Please read all of the information carefully in order to understand the admission criteria and process. There have been changes made to the admission criteria for Fall 2015 consideration.

Enclosed in this packet are the admission requirements for the PN program as well as information regarding the technical standards and other information related to this program. If you should have any questions or need any additional information, you are encouraged to contact us at 910-296-2451 or email Mary Mical, Administrative Assistant for Health Education at mmical@jamessprunt.edu or Tara Rich at trich@jamessprunt.edu.

**Application Deadline for Fall 2015 is February 1, 2015**

Completed applications submitted after the deadline may be considered if space is available.

Interested students who do not have a valid social security number should contact the Health Education Department Head at 910-296-2450 to discuss possible program restrictions before applying to the nursing or medical assisting programs.

This information supersedes all previously published information.
Admission Criteria for the JSCC Practical Nursing Program at JSCC
for Fall 2015

In order to be considered for admission to the Practical Nursing Program at JSCC, the applicant must have a current application on file and meet all admission criteria by February 1st of each year for consideration for fall entry.

The following admission criteria will be used to select applicants to the PN Program for Fall 2015. There have been changes made, so please read carefully in order to meet the current minimum criteria.

1. Complete Current or Updated JSCC school application & designate PN as major. You can only designate one health education program. You may come in and pick up an application in the Admissions Department located in the Strickland Building or complete the on-line application if you are a new student. (If you are currently enrolled as a student at JSCC and have already selected PN as your major, then you have a current application on file.)

2. Take the COMPASS placement test. Call Student Services @ 910-296-2500 to register for test. You must either be exempt from Basic General Education Courses or have completed all of the required Basic General Education Courses with a grade of “C” or higher or pass grade, by the deadline to be eligible for admission consideration. Please refer to the JSCC College Catalog for additional information about placement tests. If placement tests were completed at another college, you will need to request that official scores be sent to our Admissions Office. Placement Test Scores will not be sent with the official transcript unless you specifically request for scores to be sent.

3. Submit official transcripts from all high schools/or GED Scores and colleges attended to Admissions Office in Strickland Building. If the transcripts are opened, they are not considered as official and will not be accepted.

4. Take the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS), Version V. You can order a study book and practice test from the website www.atitesting.com or contact our bookstore 910-296-2510 for information. If you take the TEAS test at JSCC, your official results will be on file in the Health Education Office. If you take the TEAS at another testing site, you must have an official sealed transcript sent to us by the deadline from your testing facility or electronically sent to us by ATI Testing.

Students are allowed to take the TEAS Version V only twice during a 12 month period. Test dates must be at least 2 months apart. Students begin their individual 12 month period on the date of the first testing. TEAS scores older than 5 years will not be accepted. We will only accept TEAS Version V scores.
Students are required to bring a government issued ID or Student ID with them when testing. Please contact Ms. Amber Ferrell at 910-296-2506 or the Health Education Department for additional information.

Applicants must score at the current National Average for Reading and Math for PN major. For Fall 2015 consideration, minimum scores are: Reading (63.7) and Math (60.3). There is currently not a minimum score for the Science and English components. Points are awarded for these areas of the test.

5. Complete high school or equivalent college biology course within ten (10) years of the program start date (8/2015) with a minimum grade of ‘C’ or above.

6. Complete high school or equivalent computer applications course within ten (10) years of the program start date (8/2015) with a minimum grade of “C” or above.

(For requirements #5 and #6, official transcripts must be on file in Admissions office by the deadline to verify completion of courses.)

7. Complete and submit the separate application and attached check list for the desired Nursing Program if you expect to meet all of the admission criteria by the February 1st deadline. If you are not expecting to complete the admission criteria, you will need to submit this after you complete the requirements. Applicants must complete all of the requirements and complete and submit the separate application and check list by the February 1st deadline in order to be considered for admission to the program. Failure to complete any of these seven (7) requirements as stated will result in the applicant being ineligible for program consideration. Separate Application and check off list are included in this packet. You must complete and submit both to the Health Education Department in McGowen Building in order to be considered. Incomplete applications will be returned to student. Only applicants submitting the separate Nursing Application will receive a written response regarding admission to the program.

Note: High School seniors may apply for provisional acceptance pending completion of high school requirements and graduation. High School seniors will need to take the TEAS prior to February 1st in order to be considered. High School students must also request to take the COMPASS Placement Tests with their high school guidance counselor and request the scores to be sent to James Sprunt. If students have taken the SAT or ACT, please contact our office for information. Interested High School Seniors are encouraged to contact the Health Education Office at 910-296-2451 for further information.

IMPORTANT: Completed and current JSCC school and separate nursing application, submission of all transcripts, TEAS scores, and placement test scores must be on file on or before February 1st for you to be considered for the fall class.
If there are more qualified applicants than seats available, selection will be made by the point system developed by the Health Education Admission Committee. Applicants completing all requirements after this deadline will be considered if space is available.

If not selected, applicants must reapply and complete all the admission requirements for the next fall admission period. Since admission criteria and process may be revised, it is important to contact the Health Education Department for updated information.

Please refer to the college catalog for additional information about the program requirements.

Reviewed and approved April 6, 2009
Revised March 14, 2013, April 1, 2014

Note: For Fall 2015 consideration, applicants will not be required to have current listing as NA 1 on North Carolina Nurse Aide I Registry. Applicants are encouraged to obtain this listing status and will be awarded points for admission consideration.
Nursing is a practice discipline with cognitive, sensory, affective and psychomotor performance requirements. For purposes of nursing program compliance with the 1990 Americans with Disability Act, a qualified individual with a disability is one who with or without reasonable accommodation or modification, meets the essential eligibility requirements for participation in the nursing programs.

If a student believes that he or she cannot meet nursing program requirements without accommodations or modifications, the nursing faculty will determine on an individual basis, whether or not the necessary accommodations or modifications can be reasonably made.

Admission to and progression in the nursing programs is not based on these standards. Rather, the standards should be used to assist each student in determining whether accommodations or modifications are necessary. Standards provide an objective measure upon which a student and the advisor base informed decisions regarding whether a student is “qualified” to meet requirements. It is the responsibility of the applicant to read the technical standards carefully and to ask for clarification of any standard that is not understood.

Technical Standards

Nursing students should possess and be able to demonstrate the following:

**Critical Thinking**: critical thinking skills sufficient for clinical judgment. 
*For example, nursing students must be able to identify cause-effect relationships in actual or simulated clinical situations; analyze data, develop or participate in the development of nursing care plans.*

**Communication**: communication abilities sufficient for interaction with others in both verbal and written form.
*For example, nursing students must be able to explain treatment procedures, initiate health teaching, document and interpret nursing actions and patient/client responses.*

**Interpersonal skills**: interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, and groups from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.
*For example, nursing students must be able to establish rapport with patients/clients, families and colleagues.*
**Mobility**: physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room and maneuver in small spaces. For example, nursing students must move around patient/client’s rooms, work spaces and treatment areas; administer cardiopulmonary procedures.

**Motor skills**: gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care. For example, move, calibrate and use equipment and supplies; lift, transfer and position mobile and immobile patients/clients.

**Auditory ability**: auditory ability sufficient to assess and monitor health needs for assessment and observation of patients. For example, nursing students must be able to hear monitor alarms, emergency signals, auscultatory sounds and cries for help.

**Visual ability**: visual ability sufficient for physical assessment, performance of nursing procedures and maintenance of environmental safety. For example, nursing students must be able to observe patient/client responses such as skin color, facial expression and specimen color.

**Tactile ability**: tactile ability sufficient for physical assessment, performance of nursing procedures. For example, nursing students must be able to perform palpation, functions of physical examination and/or those related to therapeutic intervention, e.g. insertion of catheters.

**Emotional stability and mental alertness**: emotion stability and mental alertness sufficient in performing nursing care. For example, maintain a calm and efficient manner in high stress situations with patient/clients, families and colleagues.

**Occupational exposure**: nursing students must possess the ability to protect self and others by implementing appropriate precautions due to possible exposure to communicable disease and/or body fluids and toxic substances such as antiseptics and medications.

**Physical stamina**: Students must be able to work for 8-12 hours performing physical tasks requiring sufficient strength and motor coordination without jeopardy to patient and student safety.

**EXAMPLES ARE NOT ALL INCLUSIVE**
Addional Requirements and Information for PN Program

The following information and requirements do not affect the admission selection process, and do not need to be completed unless accepted for the program.

This information is provided at this time in order to assist you with the planning process. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact our office at (910) 296-2450. After provisionally accepted, students will be required to complete the following:

1. **Complete CPR Certification** and maintain current certification during the program. The only level of CPR Certification that is accepted is the *American Heart Association - Health Care Provider Level*.

2. **Complete a Criminal Background Check and Drug Screening after beginning the program.** Instructions and information is provided to students during the first day of the program regarding how to complete this requirement for the nursing program. We do not use the Criminal Background Check or drug screening information for admission consideration. However, if a clinical agency denies student placement based on review of the results, the student will be unable to participate in the clinical portion of the course and will be unable to progress in the program.

3. **Complete current physical examination and required immunizations and lab testing.** Information is provided to provisionally accepted students when selections are made.

Listed below are estimated additional expenses for program.

- You will be required to purchase student liability insurance required for the clinical experiences. The cost is expected to be $15.00 fall semester.

- Our students are required to participate in the Comprehensive Assessment and Review Program (CARP) every semester. The cost is expected to be approximately $210 for the first semester and $180 for the other semesters.

- Medical supplies/equipment and uniforms are required for participation in the PN program. Estimated cost for these is between $250-$350.

- Book costs will vary depending upon which courses you will need to take. For the first nursing course, the estimated cost is between $700-$900. The remaining semesters will be less.

- Students will need to provide their own transportation to the clinical areas. Clinical times may be morning, afternoon, or evening hours.

- Cost for NCLEX-LPN application and license is estimated at $350.

(Students receiving financial aid may be able to charge some of the expenses listed above. Some of the charges such as drug screening, criminal background checks, physical examinations and immunizations, CPR certification cannot be charged to financial aid. For more information regarding anticipated costs, please contact our office at 910-296-2451)
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*Effective Fall 2010*
Checklist for
Practical Nursing Program Application

Fall 2015

(Complete and submit this form with application directly to the Health Education Department Office, Room 171, in McGowen Building)

Name ___________________________ Date Submitted _____________________

Listed below are the Nursing Program Prerequisites that must be completed by February 1, 2015 in order to be considered for the Practical Program at JSCC for Fall 2015 entry. Refer to packet for additional information about the requirements.

We recommend that you do not submit this application unless you anticipate completing all of the requirements by the deadline. Applicants who complete the requirements after February 1st may be considered if space is available. Initial each requirement if completed, sign in the designated space on the back and submit this form with your application.

Applicants will need to:

[ ] 1. Have current completed JSCC School Application with Practical Nursing (PN) designated as major on file in Admissions Office.

[ ] 2. Have met the placement test requirements. (Have official placement scores on file in Admissions Office and either exempt or have completed Basic General Education Courses with a grade of “C” or higher.)

[ ] 3. Have official transcripts from all high schools/or GED Scores and colleges attended on file in Admissions Office.

[ ] 4. Have met the TEAS requirements for PN program and have official TEAS Version V scores on record in Health Education Department. Testing Date _____________ Location of Testing Site ________________

[ ] 5. Have completed high school or equivalent college biology within ten (10) years of the program start date (8/2015) with a minimum grade of ‘C’ or above.
6. Have completed high school or equivalent computer applications within ten (10) years of the program start date (8/2015) with a minimum grade of ‘C’ or above.

7. Have completed and submitted this program separate nursing application and checklist to the Health Education Office.

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If not selected, applicants must reapply and meet all of the current requirements for the PN program in order to be considered for the following fall semester.

Signature

To the best of my knowledge all of the requirements for program consideration have been met.

Signature ____________________________  Date __________________________

Return completed Application and Checklist to:
JSCC, Health Education Department
P.O. Box 398
Kenansville, NC  28349
PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION
for Fall 2015
(Applicants must submit this application in order to be considered.)

Please type or print clearly with a pen.

Personal Information

Name

________________________________________________________________________

Last     First    Middle

Mailing address

(Street or PO Box #)    City                       State        Zip Code

Home telephone (_____)_____________________ Work/Cell (____) _______________

JSCC ID # _________________________  Email _______________________________

Educational Information

Please list in order all schools, colleges, and universities you have attended. Official transcripts from each institution must be sent directly to the Admissions Office at JSCC.

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Where did you graduate or expect to graduate from high school. Official transcripts from any high school attended must be sent directly to the Admissions Office at JSCC.

________________________________________________________________________

high school     city, state       year
**Previous Nursing Education**
Have you ever been admitted or enrolled in a nursing program? [  ] Yes [  ] No

If so, where and when? ____________________________________________

**License/ Certifications**
List any license or certification that you currently hold. _________________________

**General Education Requirements**

Please list only the courses you are currently taking or will take prior to Fall 2015. *If you are taking courses at other colleges, you will need to have official updated transcripts sent to the Admissions Office prior to February 1*.  

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*Attach a separate sheet if necessary.*

**Signature**

To the best of my knowledge all the information provided on this application is accurate.

Signature ________________________________ Date _________________________

Date received in Health Education Office ________________________________