Program-Specific Admission Requirements

1. Earn a minimum of eight (8) points from the following categories:
   a. ADN admission option
   b. BIO 210 grade (within 5 years)
   c. BIO 211 grade (within 5 years)
   d. PN Comprehensive Predictor Score

   To see the points for each category, go to the student portal page at https://my.tridenttech.edu/academic/nursing
2. Provide proof of graduation from a practical nursing program by submitting official transcripts.
3. Verify that name appears on the S.C. Board of Nursing website as having a current, unencumbered S.C. license as a practical nurse.
4. LPNs from another program or who have been out of TTC's PN program for two years or more must provide an *Employment Verification* form validating a minimum of 960 hours employment in a hospital or nursing home providing direct patient care to adult medical/surgical patients as a LPN within three years prior to admission to the program. Employment through an agency does not meet this requirement.

Recommended Sequence of Courses

First Semester – Spring

BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
PSY 201	General Psychology	3
PSY 203	Human Growth and Development	3
		Total 17

Second Semester – Summer

NUR 201	Transition Nursing	3
NUR 206	Clinical Skills Application	2
REQ GEN	Select one additional course from the listing on pages B-3-B-4	3
		Total 8

Third Semester – Fall

BIO 225	Microbiology	4
NUR 208	Health Promotion for Families II	4
		Total 8

Fourth Semester – Spring

MAT 110	College Algebra	3
or		
MAT 120	Probability and Statistics	3
**NUR 210	Complex Health Problems	5
***NUR 219	Nursing Management and Leadership	4
REQ HUM	Select one course from the wHumanities listing on page B-3	3
		Total 15

+Automatic credit for courses in the Practical Nursing program will be awarded after successful completion of the first clinical nursing course: Basic Nursing Care Skills (NUR 102), Nursing Care Management I (NUR 104), Pharmacology for Nurses (NUR 105), Health Promotion for Families I (NUR 158), Patient Centered Nursing Care I (NUR 195), Basic Concepts of Pharmacology (NUR 161), Patient Centered Nursing Care II (NUR 205).
*** Prior to enrolling in NUR 210, students must successfully complete the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Level Dosage Proficiency Placement Exam or Health Calculations II (AHS 129).*
****Prior to enrolling in NUR 219, students will be required to demonstrate proficiency on a standardized national examination or enroll in Nursing Seminar (NUR 216) as a corequisite to NUR 219.*

Practical Nursing

Diploma in Applied Science
Credit Requirements: 43 Semester Credit Hours
Students entering Fall Semester

The Practical Nursing program is a three-and-a-half semester program of study that prepares students to provide patient care under the supervision of professional registered nurses, physicians or dentists. A graduate of the Practical Nursing program is eligible to apply to take the National Council Licensure Examination-PN (NCLEX-PN). Upon satisfactory completion of the examination, graduates are titled Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN).

The PN program combines general education with clinical nursing courses and incorporates classroom instruction, laboratory simulation and clinical practice. Students who complete the Practical Nursing program may qualify to apply for progression and continue the Nursing curriculum to complete the Associate Degree Nursing program. Requirements for these options are described on the following pages.

Admission Requirements

In addition to meeting the Program-Specific Admission Requirements below, applicants must also meet the General College Admission Requirements and General Nursing Program Admission Requirements. Admission to this program does not require proof of high school graduation. Students progressing to the ADN program will be required to submit proof of high school graduation.

Program-Specific Admission Requirements

1. Meet *one* of the following three admission options (a, b or c):
   a. Hold an associate degree or higher from a regionally accredited school with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at TTC at time of admission.

   OR

   b. Achieve the required score on the National League for Nursing Pre-Admission Exam (PAX). Scores are valid for two years from date of testing. Students can register at https://ondemand.questionmark.com/400030/ext/nlntesting. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at TTC at time of admission.

   OR

   c. Complete the Pre-Nursing certificate with a minimum GPA for the certificate of 2.75. No more than three of the six courses required for the Pre-Nursing certificate may be repeated to meet this admission option, and all courses must be completed with a minimum grade of C. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at TTC at time of admission.

Important Note:

Students initially admitted to the Practical Nursing program who wish to progress to the ADN program MUST provide proof of current unencumbered S.C. licensure as a Practical Nurse prior to applying for progression to the ADN program.

Recommended Sequence of Courses

First Semester – Fall

BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
NUR 102	Basic Nursing Care Skills	4
*NUR 104	Nursing Care Management I	4
PSY 201	General Psychology	3
		Total 18

Second Semester – Spring

BIO 211	Anatomy and Physiology II	4
NUR 158	Health Promotion for Families I	4
NUR 161	Basic Concepts of Pharmacology	2
NUR 195	Patient Centered Nursing Care I	4
PSY 203	Human Growth and Development	3
		Total 17

Third Semester – Summer

REQ GEN	Select one additional course from the listing on pages B-3-B-4	3
NUR 105	Pharmacology for Nurses	1
NUR 205	Patient Centered Nursing Care II	4
		Total 8

**Prior to enrolling in NUR 104, students must successfully complete the Practical Nursing (PN) Level Dosage Proficiency Placement Exam or Health Calculations (AHS 126).*

Important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students who attended this program can be found in section D.

Pre-Nursing

Certificate in Applied Science
Credit Requirements: 20 Semester Credit Hours

The Pre-Nursing Certificate is a curriculum program, which offers 20 hours of college credit. Pending admission to one of the Nursing programs, students may complete the certificate program. While completion of this certificate may not be the selected admission option, it will provide the student with knowledge prior to entering one of the Nursing programs.

The curriculum incorporates classroom and laboratory instruction.

Recommended Sequence of Courses

First Semester

BIO 210	Anatomy and Physiology I	4
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
PSY 201	General Psychology	3
		Total 10