PROGRAM SIZE

- 80 positions are available each fall. We currently accept 60 RN/ADN’s and 20 LPN’s. (LPN number may change Fall 2013)
- Both programs are very competitive. Students who have the minimum requirements for admission are **not** guaranteed admission.
- Counseling can assist with selecting the courses that will improve your chances for being accepted into either of our nursing programs.
- Beginning Fall 2012 admissions cycle, we will be phasing in a new admissions formula.
WHY ARE THINGS CHANGING?

• Improving the admissions process to address the following concerns:
  • Improving time to degree/certificate completion
  • Maximizing the use of financial aid towards the appropriate classes
  • Eliminating the need for students to take additional coursework beyond the program
  • Providing qualified and prepared students who will have the greatest likelihood of success in the nursing program
## COMPARISON OF THE ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

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- Cumulative GPA
- Pre-requisites completed
- Lab Sciences (including core courses and additional lab courses)
Proposed Timeline

- **Fall 2012 Admissions**
  - Traditional formula used for 40 RN and 13 LPN
  - New formula used for 20 RN and 7 LPN

- **Fall 2013 Admissions**
  - Traditional formula used for 20 RN and 7 LPN
  - New formula used for 40 RN and 13 LPN

- **Fall 2014 Admissions**
  - All students utilize the new formula
WHICH FORMULA SHOULD I USE?

**Traditional formula**
- For students who have been taking classes, including science courses, to increase their score on this index
- For students with 3-4 years of high school lab science
- For transfer students with a number of college lab sciences already completed

**New formula**
- Students just beginning to pursue the nursing program
- Students with old coursework that might impact their overall GPA
- Students who were limited in their high school science
- Everyone who is on the stand-by list for the traditional formula will automatically be scored in the new formula
See a counselor!
Call 224-0360 to make an appointment.

Your counselor will evaluate where you are and provide you with information to assist you in selecting which formula is best for you.
TIMELINES—FALL 2012

Traditional formula
- Letter of intent:
  - September 1-December 1
- Documents due:
  - January 13
- Notification:
  - End of February
- Pre-nursing assessment:
  - April
- Registration
  - June

New formula
- Letter of intent:
  - February 16-March 15
- Documents due:
  - March 30
- Pre-nursing assessment:
  - April
- Notification:
  - May (after final grades posted for spring)
- Registration
  - June
DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

Submit these Items by the deadline
• Official High School Transcripts
• Official GED Scores (if applicable)
• Official College Transcripts from all institutions attended
• Placement Test Completion
• CNA Proof of Certification
• ALL ABOVE ITEMS ARE SUBMITTED TO OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS & RECORDS
NEW ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

Students will be admitted based on the sum of the following:

- Weighted scores on the Pre-Nursing Assessment
- Core Course Grade Points
- Completion Points

Scores will be totaled and ranked

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PRE-NURSING ASSESSMENT EXAM

- Students will take a 3rd party pre-nursing entrance exam (Fall 2012 and Fall 2013—A2 HESI exam)
- All students will take the exam in April in the IVCC Assessment Center
- Students must pay the cashier for the test before they will be able to take the test (estimated cost $32)
- Standardized test based on content area scores in grammar, vocabulary, anatomy, math, and reading comprehension
- Test may be taken only one time per year
- Maximum of 24 points

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CORE COURSE GRADE POINTS

- RN/ADN track:
  - Grade points for BIO 1007, BIO 1008 and BIO 1009, ALH 1000 and ALH 1002 divided by 2.5
  - Maximum 28.8 points

- LPN track:
  - Grade points in BIO 1200, ALH 1200 and ALH 1002
  - Grade points will be divided by 1.5
  - Maximum 24 points

**Only for courses completed with a C or better within the past 7 years**

**Effective Fall 2013, all LPN students will be required to complete the same core courses as the RN/ADN students**

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COMPLETION POINTS

- RN/ADN track:
  - Students will receive 4 points for each of the following classes completed at the time of evaluation: BIO 1007, BIO 1008, BIO 1009, ALH 1000 and ALH 1002
  - **Only for courses completed with a C or better within the past 7 years**
  - Maximum 20 points

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COMPLETION POINTS

- LPN track:
  - Students will receive 4 points for each of the following classes completed at the time of evaluation: BIO 1200, ALH 1200 and ALH 1002.
  - **Only for courses completed with a C or better within the past 7 years**
  - **Effective Fall 2013, all LPN students will be required to complete the same core courses as the RN/ADN students**

- Maximum 12 points

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CNA COMPLETION

- Proof of current IL certification is required.
- CNA class must be completed by Spring semester prior to first NUR course.
- CNA Registry Website:
  www.idph.state.il.us/nar/home.htm
CNA COMPLETION

- If cert. is older than three years at the time of evaluation, proof of hours worked (1020) during last three years must be submitted.
  - Hours must be documented from a place of employment.
  - Students who do not have the hours worked and are still located on the CNA registry can take the CNA refresher course.
  - Students who do not have the hours worked and are not located on the CNA registry must retake the CNA course.
  - Hours must verify performance of 21 basic CNA skills. CNA’s in nursing homes and hospitals traditionally meet this requirement. Home care and doctor’s offices traditionally do not.
RESIDENCY

- Preference is given to those applicants who are legal residents of IVCC district #513.
- Due to the competitiveness of the nursing program, we have not been able to admit out-of-district applicants in recent years.
- Residency is defined as living in IVCC’s district for 30 days prior to submitting your Letter of Intent.
- Dual admissions agreements do not imply residency for limited admissions programs.
- If a student works full time in district, they will be considered district residents.
PROOF OF RESIDENCY

- Students must provide proof of residency as part of their file completion (traditional and new formula)
- Students should be able to provide one or more of the following:
  - Voter registration in District 513
  - Evidence of tax, utility or rent receipts in District 513
  - Driver's license and/or vehicle registration showing an address in District 513
  - Other documents which can help verify residency in District 513
  - A student who resides with his or her parents or guardian in Community College District 513 is a resident student.
ADDITIONAL KEY INFORMATION

- Strategies for College is recommended for the new formula
- Effective Fall 2013, all LPN students will be required to complete the same core courses as RN/ADN students
- Students will be limited to 2 attempts (including withdrawals) within 7 years on core courses
  - Most recent letter grade of the first two attempts will be used for the calculation of the formula score
PLACEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- All students must complete or test out of the following coursework: MTH 0906, RED 1008 and ENG 0900
- Information on placement testing can be found at www.ivcc.edu/assessment
- Students considering a BSN will need additional math (MTH 1008)
- Placement testing is free. There is a cost to re-take any portion of the test
- Placement testing is not required in situations where students have transfer credit in the appropriate areas
ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK

• Students also must complete general education courses as part of the degree or certificate program.

• It is highly recommended that these are completed before starting the program to maximize performance in the NUR courses.

• These courses include:
  • RN/ADN: ENG 1001, ENG 1002, PSY 1000, SOC 1000
  • LPN: ENG 1001, PSY 1000
  • ALH 1202 is strongly recommended

• Students who fail to complete the general education courses by the point of graduation will not be allowed to take the licensure examination (NCLEX) or graduate with the class.
SELECTING A PROGRAM

- Students will be allowed to apply for both programs and indicate a preference
- Students should discuss their options with a counselor
- LPN students who wish to return as RN’s for Advanced Placement must meet the following criteria:
  - Employment for a minimum of one year
  - All RN general education courses complete
  - In good standing with the college and the RN program
  - Students applying will be rank ordered based on GPA and date of Advanced Placement request
DRUG TESTING REQUIREMENT

All admitted students will be required to pass a drug test. Failure to undergo or pass the drug test will result in dismissal from the program. Students are responsible for paying the fee for the test.
# NURSING PROGRAM PASS RATES 2010

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