



Copper Mountain College Registered Nursing Program

GENERIC ADMISSION POLICY

Effective January 8, 2018

Copper Mountain College offers an Associate of Science-Registered Nursing (ADN) degree. The Registered Nursing (RN) Program is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN).

RN PROGRAM GENERIC APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- A. All prerequisite courses required for the ADN degree must be completed within seven (7) years of application for admission to the RN Program.
- B. Each prerequisite course must be completed with a grade of 'B' or better and all college level coursework must be completed with cumulative 2.50 Grade Point Average (GPA) or better. All college level attempts at courses taken at any accredited school will be used to calculate the GPA, including those with a grade of I, W, D and/or F.
- C. All co-requisite coursework required for the ADN degree must be completed by the end of the semester during which the application for admission to the RN Program is submitted.
- D. Proof of high school graduation or equivalency demonstrated by providing any of the following: An official high school transcript or an official transcript demonstrating a passing score on the California High School Proficiency Examinations or an official General Education Development (GED) transcript. Foreign high school transcripts must be evaluated and determined to be equivalent by an international evaluation service approved by Copper Mountain College (CMC). Schedule an appointment with a CMC counselor for details regarding the foreign transcript evaluation process.
- E. Official transcripts must be submitted for ALL college (including CMC) and post-secondary (after high school at a technical school, ROP program etc.) coursework attempted or completed must be presented at the time of application to the RN Program. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide official transcripts and any additional requested evidence (such as a course syllabus) of meeting all admission criteria. Foreign transcripts must be evaluated by a Foreign Transcript Evaluator approved by CMC.

F. REQUIRED REGISTERED NURSING PROGRAM COURSES

Many of these courses have prerequisites. Please see the CMC catalog for details.

*BI-022 Human Anatomy with lab	4 units
*BI-023 Human Physiology with lab	4 units
*BI-015 Microbiology with lab	4/5 units
*ENG-003A College Composition	3 units
*PSY-003 Developmental (Lifespan) Psychology	3 units
*MATH-040 Intermediate Algebra	4 units
**PSY-001 General Psychology	3 units
**SOC-001 Intro to Sociology or ANTH-002 Cultural Anthropology	3 units
**SP-001 Interpersonal Communication or SP-004 Public Speaking or SP-007 Decision-Making and Advocacy or SP-015 Intercultural Communication	3 units
**One course which meets the Social & Behavioral Science requirement	3 units
**One course which meets the Humanities requirement	3 units
**RDG-051 College Preparatory Reading	3 units

*prerequisite courses which must be completed with grade of 'B' or better prior to submission of an application

**required courses which must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better, which are required to complete the Program, and which must be completed prior to or during the semester of application for admission to the RN Program.

RN PROGRAM GENERIC APPLICATION PROCESS

Up to twenty-four (24) applicants are accepted for admission to the RN Program beginning each Fall semester. The following process is used to screen applicants for RN Program admission:

- A. Applications for generic admission are accepted from **October 1st through October 31st each year.** Applications must be hand carried to the HSNP office Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm during that period. **Only complete applications in a sealed envelope hand carried to the HSNP office within the application period will be accepted for consideration. The sealed envelope must have the following information: Applicant name, "Attn: Admissions Committee, RN Program."** The Application form and instructions for submission are posted on the Registered Nursing Program portion of the Health Sciences page of the CMC website at <https://www.cmccd.edu/prospective-students/health-sciences/>.
- B. After the application period has ended, each application will be screened for evidence of completion of all prerequisite **and co-requisite coursework required for the ADN degree** and evaluated using the Chancellor's Office Predictor of Success Formula (Community College Nursing Prerequisite Validation Study) (Formula). All prerequisite coursework must be completed within seven (7) years of application for admission to the RN Program in line with the GPA requirements listed on page one (1) of this policy.

Applicants are required to meet the minimum Formula score of seventy (70) to be considered for admission. Data elements entered into the Formula are:

- GPA from ALL colleges attended
- GPA in ALL English coursework
- GPA in sciences: Microbiology, Anatomy and Physiology
- The number of times Microbiology, Anatomy or Physiology courses have been repeated within the seven (7) years prior to application for admission (repeats after a withdrawal have the same negative impact as repeats after a failure).

- C. Applicants will be ranked in order of Formula score and applicants receiving the highest Formula scores will be considered for conditional admission. Applicants who are considered for conditional admission are notified via e-mail. Failure to respond by the specified deadline results in removal of the applicant from consideration.

If there is an insufficient number of qualified applicants who meet ALL admission criteria, the RN Program Admission Committee MAY select applicants based upon Formula score, HESI exam scores, coursework in progress and/or one prerequisite course with a 'C' grade (ENG-003A College Composition or PSY-003 Developmental Psychology ONLY).

D. Applicants who have been dismissed from any Allied Health/Health Sciences/ Nursing Program at any school for any of the following reasons are ineligible for admission to the CMC RN Program:

- Academic and/or clinical failure (failure = D or F grade)
- Unsafe clinical performance
- Acts of dishonesty or unethical behavior
- Violation of program professional conduct standards.

E. The RN Program requires a criminal background check and drug screen. Applicants who have a felony on their background check and/or fail the drug screen are ineligible for admission to the RN Program. Applicants who have a misdemeanor on their background check may be ineligible for admission to the RN Program.

F. Applicants MUST take the HESI Admission Assessment Exam at Copper Mountain College. The following sections of the exam are required:

Reading Comprehension (must achieve minimum score of 80%)
Vocabulary & General Knowledge (must achieve minimum score of 80%)
Grammar (must achieve minimum score of 80%)
Basic Math Skills (must achieve minimum score of 80%)
Anatomy and Physiology (must achieve minimum score of 80%)

Learning Style (not scored)
Personality Profile (not scored)

Conditionally admitted applicants must achieve a minimum score of 80% on each and every one of the scored portions of the exam. A score below 80% on any of the five scored sections disqualifies the applicant.

Up to twenty four (24) applicants who achieve the highest Formula scores and who demonstrate minimum HESI Exam scores of at least 80% on each and every one of the scored portions of the exam will continue to be considered for admission with the stipulation that they must continue to meet all additional RN Program entry requirements including health screenings, criminal background check, drug screen and CPR certification.

G. Applicants who do not achieve minimum HESI Exam scores of at least 80% on each and every one of the scored portions of the exam on the first attempt and wish to reapply to the RN Program in the future must enter into (within sixty days of the first attempt) and complete a one-year remediation plan determined by the RN Program. If the applicant does not enter into a remediation plan and/or the requirements of the remediation plan are not met, the applicant will not be considered for admission.

Upon documentation of completion of the remediation plan, the applicant will be eligible to reapply for admission to the RN Program during the regular October 1st through October 31st application period. Applicants reapplying must follow the admission requirements in effect at the time of reapplication. If selected for conditional admission, the applicant must achieve minimum HESI Exam scores of 80% on each and every one of the scored portions of the exam on the second attempt to continue to be considered for admission. Failure to achieve minimum HESI Exam scores of at least 80% on each and every one of the scored portions of the exam on the second attempt permanently removes the applicant from consideration for admission to the RN Program.

H. A waitlist is not maintained. Applicants who do not receive an offer of admission may reapply are subject to conditions of the admission policy in effect at the time of application.