADMISSIONS OVERVIEW 2022**

**Application Submission Dates**

January 31, 2022 – May 12, 2022 for fall 2022

**Communication By**

June 17, 2022

**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 Zoom 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 [studentrecords@octech.edu](mailto:studentrecords@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.

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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](http://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 (Zoom 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. All transcripts should be received by OCtech at least 10 days prior to submitting your application but no later than the application submission deadline. **If under a different name, please indicate last name.**

### 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. (BIO 210/211, ENG 101, MAT 101 or higher and PSY 201).** Points will be awarded based on the highest course grades received.

*(Students who have received AP credit or credit by exemption (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**”.

#### **Traditional LPN Guaranteed Track Admission (GTA)**

Students must meet the testing criteria in Part II above **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.)
  - Current certification or licensure in a health-related field (see Selective Ranking Score Sheet)

**ALL LPN students must be able to meet the core performance standards for the classroom and clinical environment before starting the program.**

Requirements	Examples
Critical thinking	Identification of cause/effect relationships in clinical situations Use of the scientific method in the development of patient care plans Evaluation of the effectiveness of nursing interventions Make decisions based on the nursing process
Professional Relationships	Identification of cause/effect relationships in clinical situations Establishment of rapport with patients/clients and colleagues Capacity to engage in successful conflict resolution Peer accountability
Communication	Explanation of treatment procedures; initiation of health teaching Documentation and interpretation of nursing actions and patient/client response Correctly read aloud written instructions Ability to follow oral and written instructions
Mobility	Movement about patient's room, work spaces and treatment areas Administration of rescue procedures – cardiopulmonary resuscitation Lift 20 pounds from the floor, carry and place on a surface 36 inches in height Stand from a seated position and walk 300 feet without any impairment Lift and support patient from a bed, stretcher or wheelchair safely Go from a standing position to a squatting position and vice versa. Walk up and down several flights of stairs and pivot Extend legs forward and backward to provide patient support as needed Move a patient from a bed, stretcher or wheelchair safely Push a stretcher with a patient without assistance Transport a patient in a wheelchair, bed or stretcher with oxygen or IV fluids
Motor skills	Calibration and use of equipment, operation of computers, telephones, call lights, etc. Therapeutic positioning of patients Put on and remove proper clothing and equipment correctly without assistance (i.e. surgery suit, shoe covers or other protective devices, etc.) Demonstrate fine motor skills in manipulating small objects
Hearing	Ability to hear monitoring device alarm and other emergency signals Ability to discern auscultatory sounds and cries for help
Visual	Ability to observe patient's condition and responses to treatments Ability to see monitoring device alarm and other emergency signals
Tactile Sense	Ability to palpate in physical examinations and various therapeutic interventions Ex: Distinguish smells which are contributory to assessing and/or maintaining patient's health status, e.g. smell fire, wound drainage
Self-Care	Implement universal precautions; follow established procedures for body hygiene
Temperament/Awareness	Perform procedures on patients in pain from trauma, disease or under the influence of drugs/alcohol Maintain professional composure under stress Be aware of the potential exposure to pathogens through bodily secretions, mucous and blood

Applicants who need to be evaluated for reasonable accommodations should make an appointment with the Coordinator for Services for Students with Disabilities, Tracy Dibble, by calling 803-535-1225 between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday thru Thursday. Admitted students who are not able to perform all Core Performance Standards will have the admission offer 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 LPN program is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc. (ACEN), 3390 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, Georgia 30326; Phone: 404-975-5000; Fax: 404-975-5020. (www.acenursing.org)

## Approximate Charges for Traditional Practical Nursing – 2022-2023

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
Viewpoint Background and Drug Screen	\$110.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$860.00</b>

### Fall Semester

Books/Packets	\$800.00
Laptop (mandatory for program – available in bookstore)	\$300.00
Technology Fee	\$90.00
Lab Fee (PNR 110)	\$25.00
Malpractice Insurance	\$5.00 - \$10.00
Lab Package/Nursing Equipment	\$350.00
ATI Package Payment #1	\$605.00
Swift River Account	\$75.00
Student Uniforms/Supplies	\$300.00 - \$500.00
Flu Vaccine	\$20.00-25.00
Examsoft (PNR 110)	\$135.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2915.00</b>

### Spring Semester

Books/Packets	\$500.00
ATI Package Payment #2	\$605.00
Lab Packet/Nursing Equipment	\$150.00
Swift River Account	\$75.00
Lab Fee (PNR 130)	\$25.00
Examsoft (PNR 130) covers summer	\$135.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1490.00</b>

### Summer Semester

Books/Packets	\$300.00
Lab Packet/Nursing Equipment	\$150.00
Swift River Account	\$75.00
ATI Package Payment #3	\$605.00
State Board Application Fee	\$70.00
State Board Criminal Background Check	\$55.00
NCLEX-PN Licensure Exam	\$200.00
Graduation Fee	\$20.00
One 2x2 Passport Type Photograph	\$15.00
Nursing Pin	\$50.00 - \$300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1790.00</b>

**Program Total (excluding tuition) \$7145.00**

**Approximate Charges for FLEX Practical Nursing – 2022-2023**  
**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
Viewpoint Background and Drug Screen	\$110.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$860.00</b>

**Fall Semester**

Books/Packets	\$800.00
Laptop (mandatory for program – available in bookstore)	\$300.00
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**Summer Semester**

Books/Packets	\$300.00
Lab Packet/Nursing Equipment	\$150.00
Swift River Account	\$75.00
ATI Package Payment #3	\$605.00
State Board Application Fee	\$70.00
State Board Criminal Background Check	\$55.00
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**Licensed Practical Nursing Program  
Selective Ranking Score Sheet: Published 02/17/22**

<b>STUDENT:</b>	<b>OCtech ID#:</b>	<b>FALL 2022</b>
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To submit an application package, students must meet the specified reading: \*Accuplacer: Reading – 71; \*Accuplacer Next Gen: Reading – 250; SAT: Reading – 26; ACT: Reading 19; or \*TEAS Reading – 65 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.

Students who have received AP credit or credit by exemption (E) will receive 4 points for 4-credit hour courses and 3 points for 3-credit hour courses for the REQUIRED courses only. Points will be awarded based on the highest course grades received.

**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.

Criteria	Considerations	Scoring	Grade	Points
<b>MAT 101 or higher</b> <i>(advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</i>	Review of student's transcript to verify points.  <i>NOTE: MAT 102 is the minimum Math requirement for the ADN program.</i>	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>BIO 210 ANATOMY &amp; PHYSIOLOGY I –</b> <i>(advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</i>	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		
<b>ENG 101</b> ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>PSY 201</b> GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	Transferable course. Review of student's transcript to verify points	A = 5 B = 3 C = 1 D, F, W, WF = 0 Exemption Exam (E) = 3		
<b>Humanities Elective</b>	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		
<b>BIO 211 ANATOMY &amp; PHYSIOLOGY II -</b> <i>(advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</i>	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		

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<b>BIO 225 MICROBIOLOGY – (advised to retake if &gt;7 years old)</b>	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		
<b>AHS 210 (or BIO 240) NUTRITION FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS</b>	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		
<b>Additional Points Allowed - for current certificate or licensure in health-related field</b>	<b>MUST include a copy of current certificate, and/or license in order to receive the points</b>  <b>(or provide documentation of successful course or program completion if not currently certified or licensed)</b>  <b>(other certifications must be approved by Dean)</b>	Certificate, Diploma, or higher in a Health-Related field from an accredited college program. (these include: CNA, PCT, EMT, Paramedic, Surg Tech, OTA, MLT, Pharm Tech, Dental Hygienist, Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, Dialysis Tech, ECG, Phlebotomy) = <b>receive 3 points – (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 certificate/degree)</b>  <b>RAD/RES/PTA receive 4 points</b>		
<b>Additional Points Allowed - for degree completion</b>		Associate/Bachelor/Master/ PhD Degree = 2 points – <b>can ONLY receive a total of 2 points (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 degree)</b>		
<b>Additional Points Allowed - for residency</b>		Calhoun or Orangeburg County Residency = 2 Points		
<b>Maximum Possible Score = 60 Points</b>			Total Score	

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See current OCtech catalog for additional program requirements.

**Licensed Practical Nursing Program – FLEX  
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<b>LPN FLEX ADMISSION:</b>				
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<b>Additional Points Allowed - for degree completion</b>		Associate/Bachelor/Master/PhD Degree = 2 points – <b>can ONLY receive a total of 2 points (multiple points are not awarded for more than 1 degree)</b>		
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<b>Maximum Possible Score = 60 Points</b>			Total Score	

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